

**Subject:** Local Council Tax Support Grant for Town & Parish Councils  
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Dear Mrs Jackman,

Previously when I have attended the Local Councils Liaison Committee I have promised to keep you informed of any developments in Local Council Tax Support Grants. Last Thursday the Finance Cabinet Committee considered the grant reductions for 2014/15 and 2015/16 that are currently part of a consultation by the DCLG. The Committee felt that reductions in this Council's grant should be reflected in the grant paid to local councils and this would mean a reduction of 13.6% in 2014/15 and a further reduction of 14.1% in 2015/16.

These reductions should not be taken as final and definite as the reductions we are facing may change as a result of the consultation. However, to allow you and your colleagues to start reviewing your own budgets as early as possible I thought it best to write to you now to make you aware of the likely magnitude of the reductions. I will be attending the next meeting of your committee in November but would be grateful if you could share the contents of this email with your colleagues on other town and parish councils before then.

Kind regards

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