Tamworth Borough Council 2017 Budget Consultation

Background

As part of a regular annual process Tamworth Borough Council reviews its Council Tax and Charges Strategy for the development of the budget. This process ensures that funding is put into areas of highest priority. An important element of this process is to understand the views of residents, tenants, businesses, and local voluntary groups on what these priorities are.

Overview

Consultation on the key issues affecting the 2018/19 budget consultation will be carried out through three surveys;

- A residents survey on line and postal, promoted using social networking/media sites and through email contact databases
- A business survey on line, promoted through business social networking sites and business email contact databases
- A voluntary and community sector survey on line, promoted through email contact databases at the CVS

Time Table

Planning	from 1 st June 2017,
Postal survey posted (Residents)	from 31 st July 2017,
Online survey (Residents)	launched 1 st August 2017,
Online survey (Businesses)	launched 1 st August 2017,
Online survey (V&CS)	launched 1 st August 2017,
Surveys closes and taken offline	15 th September 2017,
Report at Corporate Management Team	16 th October 2017,
Report signed off in Democratic Services	23 rd October 2017,
Budget Consultation report at Cabinet	2 nd November 2017.

Objectives

- Identify important priorities to target for savings,
- Advise on acceptable levels of fees, charges and council tax,
- Obtain views on the corporate priorities.

A small budget has been set aside within the Corporate Consultation budget to undertake this work.

Tamworth Listens

In addition, the activity scheduled for 'Tamworth Listens' includes:

Tamworth Listens Question Time Event	TBA
Tamworth Listens Report at State of Borough Debate	TBA

