

# Report on County Council Matters to North Nibley Parish Council 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

## Cabinet meeting 16<sup>th</sup> December

### County Council Budget 2021/22.

The proposed revenue budget put forward at this meeting totals £480.458 million and is based on an overall increase of 4.75% on Council Tax (this includes 1.99% Council Tax increase plus a 2.76% Adult Social Care Levy), which is in accordance with the announcement in the Comprehensive Spending Review.

This proposed increase in the Adult Social Care Levy is estimated to raise an additional £8.651 million for these services.

The proposed budget would result in a Band D Council Tax of £1,409.22 in 2021/22 compared to £1,345.32 in 2020/21 – an increase of £63.90 per annum.

Public consultation on the proposed budget started on 18th December and will run to 15th January 2021. The outcome of this will be considered at a Cabinet meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> January.

The budget will be set by the full County Council on 17<sup>th</sup> February.

### Climate Change

The agenda for the meeting also included the Gloucestershire Climate Change Strategy Annual Report & Action Plan, 2021/22 – 2026/27, a 50-page report.

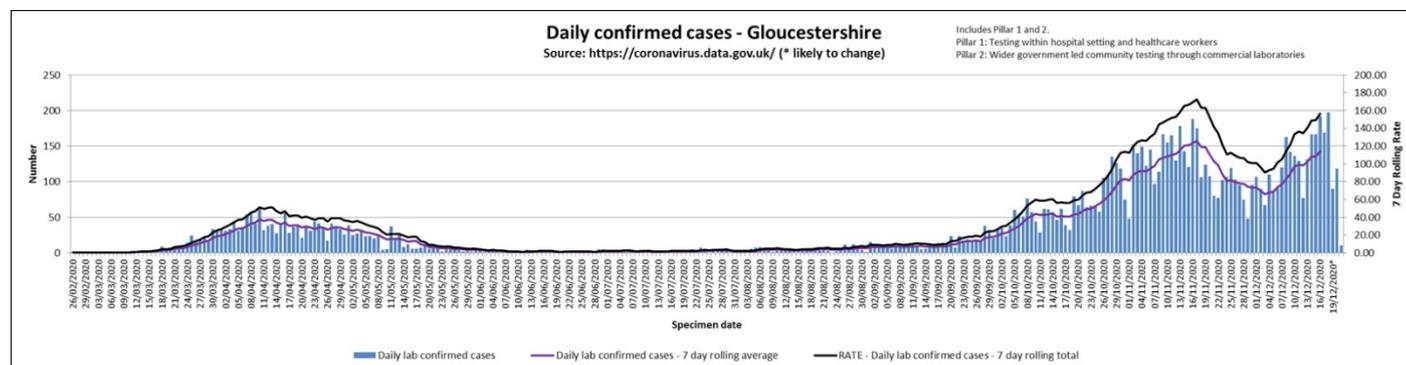
### Covid-19 cases

As members are no doubt aware. Gloucestershire is now under Tier 4 restrictions.

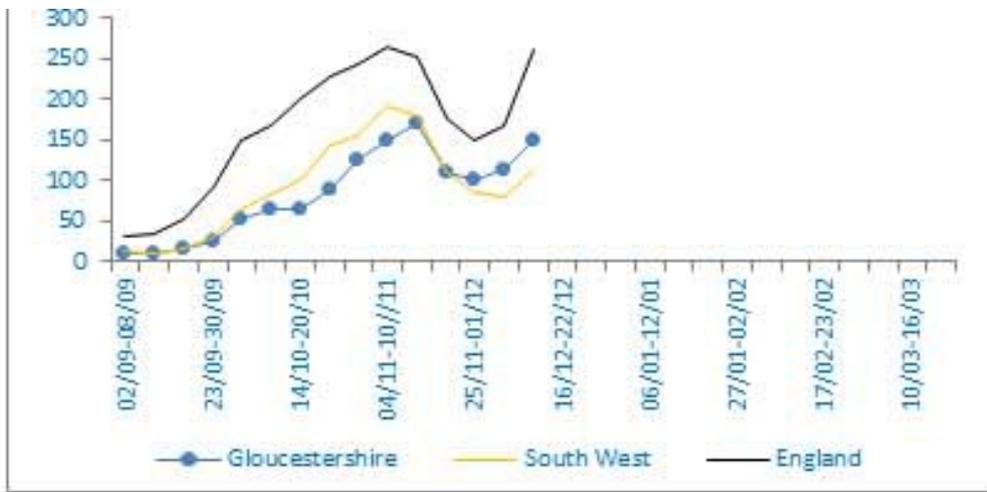
The latest information I have is slightly out of date but shows confirmed cases in the county continuing to rise, with 1017 confirmed cases in the seven days up to 22<sup>nd</sup> December compared to 950 the week before.

The numbers per district were:

- Gloucester 271
- Cheltenham 148
- Stroud 172
- Tewkesbury 132
- Forest of Dean 156
- Cotswold 142



This gives a Gloucestershire rate of 160 per 100,000 compared to 115 for the South West and 271 for England. The graph below shows this change over time



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*(GDPR health warning:) If you no longer wish to receive this report please let me know.*