

Minutes of the Denbigh Town Council 2026/2027 Budget Meeting held on Monday 19th January 2026

Present: Face to Face Councillor's: Ruth Griffiths, Roy Tickle, Gaynor Wood-Tickle, Alyn Ashworth, Philip Stevens, Andrew Hine, Sylvia Jennings, Matthew Jones, Rob Davies, Medwyn Jones (Interim Town Clerk & Finance Officer) & Jo Davies (Interim Office Manager).

Zoom: Councillor Pauline Edwards

Members of the Public: None

The Chair Cllr RG Welcomed all to January's Town Council Budget meeting, stating: "There is no planned fire alarm and so if at any point the fire alarm does go off, please remember to leave the chamber in a calm manner via the stairs and meet by the angel. There is an attendance register in the chambers, please sign in. This is of utmost importance and is part of our standing orders. Whilst we may not always agree with each other's comments, please do not interrupt speakers and be respectful of their views. Please always treat each other with dignity and respect".

If any Councillors have completed the declaration of interest form for this current meeting, we would ask those Cllrs to please exit the Chambers whilst that item is discussed – as per "Code of Conduct Training"

120 Apologies for absence: Councillor's Jan Tomlinson, Lara Pritchard & Gaynor Morgan Rees.

121 Declaration of Personal/Prejudicial Interest

Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at this meeting:

Item Number	Cllr Name	Personal/Prejudicial
Item 3 (Town Hall Only)	Gaynor Wood-Tickle	Prejudicial
Item 3 (Town Hall Only)	Roy Tickle	Prejudicial

122 To Discuss and Prepare the Councils spending budget for the financial year 2026/2027.

The Chairman referred Members to the budget papers circulated for the purpose of considering and setting the Town Council's spending budget for the financial year 2026/2027.

Members considered the budget information provided by the Interim Town Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer and examined each budget heading in turn. A proposed figure was discussed considerably and agreed for each heading.

Following detailed discussion, Members confirmed that the total of all budget headings for 2026/2027 amounted to **£342,750.00** representing a **decrease from 2025/2026 of 25,600** (approximately **6.95%**).

Resolved: That the Town Council approve a spending budget of **£342,750.00** for the financial year 2026/2027.
(Resolution carried unanimously.)

123 To discuss and set the precept figure for the financial year 2026/2027 based on a council tax Base for Denbigh of 3711 (2025/2026)

The Town Council **Resolved** that the precept for the 2026/2027 financial year be set at the same level as that agreed for the 2025/2026 financial year, with no increase applied.

124 To Determine which of the following bodies the Council should join:

- **DCC**
- **NALC**
- **One Voice Wales**

The Town Council considered options for organisational membership to support the Council in areas including HR, training, policies, and regulatory compliance. Discussions took place on potential membership bodies, including One Voice Wales, NALC, and DCC. It was noted and agreed that the Town Council is required to hold membership with one such body. Following a detailed discussion, it was **Resolved** that a membership with NALC would best meet the needs of the Town Council.

The Chair closed the meeting at 20.08

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