

Press Release – 25 January 2010

Frome Town Council agrees no increase in the Council Tax precept

Frome Town Council unanimously agreed at its meeting on 20 January not to increase the amount it receives from Council Tax payers in Frome for the next financial year.

Chairman of the Council and Town Mayor, Cllr Damon Hooton said:

“Frome has weathered the recession better than many towns. We decided to continue to support local people by not increasing our call on their Council Tax by agreeing not to increase the precept for 2010/11. With our careful budget and plans for the year ahead, the people of Frome can be assured that they are getting excellent value for money.

“We have had a great year with many achievements. These include hosting the Tour of Britain cycle race, the Cobble Wobble, Velojam and installing new skate ramps and restoring the cafe in Victoria Park. Our plans for next year will continue the theme of offering a high level of service to and facilities within the town.

“We shall continue to invest in Victoria Park and Mary Baily Playing Field, explore how we can contribute towards reducing Frome's carbon footprint as well as promoting Frome throughout Somerset and beyond. The Town Council will continue to be the voice of the town on planning, working with local people to help protect important buildings in the town and improve design of new ones. A key part of our programme is a new community grants scheme just one way we will be supporting economic development and regeneration issues for Frome.

“Frome Town Council will continue to do all it can to work for and with local people to make Frome a better place”