Budget Planning

Category	Code	Expenditure	Budget 2026 - 2027	Spend to date (end Q2 2026)	Percentage Budget Spent (end Q2)	Budget 2027 - 2028	Notes to the Budget
							The budget gives costs for the financial year 2027 - 2028. While clearly there are some estimated costs to which the Parish Council is committed, other figures are suggestions, and equally open to increase, decrease or elimination.
Salary & Expenses	SE1	Clerk's Salary	7,350.00	3,608.75	49%	7,570.00	Budgeted at 3% payrise
	SE2	TCS Management	300.00	132.30	44%	300.00	Maintained at previous year
	SE3	Clerk's Expenses	150.00	14.60	10%	150.00	Maintained from previous year - limited spend
	SE4	Chairmans Allowance	150.00		0%	150.00	Maintained from previous year - limited spend
	SE5	Home Working Allowance	335.00	156.00	47%	335.00	Maintained from previous year
		Total Salary & Expenses	**8,285.00**	**3,911.65**		**8,505.00**	
Training	TR1	Councillors Training	400.00		0%	500.00	Increased from previous year due to potential new Councillors
	TR2	Clerk Training	250.00	180.00	72%	1,000.00	Increased due to Clerk interest in undertaking Level 4 qualification (other Parish Councils contributing similar % based on hours per week)
		Total Training	**650.00**	**180.00**		**1,500.00**	
Memberships	MB1	ICO Membership	55.00	52.00	95%	55.00	Increased based on 2025 - 2026 spend
	MB2	CCA	50.00		0%	0.00	Not purchased in 2026/7
	MB3	ChALC subscription	220.00	210.00	95%	220.00	Inflationary increase - 5%
	MB4	SLCC	0.00		N/A	0.00	Not purchased in 2026/7
	MB5	Peak and Northern Footpaths	0.00		N/A	0.00	Not purchased in 2026/7
		Total Memberships	**325.00**	**262.00**		**275.00**	
Professional Fees	PF1	Insurances	535.00		0%	565.00	Inflationary increase - 5%
	PF2	Planning Support	0.00		N/A	0.00	
	PF3	Internal Audit Fee	315.00	307.20	98%	330.00	Inflationary increase - 5%
	PF4	GDPR	0.00		N/A	0.00	
		Total Professional Fees	**850.00**	**307.20**		**895.00**	
Communication	CO1	Newsletters	1,000.00		0%	1,000.00	Maintained from previous year
	CO2	Noticeboard	0.00		N/A	0.00	No plans to purchase / upgrade in 2027 - 2028

	CO3	Website	1,000.00	420.00	42%	440.00	Reduced - based on 2026/2027 costs plus 5%
	CO4	Additional Community Engagement	300.00	249.36	83%	300.00	To cover additional consultation letters for example - maintained from previous year
		Total Communication	**2,300.00**	**669.36**		**1,740.00**	
Donations/Grants	DO1	Donations/Grants	1,500.00	250.00	17%	1,000.00	Reduced as not fully awarded in 2026 / 2027
		Total Donations/Grants	**1,500.00**	**250.00**		**1,000.00**	
Meetings	ME1	Hire of Room	500.00	240.00	48%	500.00	Maintained from previous year
	ME2	Annual Refreshments	50.00		0%	50.00	Maintained from previous year
		Total Meetings	**550.00**	**240.00**		**550.00**	
Community Projects	CP1	Footpaths Improvements	0.00		N/A	0.00	Funds for this in Earmarked Reserves.
	CP2	Highways Maintenance	0.00		N/A	0.00	
	CP3	Community Allotments	0.00		N/A	0.00	
	CP4	Speed Awareness Training & Equipment	0.00	99.95	Overspend	150.00	Small budget amount added - for additional Hi-Viz vests
	CP5	Defibrilators	300.00		0%	300.00	Maintained as no spend in Q1/Q2 2026 / 2027
	CP6	Public Seating	0.00		N/A	0.00	
	CP7	Amenity Schemes	500.00		0%	500.00	Seats, planting, public spaces - Maintained from previous year
	CP8	Boundary Markers	0.00		N/A	0.00	
		Total Community Projects	**800.00**	**99.95**		**950.00**	
Fixed Assets	FA1	Maintenance	525.00		0%	525.00	Maintained as no spend in Q1/Q2 2026 / 2027
	FA2	Dog waste collection	500.00		0%	500.00	Currently collected by Congleton Council FoC - "Just in case" - maintained from previous year
		Total Fixed Assets	**1,025.00**			**1,025.00**	
Banking Charges	BC1	HSBC Banking Fees	100.00		0%	100.00	Maintained from previous year
		Total Banking Charges	**100.00**			**100.00**	
Civic Responsibilites	CR1	Remembrance Wreaths	50.00	46.00	92%	50.00	Maintained from previous year
		Total Civic Responsibilities	**50.00**	**46.00**		**50.00**	
		Total Expenditure	**16,435.00**	**5,966.16**	**36%**	**16,590.00**	
		Income					

PP1	Parish precept	16,050.00	16,050.00	16,050.00
VT1	VAT refund	500.00	1,063.65	1,000.00
EX1	Exceptional Income	0.00		0.00
BI1	Interest	0.00	4.65	0.00
	Total Income	**16,550.00**	**17,118.30**	**17,050.00**

Budget Surplus/Deficit