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## **BUDGET CONSULTATION BEGINS**

Residents can have their say on Folkestone & Hythe District Council's draft budget proposal for spending in 2022/23.

The council will agree the proposed £18m spend on services for the new financial year at the full council meeting on 23 February 2022. The services include leisure facilities, maintaining parks and gardens, providing social housing, keeping streets clean, emptying bins (approximately 2.5m a year) and dealing with planning applications.

Specific projects include the resurfacing of the Radnor Park footpath (£40,000), provision of fisherman's-style huts for rent on the Stade (£100,000), and an extra toilet cleaner's van for a new toilet cleaner position (£20,000). There will also be investment (£60,000) into payment options for car parking in the district (for example, contactless or automatic number plate recognition).

The budget has been worked out on a proposed 1.99% increase in F&HDC's share of the council tax.

To comment on the proposals and view the detailed supporting documents, please visit <a href="https://www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/consultations/budgetconsultation">https://www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/consultations/budgetconsultation</a>

All comments should be received by 1 February 2022.

## **ENDS**

## **Notes to Editors:**

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