

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on Monday 19th January 2026 at 8.45pm held in the Atherton Suite, The Old Post Office, The Moor, Falmouth. TR11 3QA

Present: Councillors A J Jewell (Town Mayor), T M Pearce (Deputy Mayor), G P Andrewartha, S R Carmichael, D E Clegg CC, D V Evans BEM CC, L E Howes, D A Konik, A L Rowe CC, D W Saunby CC, J A R Stowell, and J A Walkden.

In Attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)
R N Thomas (Responsible Financial Officer)

C6148 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and approved from Councillors Holbrook (holiday), Robinson (ill), and Stephens (work).

C6149 INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

C6150 PRECEPT 2026/27

The Town Mayor requested the Chair of the Finance and General Purposes Committee to present the agreed 2026/27 budget to enable the Council to confirm the 2026/27 precept call which needed to be notified to Cornwall Council. This notification had been delayed from 31st December 2025 to allow the Council to further consider its draft budget. The precept would be paid in two instalments on 1st April 2026 and 1st September 2026.

The Chair of the Finance and General Purposes Committee outlined the process of budget setting through service committees and service leads which had been thorough and considered and a variety of options considered by councillors. He recognised the considerable efforts of the Responsible Financial Officer in preparing the budget recommendation. He reiterated his recommendation to the Finance and General Purposes Committee and thanked the Responsible Financial Officer.

It was proposed by Councillor Clegg, seconded by Councillor Howes.

RESOLVED that the Council confirms the 2026/27 budget (option 7) and sets its precept for 2026/27 at £4,057,218.43.

A Council Tax Band D equivalent increase over 2025/26 of £44.09 per annum (£0.85 per week). Which was an increase 9.93%.

Councillor Evans requested that his name be recorded as having voted against this resolution.

There being no further business to transact the Town Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

Signed..... Date.....