

# LUDLOW TOWN COUNCIL

## BUDGET FIGURES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2006-2007

Ludlow Town Council will raise **£231,325** through the Council Tax  
This equates to **£65.56** per household for Band 'D' property. In 2005/06  
it was £63.42.

Outlined below is the Town Council's projected income and expenditure:

| Committee                     | Service                             | Budget<br>2006/07 | Budget<br>2005/06 | Change           |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Finance & General<br>Purposes | General<br>Administration           | 37,100.00         | 35,670.00         | 1,430.00         |
|                               | Staff Costs                         | 226,800.00        | 133,150.00        | 93,650.00        |
|                               | Civic Ceremonial                    | 7,950.00          | 9,650.00          | -1,700.00        |
|                               | Community Grants                    | 22,125.00         | 24,400.00         | -2,275.00        |
|                               | Projects                            | 8,500.00          | 19,000.00         | -10,500.00       |
|                               | Property                            | -22,000.00        | -18,450.00        | -3,550.00        |
|                               | Capital                             | 37,700.00         | 40,000.00         | -2,300.00        |
|                               | Markets & Community<br>Regeneration | Markets           | -106,400.00       | -90,450.00       |
| Tourism                       |                                     | 6,900.00          | 6,650.00          | 250.00           |
| Capital                       |                                     |                   | 3,000.00          | -3,000.00        |
| Planning & Development        | Street Lighting                     | 24,000.00         | 20,100.00         | 3,900.00         |
|                               | Street Furniture                    | 5,000.00          | 3,500.00          | 1,500.00         |
| Amenities                     | Cemetery                            | -11,100.00        | 13,430.00         | -24,530.00       |
|                               | Allotments                          | -600.00           | -600              | 0.00             |
|                               | Amenity Areas                       | -12,500.00        | 16,515.00         | -29,015.00       |
|                               | Linney Park                         | -6,850.00         | 1,700.00          | -8,550.00        |
|                               | Direct Labour Force                 | 14,700.00         |                   | 14,700.00        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                 |                                     | <b>231,325.00</b> | <b>217,265.00</b> | <b>14,060.00</b> |

### Precept Comparisons

| Date      | Precept    | Band D | D % Increase | Tax Base |
|-----------|------------|--------|--------------|----------|
| 2001-2001 | 152,970.00 | 46.97  | 1.98         | 3,256.13 |
| 2001-2002 | 156,350.00 | 46.96  | -0.02        | 3,328.78 |
| 2002-2003 | 160,207.00 | 47.76  | 1.70         | 3,353.80 |
| 2003-2004 | 176,100.00 | 51.59  | 8.02         | 3,413.70 |
| 2004-2005 | 217,265.00 | 61.82  | 19.83        | 3,514.50 |
| 2005-2006 | 223,780.00 | 63.42  | 3.00         | 3528.40  |
| 2006-2007 | 231,325.00 | 65.56  | 3.37         | 3514.50  |

**Message from the Mayor of Ludlow:** When your Council Tax bill for 2006-2007 drops through your letterbox, please remember that your Town Council only receives a small portion of the total bill you're asked to pay.

Most households in Ludlow will be paying £65.56 or less for the next financial year to fund the services that Ludlow Town Council provides. That's under £5.50 a month – less than £1.26 a week for most residents.

The rest of your Council Tax bill goes to the County Council, to South Shropshire District Council, and to the Fire and Police Authorities to help pay for the services they provide.

For the second year running, Ludlow Town Council is only increasing its share of your Council Tax bill by a sum that has been calculated to cover the rise in its costs that is caused by inflation.

**What is the Town Council?** – The Town Council is the most local level of government and has the same status as a parish council. Its main responsibilities include the management of Ludlow Market, Henley Road Cemetery, providing and maintaining street lighting, managing and maintaining a variety of open recreational spaces, organising civic events and representing the local community through lobbying and consultation.

**Who is on the Town Council?** – There are 15 Councillors elected every 4 years to represent the 7 Town Wards. The Council's administration is run by a team of 3 full time and 2 part time Officers.

**When and where does the Town Council meet?** – Meetings are normally held at the Bishop Mascall Centre and a list of meeting dates is available from the Buttercross.

**How does the public know what is to be discussed?** – Agendas are displayed in the Buttercross notice board and are available at Ludlow Library & Museum Resource Centre.

**Can the public attend meetings and speak at meetings?** – All Council meetings are open to the public and there is an item on each agenda when members of the public can address the Town Council on issues relating to the Town.

### **TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEES:**

**Planning & Development** – Meets once every two weeks and is a Statutory Consultee on planning and licence applications. The Committee also comments on all structural, development, transport and environmental plans and policies or strategies that have an impact on the town.

**Finance & General Purposes** – Meets monthly. Responsibilities include the determining and monitoring of the annual budget, policy formulation, staff management, grants, donations, civic and ceremonial functions, insurance, risk assessment, Health & Safety and the 512 street lights. It also manages the portfolio of council property, land and buildings.

**Amenities** – Meets bi-monthly. Responsibilities include the twelve amenity areas, Henley Road Cemetery and the development of the Wigleys Field Allotments. In partnership with other authorities it helps maintain seating, bus shelters and other street furniture.

**Markets & Community Regeneration** – Meets bi-monthly. Responsibilities include the management and promotion of the market and the promotion and enhancement of Ludlow in partnership with other groups.

**Initiatives that the Town Council is Involved in** – Market Towns Initiative Strategy & Action Plan, Ludlow Marches Partnership, Ludlow in Bloom, Late Night Ludlow and Christmas Lights, Ludlow Festival, Ludlow Town Plan, Ludlow Town Design Statement and Cittàslow Ludlow.

The Town Council welcomes your views on all the services provided. You can contact your local councillor, attend all Council meetings and speak directly to the committee if you wish.

### **BRINGEWOOD WARD**

|                     |                                       |              |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Cllr Kemp</b>    | The Bridge Inn, Corve Street, SY8 1DX | 01584 872963 |
| <b>Cllr Newbold</b> | 3 Teme Avenue, SY8 1NY                | 01584 876400 |

### **CLEE VIEW WARD**

|                       |   |              |
|-----------------------|---|--------------|
| <b>Cllr Davies</b>    | 42 Stanton Road, SY8 2PI                      | 01584 873013 |
| <b>Cllr Mrs Glaze</b> | 3 Friars Field, Weeping Cross Lane<br>SY8 1JJ | 01584 874817 |

### **CORVE WARD**

|                  |  |              |
|------------------|--|--------------|
| <b>Cllr Kidd</b> | 12 Corve Street, SY8 1DA                 | 01584 877946 |
| <b>Cllr Mold</b> | Quality Cottage, Quality Square, SY8 1AR | 01584 873201 |

### **GALLOWS BANK WARD**

|                      |  |              |
|----------------------|--|--------------|
| <b>Cllr Owen</b>     | The Old Clinic, Dinham, SY8 1EJ                    | 01584 879159 |
| <b>Cllr Ward</b>     | Springmeadows, Livesey Road, SY8 1EZ               | 01584 875701 |
| <b>Cllr Williams</b> | 3 Old Bell Cottages, Park Road<br>Ludford, SY8 1PP | 01584 877913 |

### **HAYTON WARD**

|                      |  |              |
|----------------------|--|--------------|
| <b>Cllr Fuller</b>   | Trotter House, 102 Corve Street, SY8 1EB | 01584 877982 |
| <b>Cllr Holcombe</b> | 41 Gravel Hill, SY8 1QR                  | 01584 876955 |

### **ROCKSPRING WARD**

|                      |                             |              |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Cllr Burgoyne</b> | 88 Sandpits Avenue, SY8 1SY | 07971 329444 |
| <b>Cllr Orsborn</b>  | 64 Sandpits Avenue, SY8 1TB | 01584 878042 |

### **WHITCLIFFE WARD**

|                           |                              |              |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Cllr Smithers</b>      | 2 St Stephens Close, SY8 1QQ | 01584 873049 |
| <i>Councillor Vacancy</i> |                              |              |

### **The Town Council staff are:**

|                            |                |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| Town Clerk                 | Paul Russell   |
| Community Services Officer | Dick Harpur    |
| Market & Tourism Manager   | Roy Guestford  |
| Administrative Officer     | Hannah Coleman |
| Market Assistant           | Heidi Pugh     |

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