

Community Governance Review

Liberal Democrat proposal for Stage 2

Stage 1 Options

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| A. | → Create a new Town Council covering the whole of the Northampton area where no Parish/Community Councils currently exist;¶ |
| B. | → Create a new Town Council for a part of Northampton including the town centre, the area covered by the Parliamentary Constituency of Northampton South; or¶ |
| C. | → Do not create a Town Council and leave the current unparished area as it is now.¶ |

Stage 2 Lib Dem proposals.

Assumption that NBC will still wish to consult with the public during stage 2 on new arrangements in Non Parished areas following the demise of NBC i.e. Option c to Not create a town council as detailed in option C.

The Liberal Democrat Group would want to see the following option as part part of the stage 2 consultation.

Create a new Town Council, with a maximum initial Council Tax for a D band property of £12 pa, covering the whole of the Northampton area where no Parish / Community Councils currently exist
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Information to be provided as part of the consultation process.

- If Northampton does not set up new local government arrangements, following the demise of NBC, then c70% of households will find themselves with no local authority to support them.
- If a Town council is established, with minimum council tax contribution, then the new Council can negotiate with the new Unitary council to devolve budgets to deliver more locally organised service. In the longer term establish if there are services that Northampton residents would want to pay for over and above the Unitary Council Tax precept.
- The proposed for a maximum initial precept for the new Town Council of £12 pa would mean that households would continue to pay a similar amount as they pay in 2019/20. (Special expenses £11.60)

Schedules					
Schedule A	(1) Council Tax Base	(2) Parish Precept and Special Expenses £	(3) Parish Precept and Special Expenses Charge £	(4) Basic Amount of Council Tax excluding Special Expenses £	(5) Basic Amount of Council Tax including Special Expenses £
Area:					
Billing	2,895	193,858	69.12	218.08	285.18
Collegiate	528	21,192	40.10	218.08	258.18
Duston	5,583	503,363	90.49	218.08	308.55
Great Houghton	295	20,738	70.34	218.08	288.40
Hardingsstone	816	41,942	51.24	218.08	267.40
Upton	2,724	39,690	14.61	218.08	232.67
Wootton	2,990	201,499	67.61	218.08	285.67
East Hansbury	3,610	213,118	62.42	218.08	278.49
Hansbury/Haddons	898	24,700	27.69	218.08	243.86
West Hansbury	1,862	32,392	19.49	218.08	235.55
Unparished Area	46,618	540,891	11.09	218.08	227.66
	68,419	1,838,459			