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Press Release

The Guildhall is a priceless asset. Earlier this year The Guildhall commissioned a business plan to ensure it remains sustainable to the town for decades to come.

With this business plan in mind, Sandwich Town Council's HR Committee has been working on a restructuring plan for staff across the Council's estate. After the conclusion of the extraordinary meeting on Friday 5th November, it was confirmed that we would move forward. This new structure maintains the current staffing level but, comes with a cost saving of £25,000 a year to Sandwich residents.

As a result of this restructure and these cost savings, Sandwich Town Council's Finance Committee has made the recommendation "No increase to be made to the precept for the upcoming year".

Councillors will have a further opportunity for a Q & A to ensure understanding and reassurance of the decisions taken, at an extraordinary Council meeting, on Wednesday 16th November 2021. Our policy is to hold HR meetings in the strictest of confidence to ensure legal compliance and respect to our staff.

12th November 2021