

MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 28 October 2024 at the Town Hall, Senhouse Street, Maryport at 7.00pm.

Present

Councillor S Ashworth, (Chairman)	Councillor B Copeland
Councillor J Cuthell	Councillor I Greaney
Councillor J Hastewell	Councillor C McCarron Holmes
Councillor P Hetherington	Councillor D Peggs
Councillor W Pegram	Councillor L Radcliffe
Councillor C Slater	

In Attendance

P Bramley, (Clerk)
Mrs L Douglas, (Clerk)

60/24 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C Bell, V Cuthbert, G Hampson, G Mitchell, J Newton & S Merrin.

61/24 Declarations of Interest

None received.

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62/24 Requests for Dispensation

None received.

63/24 Public Participation

No questions received.

64/24 Budget 2025/2026

Members considered a report setting out the basis of development of the draft Budget 2025/26, the detailed draft Budget figures & the estimated level of Reserves & Balances at 31 March 2025.

It was agreed to recommend to the Council, in principle, a budget entailing no increase in council tax over 2024/25. The draft budget took into account the Council's agreed priorities in its Council Strategy & provided for an expenditure budget in 2025/26 of £404,200.

Resolved that:

- 1) The Budget 2025/26, as detailed in the report & providing for a budget entailing no increase in council tax over 2024/25, be agreed in principle, & that it be recommended to form the basis of the Council precept for 2025/26.
- 2) A transfer of £5,000 from the CCTV Reserve to the Legal Services Reserve be agreed & the estimated position of reserves at 31 March 2025 noted.

The Budget 2025/26 is attached.

The meeting finished at 7.55pm.

Signed

Chairman

Date

	APPENDIX 1			
MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL				
Draft Budget 2025/26				
			Budget	
		Original	after	
	Actual	Budget	Virements	Budget
	2023/24	2024/25	2024/25	2025/26
	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE				
Employees	62,095.37	61,900	61,900	65,600
Premises	11,683.09	10,400	10,400	12,500
Property Maintenance	47,472.50	36,200	36,200	38,400
Ground Maintenance	151,044.53	117,100	117,100	128,900
Insurance	4,569.86	4,400	4,400	4,900
Postages, Stationery & General Office Expenses	17,445.00	16,900	18,250	14,500
Audit Fees: External Auditor	1,050.00	1,100	1,100	1,200
Audit Fees: Internal Auditor	419.80	400	400	400
Payroll Administration	1,014.00	700	700	1,100
Legal Services	1,000.00	500	8,500	1,000
Bank Charges	311.65	300	300	400
Election Expenses	2,381.38	-	-	-
Festival Promotion	49,151.58	41,900	41,900	49,100
Grants & Donations	89,781.00	102,600	102,600	80,500
Mayor's Allowance	2,170.00	2,500	2,500	2,500
Deputy Mayor's Allowance	500.00	500	500	500
Members' Development	480.00	400	400	400
Members' Expenses	-	-	-	-
Civic Fund				
General	356.89	500	500	500
Remembrance Day	462.15	1,300	1,300	1,300
Miscellaneous Expenses	292.66			
VAT	44,033.17			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	487,714.63	399,600	408,950	403,700
Contributions to Reserves	58,000.00	500	500	500
TOTAL EXPENDITURE AFTER RESERVES	545,714.63	400,100	409,450	404,200

INCOME				
Precept: Cumberland Council	379,682.71	384,300	384,300	384,300
Grants & Contributions	-	-	-	-
Interest	3,093.54	700	700	3,900
Rents & Wayleaves	7,360.00	15,100	15,100	16,000
Recovery of Costs	2,432.43			
Miscellaneous Income	1,873.10			
VAT	40,528.21			
TOTAL INCOME	434,969.99	400,100	400,100	404,200
Contribution from Reserves	53,244.64		9,350	
TOTAL INCOME AFTER RESERVES	488,214.63	400,100	409,450	404,200