

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held in the Council Offices, Station Road, Budleigh Salterton on Monday 8 September 2025.

The meeting commenced at 9.36pm.

PRESENT

Cllr G Woodcraft - Chair
Cllr A Chaplin
Cllr P Lewis
Cllr L Miszewska

In attendance: Alice Gater-Wildgust – Town Clerk, Cllr D Walsh.

25.199 Public Speaking

There were no members of the public in attendance.

25.200 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr S Cook.

25.201 Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 14 April 2025 has been circulated prior to the meeting. It was unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true record

25.202 Chair's Report – Cllr Woodcraft

The Chair, Cllr Woodcraft, advised that the Public Hall and Finance Committees has recently met to review current Public Hall rates. The objective of these discussions was to consider the formulation of a strategy that ensured the long-term financial sustainability of this key community asset, while maintaining its accessibility for the residents of Budleigh Salterton.

A subsequent meeting was held on 22 August with the Finance Committee to prepare members for consideration of the 2026/27 budget and to facilitate effective financial planning.

Following this, the Chair met with the Clerk to undertake a detailed review of the BSTC year-to-date budget and to assess any revisions that may be required.

25.203 Income & Expenditure 2025/26

- (i) Details of the Income and Expenditure for the period 1 April 2025 to 31 August 2025 were received and accepted.
- (ii) Consideration was given to a number of budget revisions outlined in the supporting papers, and it was:

Resolved: to revise the budgeted figures based on YTD figures.

- (iii) It was noted that the Clerk is currently preparing the 2026/27 budget for review and agreement at the next meeting of the Finance Committee, scheduled to take place in November 2025, a key date in the financial year.

25.204 Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 9.58pm.

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Chair

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Date