	2024/25 Actual	2025/26 Budget	Actual to 27th December 2025 - Net	Forecast to 31 March 2026 - Net	Draft Budget 2026/27	Comments December 2025
Receipts						
Precept	10,450.00	11,495.00	11,495.00	11,495.00	11,495.00	11839.85
Summer Event	573.25	250.00				
Winter Event			250.00	250.00		received from locality grant
Coronation/May Celebration						
Donation received			100.00	100.00		
Grants	10,477.58					
VAT Reclaim	384.42		2,304.91	2,304.91	387.15	anticipate £ vat reclaim
TOTAL	**21,885.25**	**11,745.00**	**14,149.91**	**14,149.91**	**11,882.15**	
Expenditure						
Administration						
Clerk Expenses		200.00		200.00	50.00	
Office & Admin	560.33	440.00	47.00	440.00	440.00	scribe in year 24-25 we paid scribe two payments for 2 separate years
Payroll Service	137.76	70.00		70.00	70.00	Payroll in year 24-25 we paid two payments for 2 separate years
Audit Costs	187.25	251.88	251.88	251.88	251.88	Herts IAS charges for Councils 25-26.pdf depends on actual expenditure of the year
Website hosting	165.99	200.00	186.00	186.00	190.00	
Insurance	527.23	550.00	556.52	556.52	575.00	
Hall Hire	129.50	111.00	40.00	111.00	114.00	
Training	124.00	300.00	37.50	300.00	300.00	
Newsletter & Leaflets	332.00	429.00	244.00	429.00	429.00	
Bank Charges	53.40	72.00	48.00	72.00	72.00	
Other		350.00		350.00		
Events						
Summer Event	557.60	1,300.00		0.00	350.00	all event expenses come under Section 137 payments, this is calculated at 227 electors £11.10/elector, the
Winter Event	349.92	500.00	338.28	500.00	500.00	maximum we are allowed to spend is **£2519.70** (2025-26 figures)
Spring national celebrations	641.98	500.00	271.43	271.43	500.00	
General						
Poppy Wreath		20.00			20.00	
Kiosk Electricity		150.00		150.00	150.00	This has not been paid and is still in contention, I have not had confirmation that the kiosk is functioning correctly yet- this figure in Net carried forward since 2023
AED (automated external defibrillator)		100.00	486.00	486.00	100.00	1 battery replacement April 2025, 2 pads replaced May 2025, these have lasted 3+ years pads are approx £60, we have 2 units, replacement batteries are approx £210. Is this what the Kiosk refurb reserve is there for or are we expecting to refurb the kiosks again?
CAB Donation (Citizens Advice)	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	
Donations	115.60			0.00	50.00	As there are no current plans for a harvest fayre I have left this empty for now, however for future reference, this is in payment for the use of the Field in Chipping. It was 30% of the takings at the door Sept 2024.
PC Assets	9,109.68				500.00	There are no current plans for purchasing assets
Storage of PC Assets		100.00		100.00	100.00	This is to be discussed
Litter Picking						
Buckland Litter Pick	1,140.00	1,140.00	760.00	1,140.00	1,140.00	These have stayed the same for several years, do you want to consider an increase, especially due to the disposal of litter
Chipping Litter Pick	1,140.00	1,140.00	760.00	1,140.00	1,140.00	
Maintenance						
Grass Cutting	2,090.00	2,280.00	1,770.00	2,280.00	2,280.00	no change in price for 26-27
Dog Litter Bins	640.34	650.00	659.55	659.55	680.00	4 dog bins 65 times a year
Trees				0.00		Lines of responsibility under review -earmarked reserve
Bus Shelters	300.00	600.00		600.00	360.00	£60*6, consider a new cleaner
Property Repairs	103.31	250.00	150.00	250.00	250.00	
Milestone		50.00		50.00		
Salt bin		400.00				
Salary						
Salary & PAYE	2,113.50	3,344.39	2,049.96	3,344.39	3,344.39	This typically increases annually in line with NALC. 2025 - Payscale 16 £13.47/hr, 2025 Payscale 16 £?/hr

Subscriptions						
HAPTC	146.84	158.13	158.13	158.13	160.90	Exact membership emailed 13/11/25 Hertfordshire Association of Parish and Town Councils
ICO	35.00	40.00		40.00	40.00	Information Commissioners Office (GDPR)
SLCC	72.00	72.00		72.00	72.00	Society of Local Council Clerks is the professional body for local council clerks
Continguency reserve						
Technology Reserve						
Other reserves		350.00			350.00	
Earmarked reserves						
Election Reserve		600.00			600.00	THESE NEED TO BE DISCUSSED AND AGREED AT THE MEETING, INDIVIDUALLY MINUTED
Kiosk refurb		350.00			350.00	
Friends of St Andrews Church		100.00			100.00	
Trees		200.00			200.00	
AED savings						
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	**20,823.23**	**16,168.40**	**8,864.25**	**14,257.90**	**14,629.17**	Precept expectation
Precept expectation	**21,885.25**	**11,745.00**	**14,149.91**	**14,149.91**	**11,882.15**	
VAT						
Spending from general Reserves	**-1,062.02**	**4,423.40**	**-5,285.66**	**107.99**	**2,747.02**	***GENERAL RESERVE MINIMUM LEVEL RECOMMENDED £16000***
Opening bank accounts		**01 April 2025**	**09 December 2025**	**31 March 2025**	**31 March 2026**	
Unity Trust Bank		15,886.56	19,542.32	15,886.56	15,778.57	
TOTAL bank						
add projected income		11,745.00		14,149.91	11,882.15	
less projected expenditure		16,168.40		14,257.90	14,629.17	
Anticipated year end reserves		11,463.16		15,778.57	13,031.55	

the tax base is important as the Band D tax for your area is calculated by dividing your precept by the tax base figure.		Band D
Council tax base 2026-27	111.88	102.74
Council tax base 2025-26	116	99.09