

### Budget Statement Financial Year 2025/26 - Expenditure Forecast

Category	2022/23 Actual	2023/24 Actual	2024/25 Budget agreed on 16/01/2024	2024/25 Expenditure to date (April to Dec 24)	2024/25 Estimated Annual Expenditure	2025/26 Estimated Annual Expenditure	Explanation as to calculation of 2025/26 Estimated Expenditure	
Salary - Clerk	£10,904.38	£11,697.65	£12,303.90	£9,129.50	£12,179.28	£12,788.25	As per 2024/25 estimated expenditure plus projected 5% national wage increase	1
Employer's NI Contributions / Pension Payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£625.20	£1,050.68	£1,186.00	As per 2024/25 estimated expenditure plus 5% uplift to cover potential wage increase that would impact level of contributions. 2024/25 figure includes backdated contributions taken from general reserves. Clerk has opted out of employer pension scheme	2
Office costs (WFH allowance)	£312.00	£312.00	£312.00	£234.00	£312.00	£312.00	As per 2024/25 budget (£6 per week)	3
Travel expenses	£0.00	£0.00	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00	£50.00	As per 2024/25 budget	4
Training	£45.00	£114.00	£200.00	£40.00	£200.00	£200.00	As per 2024/25 budget – to accommodate training for prospective new councillors to the vacant seats and training as per the mandatory Training Plan	5
Office supplies	£371.54	£201.01	£300.00	£121.45	£300.00	£350.00	Nominal increase on 2024/25 budget to reflect projected increased costs of printing supplies and mobile phone contract	6
Postage	£13.02	£0.00	£15.00	£0.00	£15.00	£15.00	As per 2024/25 budget	7
Translation services	£0.00	£88.84	£400.00	£322.40	£400.00	£440.00	As per 2024/25 budget plus nominal uplift	8
Website services	£69.24	£120.00	£80.00	£0.00	£59.99	£80.00	As per 2024/25 estimated expenditure plus nominal uplift – web hosting subscriptions not anticipated until 2026/27	9
Subscriptions/Membership	£293.00	£338.00	£450.00	£351.00	£366.00	£406.00	As per 2024/25 expenditure plus nominal uplift	10
Insurance	£770.12	£1404.35	£1,250.00	£0.00	1,032.12 (actual)	£1,135.00	As per five-year LTA premium but includes nominal sum for fluctuation	11
Legal Costs	£305.00	£64.95	£35.00 Increased to £77 as per minute 112.2	£41.96	£76.96	£35.00	As per 2024/25 budget - 2024/25 figure includes one-off legal document production fee	12
Audit/Payroll fees	£100.00	£1,750.00	£500.00 Increased to £720 as per minute 153.2	£720.00	£920.00	£1,600.00	2024/25 figure includes 2020/21 Audit Wales fee as clarification on amount charged only now received. Audit fees for 2023/24 received - £200. £420 in total to be taken from general reserves to balance. Transactional audit scheduled for 2025/26 – amount budgeted for includes projected costs to be paid to Audit Wales for in depth audit work	13
Venue Hire fees	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	None anticipated	14

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General village maintenance and repairs	£2,589.81	£1,173.90	£1,200.00 <b>Increased to £1,700 as per minute 13.5</b>	£1,300.50	£1,700.00	£1,380.00	As per original 2024/25 budget but to include 15% uplift to reflect higher material and contractor costs.	15
Traffic Calming	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	As per 2024/25 budget	16
Cemetery maintenance	£2,730.00	£2,370.00	£1,530.00 <b>Increased to £3,455 as per minute 91.2</b>	£3,406.63	£3,455.00	£3,050.00	2024/25 expenditure includes additional maintenance costs to repair cemetery gates and replenish slate chippings. 2025/26 figure reflects new maintenance contracts which now include maintaining the cemetery extension field	17
Cemetery development	£693.00	£1,333.00	£6,908.00 <b>Increased to £12,553 to carry forward to 2024/25</b>	£6,735.00	£7,598.00	<b>£5,698.00</b>	<b>2025/26 figure reflects the annual loan repayment (£693) and the residual balance from allocated reserves to finalise the extension works (c/f from 2024/25)</b>	18
Footpath maintenance	£1,250.00	£1,250.00	£1,250.00	£1,300.00	£1,300.00	£1,250.00	As per 2024/25 budget due to two-year extension for current contract (expires March 2027)	19
Village hall remedial and restoration costs	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	<b>£180.00</b>	£0.00	<b>£300 held in general reserves, Listing Officer's advice fee to be taken from this;</b> grant funding options to be explored in 2025/26	20
Village hall general maintenance and repair costs	£518.48	£854.84	£1000.00	£548.00	£1,000.00	£1000.00	As per 2024/25 budget – 2024/25 estimated annual figure will include anticipated expenditure to acquire new pavement sign and offset costs of purchasing some replacement chairs	21
Village hall operational costs	£1,752.06	£1,894.87	£2,000.00	£1,186.00	2,000.00	£2,500.00	As per 2024/25 figure but includes additional funds to reflect increased utility and general running costs and potential wi-fi costs	22
Community grants	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	As per 2024/25 budget	23
Skips	£2,620.00	£2,328.00	£3,432.00 <b>Increased to £4,484 to carry forward to 2024/25</b>	£1,320.00	£1,320.00	£0.00	No skip provision anticipated following enquiries with commercial providers	24
Advertising	£0.00	£0.00	£50.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	None anticipated	25
Donations	£122.00	£690.00	£500.00	£500.00	£500.00	£500.00	As per 2024/25 budget	26
Councillor Annual Allowance	0.00	£215.00	£522.00	£416.00	£416.00	£416.00	To replenish level of mandatory amount following allowances as paid	27
Councillor Childcare Allowance	0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	No additional monies to be added in 2025/26 - £100.00 held in reserves	

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Asset Transfer – Playparks x 2 (Playpark and Bro Geirionydd)	£1,500.00*	£1,000.00 – monies carried over to 2024/25	£1,000.00 <b>Increased to £2,000 to carry forward to 2024/25</b>	£643.75 (match-funding for roundabout)	£2,000.00*	£1,000.00	To build on current reserves pending request from unitary authority for contribution towards non-statutory service	28
Public toilets	0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,265.00	£1,265.00	£16,625.00	2024/25 expenditure taken from allocated reserves. 2025/26 figure represents unitary authority's financial request to cover full running costs to keep the Gower Rd toilets open - pending review of consultation and final decision at January 2025 meeting	29
Tree works including Ash Dieback	£2,000.00*	£470.00 – balance carried over to 2024/25	£2,000.00 <b>Increased to £3,530 to carry forward to 2024/25</b>	£100.00	£3,530.00*	£2,000.00	As per 2024/25 budget - ongoing costs of 5 to 7-year maintenance programme with projected overall expenditure of £15,000	30
Chair's Discretionary Fund	£0.00	£0.00	£50.00	£40.00	£50.00	£50.00	As per 2024/25 budget	31
Village Festivities	£275.90	£609.85	£300.00	£0.00	£300.00	£350.00	As per 2024/25 budget plus nominal uplift	32
Defibrillators	£350.00*	£0.00	£200.00 <b>Increased to £800 to carry forward to 2024/25</b>	£220.00	£800.00*	£200.00	As per 2024/25 figure to build on current reserves pending costs to replace both consumables and units	33
Banking Charges	£67.20	56.20	£100.00	£45.80	£75.00	£100.00	To cover anticipated increases in monthly account fee and charges	34
IT/Office machinery	0.00	£497.99	£200.00	£129.95	£129.95	£265.00	As per 2024/25 figure to replenish reserves. 2025/26 includes additional £65 to cover cost of purchasing a basic 4G enabled mobile phone as 3G service will cease in 2025	35
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£29,651.75</b>	<b>£30,834.45</b>	<b>£50,631.90</b>	<b>£30,742.14</b>	<b>£44,580.98</b>	<b>£54,981.25</b>		

\*Monies to be carried forward and/or transferred to allocated reserves if any balance left at the end of the 2024/25 financial year

**Income Received financial year 2024/25 and projected amounts for 2025/26**

	Year to date (Apr to Dec)	Estimate for 12-month financial period 2024/25	Estimate for financial year 2025/26
Bank interest	333.45	400.00	300.00
Cemetery Fees	3,080.00	3,670.00	3,000.00
CCBC ROW Maintenance reimbursement	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Village Hall income	2,387.15	2,500.00	1,200.00
Transfer of funds from the 2023/24 budget to cover delayed/future expenditure	9,827.00	9,827.00	0.00
Monies transferred from general reserves to reconcile unanticipated expenditure	3,737.68	3,937.68	0.00
Monies from allocated reserves	1,265.00	1,265.00	5,245.00 (Cemetery extension works)
<b>Total Income before Precept (A)</b>	<b>21,630.28</b>	<b>22,599.68</b>	<b>10,745.00</b>
Underspend c/forward (B)	0.00	0.00	3,003.96
Precept (C)	24,985.26	24,985.26	<b>Proposed request of £41,232.29</b>
<b>Overall total (A+B+C)</b>	<b>£46,615.54</b>	<b>£47,584.94</b>	<b>£54,981.25</b>

- Budgeted income figure for 2024/25 was £38,137.90 to mirror the anticipated expenditure
- Anticipated income for 2024/25 now projected at £47,584.94
- Anticipated expenditure for 2024/25 now projected at £44,580.98
- Based on the above, this leaves an anticipated surplus for 2024/25 of £3,003.96
- Subject to Council’s agreement to the budget and proposed precept request for 2025/26 of £41,232.29, this provides for a precept figure for Band D equivalent properties of £104.83