



Longridge Town Council

Budget Executive Committee - Agenda

You are hereby summoned to attend the Budget Executive Committee **Precept Meeting** of Longridge Town Council on Tuesday 2 December 2025 at 18:30 in the Station Buildings, Berry Lane, Longridge.

1. Welcome by the Chair of the Budget Committee.

2. Receive Apologies.

3. Declarations of interests.

Councillors are responsible for declaring any personal / prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest **pertaining to matters on this agenda.**

If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest or there is a disclosable pecuniary interest, then the individual member should not participate in a discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting and not seek to influence a decision unless a dispensation request has been submitted in writing.

4. To consider and approve the minutes of the 26 November 2025 meeting.

5. Public Participation.

This 30-minute session (time limit of three minutes per item/per person) provides members of the public an opportunity to indicate interests in an agenda item and put questions to the Committee. Such questions may be answered after the meeting or become an agenda item at a future Committee meetings.

ITEMS for DECISION

6. 2026-27 Precept.

Report of the Clerk (enclosed) for members to consider the Town Council's precept for 2026-27.

7. Schedule of Meetings.

For consideration

Mike Hill

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Mission Statement

Endeavour through foresight and leadership, to enhance quality of life for residents and visitors. Working to enrich and nurture opportunity to protect and improve the built and natural environment and improve community.



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Agenda Item 4

Budget Executive Committee Minutes - Draft

Date:	26 November 2025		
Place:	Council Offices, Station Buildings, Berry Lane, Longridge.		
Present:	Councillors: R. Walker, S. Rainford and P. Smith.		
In attendance:	Town Clerk and Cllr. Wallbank (Observer)		
Meeting started:	18:30	Meeting closed:	21:25

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1. WELCOME BY THE CHAIR.

The Cllr. Walker welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs. Stubbs, Eccles and Rogerson.

The Chair noted that along with sending her apologies Cllr. Eccles had also submitted written observations regarding items on the agenda which Cllr. Eccles had emailed to all members of the Budget Committee and which the Clerk had responded to.

The Chair asked members if they wished to comment on Cllr. Eccles's email.

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE:

- Noted Cllr. Eccles's observations.
- Request the Clerk and Chair to seek approval before transferring funds between the Council's different bank accounts.

3. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS AND WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTEREST DISPENSATION

None.

4. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BUDGET MEETINGS HELD ON 29 OCTOBER 2025.

The minutes were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

There was no public participation. Cllr. Wallbank attended as an observer, but did participate in the meeting.

6. FINANCE REPORT.

The Clerk submitted a report seeking approval for the accounts to date and the Schedule of Payments.

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE:

- Approve the accounts to date.
- Approve the Schedule of Payments as set out in the Report and in the Table below.
- Request the Clerk to request the Estates Committee at their next meeting to review the Café Lease in relation to the proportion of utility charges paid by them.
- Request the Clerk to correct the NatWest statement of account to show that £20,000 was transferred to the Council's Unity Trust bank account on 22/09/25
- Request the Clerk to look at alternative banking arrangements in regard to a potential switch from NatWest and report back to the Committee.
- Request the Clerk to look at ways in which a simple but effective audit trail can be carried out by committee members.

Schedule of Payments to be considered for approval.

#	Ref.	Payee	Description	Gross £	Vat £	Net £	Due Date	Date Paid
1	1575	Energy Checkpoint	Payment for bringing to a conclusion the dispute the Council had with British Gas over an electricity bill in excess of £9,500.	1,000.00	-	1,000.00		07/11/25
2	74	Longridge Band	Remembrance Parade	600.00	100.00	500.00		13/11/25
3	1153	Stately Lighting	Rental, installation and removal of festive lights	4,560.00	760.00	3,800.00		13/11/25
4	GJAEUI	Clerk via Amazon	Internal hard drives	279.88	46.66	233.32		13/11/25
5	ZIAEUI	Clerk via Amazon	Synology 2 bayNAS DS223	249.97	41.66	208.31		13/11/25
6	JR2AEUI	Clerk via Amazon	Lock for community garden gate	14.00	2.33	11.67		13/11/25
7	2323710	Clerk via Amazon	Cable ties for lamppost poppies	23.99	4.00	19.99		13/11/25
8	271150720	Clerk via Smyths	Voucher for Halloween presentation	100.00	-	100.00		13/11/25
9	31709495	Clerk via RSPB Shop	Gift for Irene Reed	100.00	-	100.00		13/11/25
10	sdebt A2237	RVBC	Road Closure Remembrance Parade	49.17	-	49.17		28/10/25
11	3	James Yeates Signwriter	Update Mayoral Board	100.00	-	100.00		17/11/25
				7,077.01	954.65	6,122.46		

Expenditure of £500 approved by Budget Committee on 25/09/24

Note: Approval is not usually sought for expenditure approved by Full Council, the Budget Committee, Direct Debits, and people or organisations where the Town Council has a contractual relationship.

7. BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS.

The Clerk submitted a report requesting members to review the budget for 2026-27 as a precursor to setting the Town Council's 2026-27 Precept.

RESOLVED THAT COMMITTEE:

- Request the Clerk and Chair to update the report and spreadsheet in line with comments made at the meeting and convene an extra meeting of the Budget Committee with a focus on members approving the proposed budgets for each line item for 2026-27 and setting a precept for 2026-27.
- Request the Clerk to set up a Working Group tasked with defining the three-line items where grant expenditure can be allocated to.
- Request the Clerk to review the contracts of the Caretaker and Gardener in regard to re-advertising those positions.
- Agree that the cost of installing commando sockets on a further 10 lampposts is met from earmarked reserves.
- Request the Clerk to find out the rental costs for the festive lights in 2026-27.
- Request Cllr. Smith to look at what the Band D Tax figure would have been in 2025-26, if the percentage increase in previous years had been in line with the relevant RPI at the time.

8. GRANT REQUESTS

The Clerk submitted a report requesting members to consider grant requests from the following organisations:

- Longridge Pub Watch – £539.85. The grant will be used to pay the annual subscription to the 15 establishments that have signed up to the Pub Watch Scheme.
- Longridge and North Preston Rotary – £1,000. The grant will be used to improve the path at the end of John Smith's Park.

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE:

- a. Approve the grant request from the Longridge Pub Watch Scheme for £539.85
- b. Approve the grant request from Longridge and North Preston Rotary of £1,000

9. CHRISTMAS MEAL 2025

The Clerk submitted a report requesting members to consider how the Town Council's Christmas meal should be paid for.

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE:

Request the Clerk to inform Full Council that the Budget Committee on advice of the Clerk recommend that members pay for their own and guests' meals.

10. UPDATE ON ACTIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

The Clerk submitted a report updating members on actions from recent Budget Committee meetings.

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL:

Note the Report.

11. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL:

- a. Request the Clerk to contact RVBC regarding the state of the footpath from John Smith's Park to the Farm, and ask them to carry out remedial work.
- b. Request the Clerk to note the latest DSE requirements and report to the Estates Committee on his findings.

12. NEXT MEETING.

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL:

Request the Chair and the Clerk to arrange a 'Precept setting' meeting for the first week in December 2025

SIGNED BY CHAIR FOR THE MEETING:

DATE:

Agenda Item 6

For Decision/Discussion



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Meeting:	Budget Executive Committee
Meeting Date:	2 December 2025
Title:	Budget Considerations for 2026-27
Submitted by:	Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

1. Purpose of the report.

To update members on the preparations for the Council's 2026-27 budget and to seek their considerations on the level of expenditure, the services it intends to deliver in 2026-27 and the level of General and Earmarked Reserves.

2. Introduction:

Members are reminded that Town and Parish Councils irrespective of their size, have a statutory duty to prepare an annual budget. It should be noted that it is not lawful to set a precept unless a budget has been prepared and approved.

The budget process:

- Allows the Council to set a precept for the following year.
- Gives the Clerk authority to make spending commitments in line with the decisions of the Council.
- Enables progress monitoring during the year by comparing actual spending against planned expenditure.

The Council's precept requirement must be advised to RVBC by 24 December 2025. A draft budget is provided in Appendix 1 for consideration/amendment by the Committee and includes proposed budgets for each of the headline expenditure categories used in previous years. Members are however required to consider what services it intends to deliver in 2026-27.

3. The Budget Spreadsheet:

The Actual and Projected Expenditure sheet shown in Appendix 1 has columns which cover:

- Categories of expenditure.
- Budget for 2025-26 as prepared in 2024-25.
- Actual expenditure for 2025-26 (April to October).
- Forecast expenditure for 2025-26 (November to March).
- Projected annual out-turn (spend) for 2025-26.
- Budget variance to projected annual out-turn for 2025-26.
- Proposed budget for 2026-27 based on the continuation of existing services.

4. Reserves:

Longridge Town Council holds its reserves in line with those set out in the Joint Panel of Accountability and Governance 2025 (p52-253 section 5.32-5.40) in that they are maintained at between 3-12 months of Net Revenue Expenditure.

Net Revenue Expenditure, as referenced in the context of the 2025 Practitioners' Guide for parish and town councils, is the total revenue expenditure of a council minus its revenue income from sources **other than the precept**, such as grants, fees, or other income streams. It represents the net cost of running the council's day-to-day operations and services, which is primarily funded by the precept.

The smaller the authority, the closer the figure may be to 12 months expenditure, in practice, any authority with income and expenditure in excess of £200,000 should plan towards 3 months equivalent general reserve.

Reserves can be categorised as general, ringfenced or earmarked. The level of financial reserves held by the council will be agreed by the Town Council during the discussions held regarding the setting of the budget for the next financial year.

4.1 General Reserves:

The General Reserve is the balance of Longridge Town Council's revenue account and are funds which have no restrictions as to their use. These reserves can be used to smooth the impact of uneven cash flows, offset the budget requirement if necessary, or can be held in case of unexpected events or emergencies. They cannot be used for recurring general expenditure as this would gradually reduce the reserves to zero.

Any surplus on the General Reserve, above the agreed level, may be used to fund capital expenditure, may be included in earmarked reserves or used to limit any increase in the precept for a specific year. The General Reserve may be held in a number of bank savings and deposit accounts.

The level should be proposed by the Responsible Financial Officer and agreed annually when setting the final budget for the forthcoming year at a Town Council meeting.

4.2 Earmarked Reserves:

Earmarked Reserves represent amounts that are generally earmarked for specific items of expenditure or to meet known or anticipated liabilities or projects. They are not to be used for emergency operations.

Earmarked Reserves can be held for several reasons:

- To plan for and finance an effective programme of equipment renewal, property maintenance or land acquisition.
- To meet known or predicted liabilities.
- To carry forward any committed project funds which cannot be spent within the budgeted year.

Earmarked Reserves must be reviewed and/or established when setting the budget for the forthcoming year at a Town Council meeting. Any changes to the proposed use of Earmarked Reserves must be agreed by the Town Council at its earliest meeting.

4.3 Earmarked Reserves for 2026-27.

Members will be aware that the Town Council lease the Heritage Centre to the Longridge Heritage Centre Trust. An extract from the lease is shown below:

to maintain and replace, when necessary, the kitchen units and the plumbing installations in the Kitchen

To decorate the Licensee's office and replace the flooring as and when necessary

The Centre opened in 2013/14 and the kitchen and office are now in need of redecoration and refurbishment.

Name	Purpose	Level £
Heritage centre reserve	Refurbish Heritage Centre	6,000
Commando sockets	Fitted to 10 lampposts for festive lights.	3,850
Planters	As part of Longridge in bloom	1,000

5. Members are recommended to:

- Note the contents of the report and Appendix 1.
- To consider the Council's expenditure and the services it intends to deliver in 2026-27.
- Set a General Reserve for 2026-27 of £45,000.
- Agree the Earmarked Reserves for 2026-27 shown in Section 4.3.
- To set a precept for 2026-27 based on the Council's anticipated income and expenditure.
- Request the clerk to submit a 'Precept Setting' report to the next meeting of the Full Council based on the recommendations of this Committee.

Appendix 1



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Budget Committee

Meeting Date:	2 December 2025
Title:	Precept - 2026-27
Submitted by:	Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer
Purpose of the report:	For members to consider the 2026/27 Precept.
Recommendations:	See Main Report

Actual and Projected Expenditure - 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026. v02-12 2025



Community Purse		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget £	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
1	Youth Council	1,500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	-1,500.00	0
2	Allotments	100	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	-100.00	100
3	Civic events inc. remembrance services	6,000	1,554.97	703.99	3,096.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,355	-645.04	5,500
4	Chauffeur	0	535.00	100.00	60.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	695	695.00	200
5	Mayoral allowance 2025/26	600	0.00	365.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	365	-235.00	600
6	Mayoral allowance 2024/25	550	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550	0.00	0
7	Christmas trees and tree lights	5,000	468.00	420.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	888	-4,112.00	500
8	Community Partnership	500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	-500.00	0
9	Grants and Donations	20,000	12,603.00	0.00	1,539.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,143	-5,857.15	10,000
10	Community Sponsorship	500	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100	-400.00	10,000
SUB TOTAL		34,750	15,710.97	1,688.99	4,695.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,096	-12,654.19	26,900

Line 21. £5,959 annual charge for litter picking, similar amounts paid since 2022-23. £296 for emptying freestanding bin. £1,005 for commercial waste.

Amenity and Asset Maintenance		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
15	Public toilets (Towneley Gardens)	500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-500.00	0
16	Plants and planters	1,000	597.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	597.41	-402.59	0
17	Gardening services	2,000	1,502.73	200.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	200.00	2,202.73	202.73	2,400
18	Tree Works	0	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	0
19	Caretaker/lenghtsman services	3,000	3,335.02	570.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	5,505.02	2,505.02	6,240
20	Play Area and Skatepark	1,000	220.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	470.00	-530.00	750
21	Litter and waste disposal RVBC	1,250	6,243.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,243.50	4,993.50	6,500
23	Asset purchase	0	549.00	0.00	0.00	5,500.00	0.00	0.00	6,049.00	6,049.00	0
24	Asset replace and refurbish	2,000	2,159.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,159.62	159.62	100
25	Maint. of open space and miscellaneous	0	121.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	121.54	121.54	0
26	Defib. and bleed kits	700	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	-600.00	630
SUB TOTAL		11,450	15,128.82	770.00	750.00	6,100.00	500.00	600.00	23,848.82	12,398.82	16,620



		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
Insurance, Banking & Prof. Services				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
27	Insurance	3,500	3,250.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,250.15	-249.85	3,300
28	Bank charges	240	76.50	13.20	13.20	13.20	13.20	13.20	142.50	-97.50	160
29	Memberships and Subscriptions	1,500	1,415.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,415.75	-84.25	1,425
30	Professional Services	2,000	1,155.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,155.00	155.00	250
31	Auditor	500	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00	50.00	250
SUB TOTAL		7,740	6,447.40	1,013.20	13.20	13.20	13.20	13.20	7,513.40	-226.60	5,385
		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
Station Building Maint. and Clean				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
35	Hygiene and Cleaning	6,500	3,797.44	240.00	240.00	270.00	240.00	240.00	5,027.44	-1,472.56	5,000
36	Security Alarm System	400	377.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	377.50	-22.50	380
37	Fire Alarm	250	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-250.00	100
38	General maint. external contractors.	8,500	725.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	725.93	-7,774.07	1,000
39	Internal CCTV	500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-500.00	0
40	IT Support	350	187.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	187.50	-162.50	200
SUB TOTAL		16,500	5,088.37	240.00	240.00	270.00	240.00	240.00	6,318.37	-10,181.63	6,680
		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
Miscellaneous Expenses				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
45	Post, stationary and consumables, civic	1,000.00	278.34	0.00	130.26	0.00	0.00	80.00	488.60	-511.40	300
46	Attendance at conferences	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1,000.00	50
47	Cllr. Expenses	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-200.00	100
SUB TOTAL		2,200.00	278.34	0.00	130.26	0.00	0.00	80.00	488.60	-1,711.40	450
		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
Office				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
50	Furniture	600.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	-450.00	100
51	Equipment	250.00	716.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	716.70	466.70	100
SUB TOTAL		850.00	716.70	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	866.70	16.70	200



Specific Projects		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
55	Longridge in Bloom	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500
56	Rental Festive lights	0.00	6,059.99	4,560.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,619.99	10,619.99	3,960
57	Community Well-Being Garden	2,000.00	1,583.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	1,783.33	-216.67	500
SUB TOTAL		2,000.00	7,643.32	4,560.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	12,403.32	10,403.32	5,960

Staff Costs		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
63	Clerk Salary (Gross)	37,500.00	27,232.22	3,575.00	3,575.00	3,575.00	3,575.00	3,575.00	45,107.22	7,607.22	46,000
64	Deputy Clerk Salary (Gross)	0.00	0.00	199.44	432.00	432.00	432.00	432.00	1,927.44	1,927.44	5,200
65	HMRC payments relating to previous clerk	0.00	3,311.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,311.00	3,311.00	0
66	Staff Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00	70.00	600
67	Expenses and additional remunerations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
68	Payroll costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00	550.00	560
SUB TOTAL		37,500.00	30,543.22	3,774.44	4,627.00	4,007.00	4,007.00	4,007.00	50,965.66	13,465.66	52,360

Telephone and Internet		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
71	Telephone - Landline	750	314.13	501.47	74.00	74.00	74.00	74.00	1,111.60	361.60	700
72	Telephone - Mobile	300	216.06	37.34	37.34	37.34	37.34	37.34	402.76	102.76	450
73	Website and web and email services	1,000	597.05	81.40	81.40	104.28	104.28	104.28	1,072.69	72.69	1,251
74	IT and Wifi Equipment	1,000	225.00	529.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	754.95	-245.05	100
SUB TOTAL		3,050	1,352.24	1,150.16	192.74	215.62	215.62	215.62	3,342.00	292.00	2,501

Utilities		2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Forecast Spend					2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance: Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
				Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
75	Electricity	20,000	2,530.46	1,200.00	955.00	955.00	955.00	955.00	7,550.46	-12,449.54	12,000
76	Gas	1,300	1,006.71	70.00	90.00	100.00	100.00	90.00	1,456.71	156.71	1,500
77	Water and Waste	3,500	1,623.39	371.53	270.00	270.00	270.00	270.00	3,074.92	-425.08	3,000
SUB TOTAL		24,800	5,160.56	1,641.53	1,315.00	1,325.00	1,325.00	1,315.00	12,082.09	-12,717.91	16,500

		Forecast Spend						2025-26 Projected Spend £	Variance. Projected vs Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget £
	2025-26 Budget	2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
TOTAL	140,840	88,069.94	14,838	12,114	11,931	6,501	6,471	139,925	-915	133,556

Forecast Spend Nov. - March:	51,855
Forecast Income Nov. - March:	13,503



Summary 2025-26		2025-26 Apr-Oct. Actual						
Income		11,222.50	Forecast Income					Total Forecast Income £
Carried forward from 2024/25		6,370.32	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
Actual funds to date:		17,592.82	1,329	4,863	2,437	2,437	2,437	31,096
Forecast revenue expenditure								139,925
Projected net revenue expenditure 2025-26:								108,829

Income less precept and VAT reclaim - 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026.



		2025-26 Apr-Oct Actual	Forecast					2025-26 Projected Income £	2026-27 Budget Income £
Source			Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar		
1	Allotment Rent	437	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	437	437.00
2	RVBC and LCC Grants	2,746	200.00	1,155.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,101	3,000.00
3	Bank Interest NatWest	239	77.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	476	500.00
4	Petty Cash	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
5	Room Hire (Lettings)	2,105	345.00	345.00	440.00	440.00	440.00	4,115	5,280.00
6	Café Rent	4,242	707.00	1,414.00	707.00	707.00	707.00	8,484	8,484.00
7	Utilities Contribution	1,454	0.00	1,908.72	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	7,113	8,100.00
TOTAL		11,222.50	1,329.00	4,862.72	2,437.00	2,437.00	2,437.00	24,725	25,801

Precept Requirements for 2026-27

Previous Years				
Year	Tax Base	Band D Tax £	Tax Band % Change	Precept £
2015/16	2622	22.71		59,558
2016/17	2657	24.09	6.1%	64,000
2017/18	2719	24.69	2.5%	67,132
2018/19	2772	25.43	3.0%	70,492
2019/20	2804	26.06	2.5%	73,072
2020/21	2867	26.6	2.1%	76,250
2021/22	2944	26.87	1.0%	79,093
2022/23	3052	27.4	2.0%	83,616
2023/24	3170	27.95	2.0%	88,602
2024/25	3213	29.28	4.5%	94,077
2025/26	3280	30.02	2.5%	98,195
2026/27	3296	32.46	7.5%	107,000

Figure provided by RVBC.

Calculations	
Proposed Spend £:	133,556
Projected Income £:	25,801
Precept Requirement £:	107,755
Precept Request £:	107,000
Band D Calculation:	32.46

Net Revenue Expenditure:

Is the total revenue expenditure of a council minus its revenue income from sources other than the precept, such as grants, fees, and other income streams.

It represents the net cost of running the council's day-to-day operations and services, which is

2025-26 Summary

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	Unity Bank - current funds (02-12-2025):	56,971
	Mayoral Ball funds after exes:	3,208
1	Available Council Funds:	53,763
2	Forecast income: Nov.'25 to March '26:	13,503
3	Forecast Spend: Nov. '25 to March'26:	51,855
	Balance to be carried forward (1+2) - (3):5	15,411
	NatWest reserve accounts at 27-11-25:	53,684