



ST STEPHEN

PARISH

COUNCIL

## Statement regarding Parish Precept

**St Stephen Parish Council represents and serves the villages of Bricket Wood, Chiswell Green and Park Street, which is around 6,000 households.**

98% of the Council Tax that you pay goes to Herts County Council, St Albans District Council and the Herts Police and Crime Commissioner.

Only 2% goes to the Parish which means on average we pay £6.12 per household per month. This year's increase amounts to 0.3% of our total Council Tax bill and whilst a significant percentage, in fact it represents an average of only 94p per month.

So in 2020/21 we will be paying approx £7.06 per month for the Parish Council to manage and maintain 5 buildings, 7 parks/open spaces, 2 woodlands, 9 sports pitches and 6 playgrounds for all of us, as well as undertaking tasks such as litter picking and dog waste removal. The increase is needed both to maintain these assets for us all and to hold reserves for times such as these.

These facilities and services, support our community's health and wellbeing; in normal times our meeting spaces enable clubs and societies to meet regularly for social, sports and educational purposes. The Parish also make grants and donations to a variety of local organisations, as well as organising a significant number of community events.

The full list of assets that the Parish Council manages is shown below.

### **Cllr. Dorothy Kerry - Chair, St Stephen Parish Council**

#### **Community buildings**

Greenwood Park  
community centre  
Greenwood Park Pavilion  
Park Street Pavilion  
Parish Centre  
Parish Centre Barn

Parish centre field  
Woodbury field  
North Close  
Mayflower Road  
Cherry Hill

#### **Woodland**

Blackgreen wood  
St Juliens wood

#### **Parks and open spaces**

Greenwood Park  
Park Street recreation  
ground

#### **Sports pitches**

*Greenwood Park*

1 Cricket Square  
3 Senior Football Pitches  
1 Junior/9 v 9 Football  
Pitch  
1 Mini/5 v 5 Football Pitch  
*Park Street*  
1 Cricket Square  
1 Senior Football Pitch  
1 9 v 9 Football Pitch

#### **Allotments**

5 Park Street Lane (4 split)

25 Midway (6 split)  
44 Tippendell Lane (9  
split)

#### **Children's Play Areas**

Cherry Hill  
Greenwood Park  
Mayflower Road  
Park Street  
Woodbury Field  
North Close

For further details see [www.ststephenparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.ststephenparishcouncil.gov.uk) or call the Clerk 01923 681443