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NO INCREASE IN TOWN COUNCIL PRECEPT FOR COMING YEAR

Last week, Cromer Town Council members agreed their budget for 2021-2022 and decided that there would be no increase in the precept to be paid by residents. Councillors are aware of the pressures that have been placed on householders following the disruption to their lives this year and were determined to reduce any additional financial burden.

Julie Chance, the Town Clerk and one of the driving forces behind Cromer Cares, remarked: "We have witnessed at first hand, the upheaval and hardship being experienced as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. The elderly and vulnerable, in particular, remain at risk of being isolated."

Town councillors and staff have had to adapt to the changing circumstances this year by holding meetings via Zoom and staff have worked at home. Prudent financial management and successful applications for grants have helped to off-set the loss of income stemming from the cancellation of wedding ceremonies at North Lodge and key events in the calendar such as the New Year Firework Display.

The Town Council has, drawn up a busy schedule for the coming year and this will include being involved in the re-positioning of Cromer Cares, the development of the Artspace initiative, introducing aspects of our ambitious environmental policy, supporting the plans for a woodland burial site in Cromer and establishing a CCTV network in the town.