

**ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PUBLIC CONSULTATION - PRECEPT 2025/2026**

At the Parish Council meeting held on 15 October 2024, consideration was given to the recommendations of the Finance Working Group for the precept application for 2025/26.

The Finance Working Group had deliberated each code and cost centre in the accounting system, recognising the need to limit expenditure as far as possible due to current restraints and economic climate and taking into account a realistic income figure. The Capital Assets Renewal Programme continued to be included in the precept sum and this would be revised to reflect ongoing capital expenditure and to include new capital purchases. Members recognised the requirement to retain 35-50% precept reserves at all times, whilst being aware of access to earmarked reserves. Additionally, it was anticipated that, due to a potential increase in dwellings and proposed growth, any increase would be spread over more properties and therefore should have a lesser impact on individual households.

Having deliberated the budget for the Financial Year 2025/2026, an anticipated realistic income figure of £12,980.00 set against an anticipated expenditure figure of £97,280.00 plus earmarked reserves of £12,419.00, produced an annual Precept figure for 2025/2026 of £96,719.00.

This represents an increase of £2,332.00 (2.47%) on 2024/2025.

***NB: Anticipated Figures***

Cost Centre	Expenditure (£)	Income (£)	Expenditure (£)	Income (£)
	2024/2025	2024/2025	2025/2026	2025/2026
Administration	38235	2420	40533	3660
Section 137	600	0	600	0
Pavilion hire & Courts	280	550	300	1200
Public Toilets	3150	0	3712	0
Capital Projects (EMR)	12307	0	12419	0
Allotments	300	120	250	120
Cemetery	15800	8000	16000	8000
Parish Maintenance	34805	0	35885	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>105477</b>	<b>11090</b>	<b>109699</b>	<b>12980</b>

**PRECEPT**

**2024/2025 = £94,387**

**2025/2026 = £96,719**

If you have any comments on the proposed budget, please send these either in writing or via e-mail **no later than 9.00am Monday 18 November 2024** to:-

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