### **Council Meetings**

Full Town Council Meetings are held on the first Monday of every month starting at 7.00pm.

Meetings are currently held in -The Council Chambers, The Hollies, High Street, Midsomer Norton

The offices are open Monday and Thursday afternoons for people to come and see us with any queries, please note the temporary offices are at Unit 14, South Road.

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# Midsomer Norton Town Council Precept Leaflet 2024/2025

How your
Town Council spends
your money



#### Message from the Mayor Cllr Gordon MacKay

Since the new Council was elected in May 2023, it has achieved its first priority in finding new permanent staff of the highest quality and is now in a great position going forward. Phase One of the Town Hall Transformation is nearing completion with the reinstated Market Hall soon to be made available for community use along with the welcome return of our community cinema. The Town Council continues to support the Community Trust which it set up in 2013, delivering fantastic events such as the Music and Arts Festival and Christmas Fayre.

#### Message from the Chair Finance and Operations Committee Cllr Martyn Plant



This coming year will see investments to ensure the success of the Somer Centre and the Town Hall. Within the budget is an increased allocation for youth provision and the Town Council will continue to support well received events such as the Music and Arts Festival, Summer and Christmas Fayres

#### **Current Town Councillors**

Midsomer Norton Town Council consists of eleven Councillors and they are:-Gordon Mackay (Mayor / Chair), Martyn Plant (Deputy Mayor / Vice Chair) Alun Pughe, Deborah Thatcher MartinThatcher, Tim Wells Lynda Robertson, Charlotte Lucas Cheryl Scott, Mike Moxham and Shaun Hughes

## **Grants**



The Town Council will award financial grants to encourage, support and promote voluntary and community groups within Midsomer Norton.

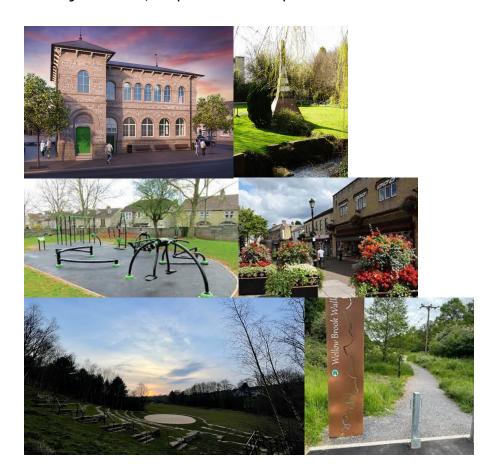
Midsomer Norton Town Council will consider funding at two meetings of the Finance and Operations Committee during the year, and the deadline for applications must be received 5 weeks in advance of those meetings. For the year 2024/2025 grants will be considered at the July and January meetings.

### In 2023-2024 the following grants were awarded

Midsomer Norton Football Club
Mini Police
Midsomer Norton Scout Group
Trauma Breakthrough
Friends of Silver Street Local Nature Reserve
Somerset Youth Theatre
Midsomer Norton Carnival Club

## Midsomer Norton Town Council Assets and Services

Midsomer Norton Town Council own or lease assets within the Town, these include the Town Hall, St Chads Memorial, Wellow Brook Walk, West Clewes Recreational Ground. Contractors as well as the Town Warden Dave are instructed to look after the areas such as Grass Cutting, River Clearance, Flowers in the High Street, Safety Checks, Repairs and Replacements.

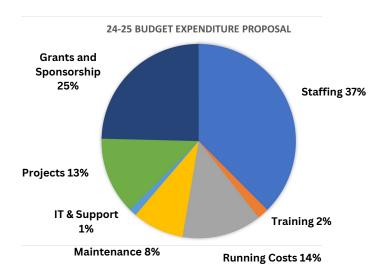


### The Future and Projects for 2024/2025

- Re-opening of the Town Hall
- Neighbourhood Development Plan
- Town Council Strategy
- Somer Centre Development -Entertainments and Meeting Venue
- Further improvements to the Town Hall
- Somer Valley Rediscovered (WECA Funding)
- Withies Lane Orchard and Town Farm
- St Chad's monument refurbishment
- Silver Street Nature Reserve Tree Maintenance Works



## Budget and Precept for 2024/2025



### **Expenditure for 2024-2025**

Staffing £207,252
Training £10,500
Running Costs £81,962
Maintenance £47,370
IT & Support £7,100
Projects £71,000
Grants and Sponsorship £142,900

## Just so you know....

To be able to continue to preserve and maintain services it has been necessary to adjust the precept for 2024/2025 accordingly.

Overall this will see an increase on the Midsomer Norton Town Council portion of your Council tax for a typical Band D property.

### equating to £27.31 per year

which is just

## 56 pence extra per week

The larger portion of your council tax will be set by Bath & North East Somerset, Avon and Somerset Police and Social Care