

Teignmouth Town Council



Budget & Precept FAQ 2020-2021

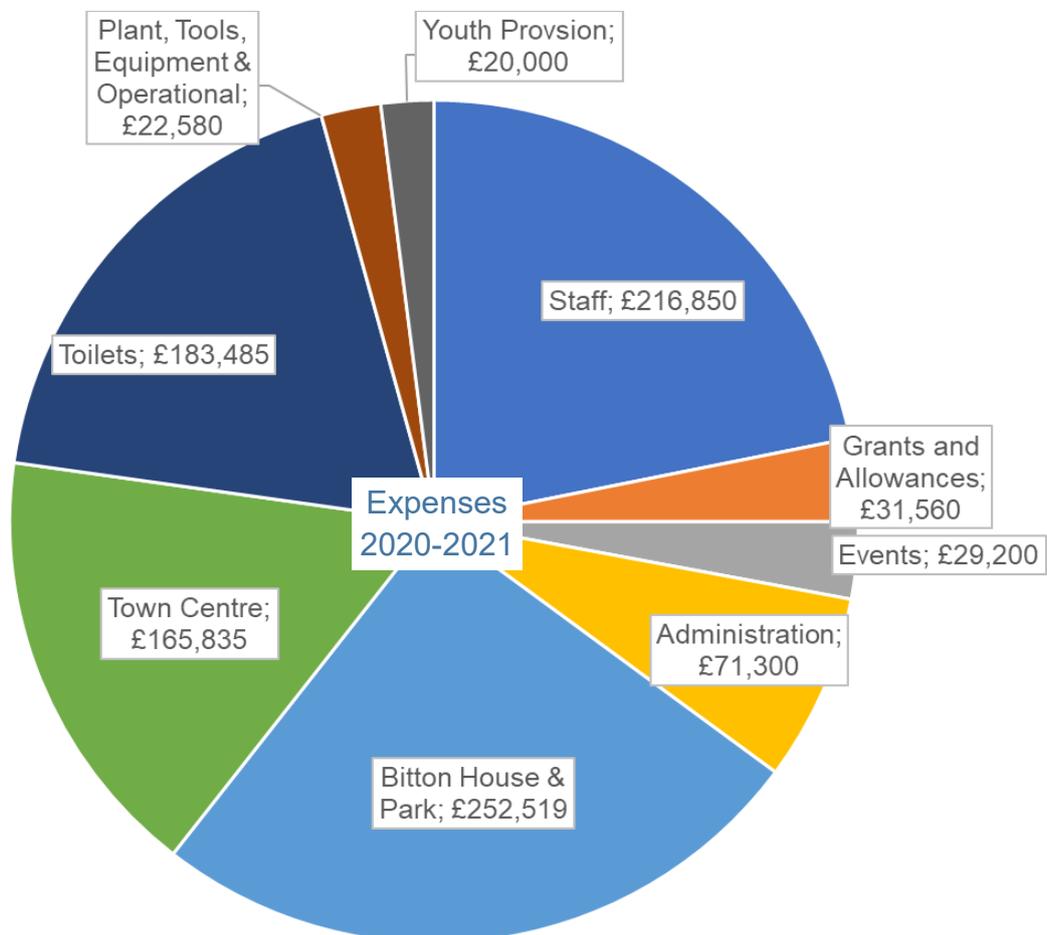
Overview 2020-2021

Income	Budget
Precept	£727,273
Total Income (all sources)	£118,056
Earmarked Reserves	£148,000
	£993,329

Expense	Budget
Staff	£216,850
Grants and Allowances	£31,560
Events	£29,200
Administration	£71,300
Bitton House & Park	£252,519
Town Centre	£165,835
Toilets	£183,485
Plant, Tools, Equipment & Operational	£22,580
Youth Provsion	£20,000
	£993,329

Band D charge per annum*	£134.34
Band D increase over 2019/20	40.43%

* based on 5,413.7 Band D dwellings



Frequently Asked Questions

Income

What is...

...Precept?

Precept is the total amount of money that Teignmouth Town Council receives from the rate-payers of Teignmouth, as part of the Council Taxes collected by the local District Council each year.

...Total Income?

The Total Income listed on the previous page is the total of all the other monies raised by Teignmouth Town Council from sources other than our Precept. This includes things like rental income for the office-space at Bitton House, the charges raised for constructing memorial benches, and monies paid to us by other Local Authorities to administer and provide services in the town—such as running the town centre public toilets & cutting the grass verges.

...Earmarked Reserves?

Earmarked reserves are not strictly income—they are monies that Teignmouth Town Council has raised over previous years and put aside for specific expenses in future years. The Earmarked Reserves this year are being used to offset some of the 'big ticket' expenses that are due in 2020-2021, such as the updates to the Town Centre CCTV (which helps keep the town safe and secure) and the renovations to Bitton House (an important historical asset for the town).

Expense

What is...

...Staff?

Staff is the cost for just that—the staff employed by Teignmouth Town Council. It's more than just salaries though, it's also pension contributions, PAYE taxes, National Insurance, and valuable training courses to ensure our staff are able to deliver the best service possible for the people of Teignmouth.

...Grants and Allowances?

Teignmouth Town Council offers grants to local groups and individuals who do good work in the town, and those are accounted for here. There is also a small allowance for the Town Mayor, to reimburse them for costs incurred in undertaking their civic duties.

...Events?

The various events that we put on every year are accounted for here—everything from the Christmas Light Switch-On to Armed Forces Day and the programme of summer entertainment in the town centre and on our seafront promenade.

Frequently Asked Questions

Expense (continued)

What is...

...Administration?

Administration is everything from office supplies to advertising, as well as including things like insurances and our internal & external annual audits (which are a vital part of keeping Local Authorities transparent and accountable).

...Bitton House & Park?

The campus at Bitton Park contains valuable assets to the town, as well as being one itself. The expenses here include Bitton House, Bitton Park, and the Orangery, and covers everything to repair & maintain them, as well as more mundane expenses such as utility bills and waste disposal.

...Town Centre?

This covers all the expenses incurred in general maintenance to the town centre, such as cleaning and vergecutting, as well as the cost of running and updating our CCTV system.

...Toilets?

Teignmouth Town Council administers six public toilet facilities throughout Teignmouth, and the costs for running and maintaining them is accounted for here. The costs for five of the six sites are partially offset by funding of £70k received from Teignbridge District Council each year.

...Plant, Tools, Equipment & Operational?

To perform all the services that Teignmouth Town Council provides, tools and equipment of all shapes and sizes are required. Everything from power tools to vehicles is accounted for here, as well as maintenance of them to ensure their long life and by extension best value for the taxpayer.

...Youth Provision?

Developing the youth of Teignmouth into young adults able to fulfil their tremendous potential is of paramount importance to Teignmouth Town Council, and with that in mind a Youth Provision was set up in 2019. This budget is to enable that provision to carry on into 2020-2021, and continue to benefit the youth of the town.