Redruth Town Council Precept Information for Council Tax Bills Financial Year 2015-2016

Dear Resident

In what continues to be turbulent time financially for local councils, the Town Council has endeavoured to set a budget that we believe continues to meet the needs of the community. Regretfully, Cornwall Council looking at making savings themselves has made a decision not to fund the library service in the future. The Town Council recognises that this service is well used and provides a range of significant benefits to the community. Having surveyed a large number of the electorate we believe that it is in the community interests to continue to provide this service and as such the library will become part of the Town Council's services in the coming year. Unfortunately it is an extremely costly service to provide and this has meant a substantially larger than normal increase in your Council Tax for 2017-2018.

Sensible budgeting, and smaller increases over the last couple of years has enabled us to meet the challenges of taking over other services devolved from Cornwall Council and has allowed us for this year to continue to use some of this funding to continue with the provision of the public realm CCTV; public toilets; Redruth Community Centre; parks and play areas. In addition we continue to invest in other services and event management ensuring that Redruth is always to the fore.

Detailed below is the expenditure needed to carry this out work including the library, and will be delivered with an increase for 2017-18 of £48.34 (93p per week) for a `D' Band charge payer.

Cllr T H Biscoe Town Mayor

	<u>2014-2015</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Administration	161487	169530
Administration Services	13496	11550
Agency Services	13080	13345
Grant Aid	8200	6000
Buildings/Assets	23730	35430
Other Services	11410	11390
Floral Displays	14000	15000
CCTV	18000	15000
Toilets/Roundabouts/Weed Control	12000	20000
Town Festivals	29265	35500
Redruth Community Centre	0	10000
Devolved Services	30000	50000
Capital Expenditure	9750	9750
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	344418	402495
Funded from		
Transfers	0	0
Income	4250	4250
Council Tax Support Grant	50702.80	46278.17
PRECEPT	289465.20	351966.83