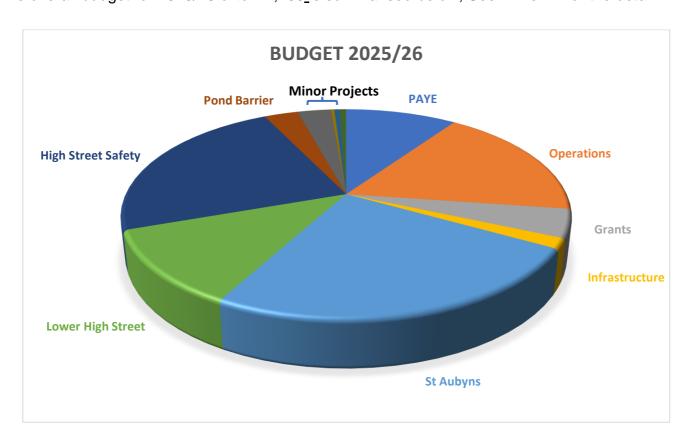


PRESS RELEASE: BUDGET AND PRECEPT FOR 2025/26.

Every year, the Parish Council has to set a budget to cover the cost of its work and administration. The budget is funded by a precept, the local tax included in your Council Tax, which is collected from residents by Brighton and Hove City Council.

PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET AND PRECEPT FOR 2025/26 AGREED. At the Council meeting on the 3rd of February Councillors agreed a budget of £172,400 for 2025/26 and to increase the amount of the precept for average (Band D) households by 98 pence per year bringing the total annual amount payable to £33.79. This small increase will mitigate inflationary pressures on our operational costs and will allow the Parish Council to deliver key improvements to local amenities and services. The Parish Council plans include repair of the pond barrier, making the undercliff safer for both pedestrians and cyclists and improving signage on Beacon Hill. We also want to invest in the St Aubyns Field, Chapel and Pavilion assets for the whole community to enjoy, develop a masterplan for the improvement of the High Street with the City Council and continue to support the excellent work of the many volunteer groups that make the village a special place to live and work.

The overall budget for 2025/26 of £172,400 is summarised below, See Annex A for the detail.



If you have any comments or questions about the budget or precept please contact the Parish Clerk - email <u>parish.clerk@rottingdean-pc.gov.uk</u>.

Budget	2025/26 Budget
Operations	
Clerks salary + PAYE	£16,500
Clerk Expenses	£50
Payroll admin	£550
Printing & Stationery	£250
Insurance (public liability)	£270
Meeting room hire	£1,500
Subscriptions/Software	£200
Postage & comms	£280
Audit fees	£900
Website (DD)	£750
Newsletter/Publicity	£1,800
LNR Expenses/Leaflets and Annual	
Reports	£400
St Aubyns Maintenance	£15,500
Pond Maintenance	£3,500
General expenses/Contingency	£5,000
Sub Total	£47,450
Grants & Donations	
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Sub Total	£7,500
Infrastructure/Events	
Signage improvements	£250
General Improvements	£1,000
Access improvements	£300
Well being	£1,000
Road safety speeding and 20 & 30 mph	
signs	£150
Sub Total	£2,700
Major Projects	
St Aubyns	£42,500
Lower High Street	£20,000
High Street Safety	£40,000
Pond Barrier	£5,000
Beacon Hill Notice Boards	£5,000
Welcome Pack	£500
Village Survey	£750
Undercliff Safey	£1,000
Sub Total	£114,750
TOTAL	£172,400