

**Binton Parish Council**  
**Meeting of the Council on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7.30pm**

**Precept 2026/27 – proposal by Chair**

1. The table attached shows the forecast outturn for the current year and my proposal for next year. The current year forecast includes some estimates. These include an assumption that more of the Village Green budget will be spent this year.
2. The forecast outturn for this year is an underspending of around £2,889 which is an improvement of about £2,829 on the budget surplus of £60. The reasons of the underspending are:
  - a. No expenditure from the £2,000 village project budget
  - b. Reduced expenditure forecast on the Village Green, which may change by year end.
  - c. No spend on an Election or Clerk training.
  - d. Proposal to make no contribution to the Village Hall Committee this year or next
3. I have included a wage inflation-linked increase for the Parish Clerk at 5%. Average wage increases this year have been around 4.8% according to the ONS.
4. I have not included a budget for unspecified projects for next year as the underspend carried forward would cover anything the village decided to do.
5. Village Hall contribution is deferred considering the very healthy financial position of the Committee.
6. I have proposed we reduce the precept to £6,000. This will leave a forecast surplus of £540.
7. The parish council is requested to consider this proposal and approve it, if agreed. Or modified if not.

Mike Flaxman  
Chair Binton Parish Council  
20 October 2025

| Expense Type                            | Meeting<br>May   | Meeting<br>Jul   | Meeting<br>Sep  | Meeting<br>Nov   | Meeting<br>Jan   | Meeting<br>Mar   | Year to Date<br>2025-2026 | Budget<br>2025-2026 | (Over)/under<br>spend<br>Forecast | Draft Budget<br>2026-27 |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Admin Costs</b>                      |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  |                           |                     |                                   |                         |
| Clerk salary                            | 490.00           | 490.00           | 490.00          | 490.00           | 490.00           | 490.00           | 2,940.00                  | 2,940.00            | 0.00                              | 3,090.00                |
| Telephone/Travelling/Office Costs       |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 0.00                | 0.00                              | 0.00                    |
| Insurance                               | 702.53           |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 702.53                    | 590.00              | (112.53)                          | 700.00                  |
| Bank Charges                            | 18.00            | 29.00            | 9.00            | 1.00             | 10.00            | 10.00            | 77.00                     | 100.00              | 23.00                             | 100.00                  |
| Internal Audit                          | 100.00           |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 100.00                    | 60.00               | (40.00)                           | 100.00                  |
| Land Registry                           |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 0.00                | 0.00                              | 0.00                    |
| Village projects                        |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 2,000.00            | 2,000.00                          | 0.00                    |
| Village Maintenance                     | 45.00            |                  |                 | 80.00            | 80.00            | 80.00            | 285.00                    | 600.00              | 315.00                            | 600.00                  |
| Training /Advertising for Clerk / Cllrs |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 50.00               | 50.00                             | 50.00                   |
| Election                                |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 100.00              | 100.00                            | 100.00                  |
| Website/Internet                        | 90.00            | 57.60            | 32.40           | 64.80            | 50.00            | 50.00            | 344.80                    | 300.00              | (44.80)                           | 400.00                  |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>1,445.53</b>  | <b>576.60</b>    | <b>531.40</b>   | <b>635.80</b>    | <b>630.00</b>    | <b>630.00</b>    | <b>4,449.33</b>           | <b>6,740.00</b>     | <b>2,290.67</b>                   | <b>5,140.00</b>         |
| <b>Subscriptions &amp; Donations</b>    |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  |                           |                     |                                   |                         |
| WALC                                    | 195.00           |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 195.00                    | 200.00              | 5.00                              | 220.00                  |
| Community Projects                      |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 0.00                | 0.00                              | 0.00                    |
| Church Clock                            |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 0.00                | 0.00                              | 0.00                    |
| Churchyard Maintenance                  |                  |                  |                 | 100.00           |                  |                  | 100.00                    | 100.00              | 0.00                              | 100.00                  |
| Village Hall                            |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 400.00              | 400.00                            | 0.00                    |
| Contingency                             |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      | 0.00                | 0.00                              | 0.00                    |
| <b>Total Expenditure</b>                | <b>1,640.53</b>  | <b>576.60</b>    | <b>531.40</b>   | <b>735.80</b>    | <b>630.00</b>    | <b>630.00</b>    | <b>4,744.33</b>           | <b>7,440.00</b>     | <b>2,695.67</b>                   | <b>5,460.00</b>         |
| Bank Interest                           | 24.18            | 22.70            |                 | 21.20            |                  | 25.00            | 93.08                     |                     | 93.08                             | 0.00                    |
| Precept                                 | 3,750.00         |                  |                 | 3,750.00         |                  |                  | 7,500.00                  | 7,500.00            | 0.00                              | 6,000.00                |
| WCC Grant                               |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      |                     | 0.00                              | 0.00                    |
| Insurance refund                        |                  | 40.77            |                 |                  |                  |                  | 40.77                     |                     | 40.77                             | 0.00                    |
| VAT Reclaim                             |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.00                      |                     | 0.00                              | 0.00                    |
| <b>Total Income</b>                     | <b>3,774.18</b>  | <b>63.47</b>     | <b>0.00</b>     | <b>3,771.20</b>  | <b>0.00</b>      | <b>25.00</b>     | <b>7,633.85</b>           | <b>7,500.00</b>     | <b>133.85</b>                     | <b>6,000.00</b>         |
| <b>This Period Transactions</b>         | <b>2,133.65</b>  | <b>(513.13)</b>  | <b>(531.40)</b> | <b>3,035.40</b>  | <b>(630.00)</b>  | <b>(605.00)</b>  | <b>2,889.52</b>           | <b>60.00</b>        | <b>2,829.52</b>                   | <b>540.00</b>           |
| b/f                                     |                  |                  |                 |                  |                  |                  |                           |                     |                                   |                         |
| <b>8839.45</b>                          | <b>10,973.10</b> | <b>10,459.97</b> | <b>9,928.57</b> | <b>12,963.97</b> | <b>12,333.97</b> | <b>11,728.97</b> |                           |                     |                                   |                         |