



ST AUSTELL TOWN COUNCIL

2026/27 BUDGET BOOK

ST AUSTELL TOWN COUNCIL - SUMMARY BUDGET

APPENDIX 1

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2028/30 Projected £
Income								
Car Park Income	265,360	240,000 ✓	160,749	277,000	265,000 ✓	265,000	265,000	265,000
Council Tax Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest Income	52,082	36,000 ✓	26,174	45,000	38,000 ✓	35,000	33,000	31,000
Library Income	6,079	5,600 ✓	3,678	5,600	5,600 ✓	5,600	5,600	5,600
Other Grants and Contributions	208,404	0	58,239	218,545	0	0	0	0
Other Income	3,411	2,430 ✓	13,189	13,255	2,550 ✓	2,550	2,550	2,550
Precept Payments	1,177,920	1,301,100 ✓	1,301,100	1,301,100	1,420,600 ✓	1,460,600	1,525,300	1,625,400
Public Convenience Charges	2,372	2,650 ✓	1,206	2,400	2,400 ✓	2,400	2,400	2,400
Rent Received	10,360	10,410 ✓	5,385	10,385	10,435 ✓	10,435	10,435	10,435
Total Income	1,725,987	1,598,190	1,569,721	1,873,285	1,744,585 ✓	1,781,585	1,844,285	1,942,385
Gross Income	1,725,987	1,598,190	1,569,721	1,873,285	1,744,585	1,781,585	1,844,285	1,942,385
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Recruitment	160	1,300	80	1,300	1,300 ✓	1,300	1,300	1,300
Salaries / Wages	730,522	793,900	388,830	805,435	879,795 ✓	909,515	944,530	980,910
Training	3,631	5,000	383	4,100	4,850 ✓	4,850	4,850	4,850
Total Employee Expenses	734,312	800,200	389,292	810,835	885,945	915,665	950,680	987,060
Premises Expenses								
Cleaning & Domestic Supplies	20,322	21,040 ✓	11,037	21,370	22,295 ✓	23,210	24,250	25,260
Electricity/Gas	21,653	26,935	6,408	30,040	41,035 ✓	43,105	45,845	48,885
Grounds Maintenance Supplies	27,135	25,750	12,920	25,300	26,500 ✓	27,760	29,090	30,490
Play Equipment	55,281	50,000	2,576	50,000	50,000 ✓	50,000	50,000	50,000
Rates	42,180	45,585	38,152	70,190	83,015 ✓	86,265	87,265	88,265
Rent / Room Hire	5,541	10,200	2,628	7,871	11,761 ✓	14,951	18,141	20,261
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	49,290	42,950	25,272	55,800	47,250 ✓	45,450	45,950	46,450
Water	2,093	2,625	1,661	3,635	5,290 ✓	5,560	5,830	6,110
Total Premises Expenses	223,495	225,085	100,654	264,206	287,146	296,301	306,371	315,721
Supplies and Services								
Books and Publications	119	150 ✓	0	200	150 ✓	150	150	150
Contract Payments	150,909	169,025 ✓	97,693	276,685	193,455 ✓	209,280	219,265	229,430
Electron Expenses	0	35,000	584	7,950	1,000 ✓	1,000	1,000	35,000
Grants	65,250	73,915	50,304	73,055	74,750 ✓	76,180	77,750	79,350
Subscriptions	8,055	8,875	7,618	8,875	9,300 ✓	9,780	10,270	10,790
Insurances	11,519	11,920	12,093	12,160	12,695 ✓	13,340	14,005	14,710
IT / Communications	26,426	23,615	16,263	23,770	24,580 ✓	25,515	26,750	28,055
Mayors Allowances	0	750	0	0	750 ✓	750	750	750
Members Allowance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Expenses	171,247	91,660	132,215	267,473	82,415 ✓	57,770	58,135	58,520
Office Supplies	4,500	2,750	1,447	2,900	2,980 ✓	3,060	3,150	3,240
Printing and Stationery	3,063	4,350	2,641	3,930	4,105 ✓	4,390	4,600	4,780
Protective Clothing	2,594	2,850	1,590	2,850	2,990 ✓	3,140	3,290	3,450
Publicity	586	1,900	1,094	3,400	3,420 ✓	3,540	3,660	3,780
Small Grants Scheme	7,936	8,000	3,450	8,000	10,000 ✓	10,000	10,000	10,000
Total Supplies and Services	452,205	434,760	326,992	691,248	422,590	417,895	432,775	482,005
Transport Related Expenses								
Contract Hire and Operating Leases	855	550 ✓	1,112	2,000	1,000 ✓	1,000	1,000	1,000
Fuel	11,238	12,360	6,354	12,360	12,980 ✓	13,630	14,310	15,030
Other Transport/Plant expenses	27,541	27,850	26,227	27,850	29,210 ✓	30,650	32,170	33,760
Repairs/ Maintenance-Vehicles/Plant	16,283	7,610	4,360	7,610	7,990 ✓	8,390	8,810	9,250
Road Fund / Taxes	1,350	1,420	611	1,420	1,490 ✓	1,565	1,640	1,720
Transport Insurance	4,530	4,200	4,789	4,789	5,030 ✓	5,280	5,540	5,820
Travel and Subsistence	927	855	622	960	980 ✓	980	980	980
Total Transport Related Expenses	62,724	54,845	44,074	56,989	58,680	61,495	64,450	67,560
Total Operating Expenses	1,472,736	1,514,890	861,012	1,823,278	1,654,361	1,691,356	1,754,276	1,852,346
Contingency	0	43,000	0	10,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Net Surplus/ Deficit (-)	253,252	40,300	708,709	40,007	40,224	40,229	40,009	40,039
Contributions to Reserves	225,575	40,000	0	67,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Contributions from Reserves	10,998	0	0	34,264	0	0	0	0
Adjusted Surplus/Deficit (-)	38,675	300	708,709	7,271	224	229	9	39
Precept	1,177,920	1,301,100		1,301,100	1,420,600	1,460,600	1,525,300	1,625,400
Council Tax Base	6,522.42	6,597.76		6,597.76	6,641.43	6,660.00	6,680.00	6,700.00
Council Tax - Band D	180.60	197.20		197.20	213.90	219.31	228.34	242.60
Increase £ per annum	16.23	16.61		16.61	16.70	5.41	9.03	14.26
Increase £ per week	0.31	0.32		0.32	0.32	0.10	0.17	0.27
Increase %	9.88%	9.20%		9.20%	8.47%	2.53%	4.12%	6.24%

ST AUSTELL TOWN COUNCIL

SUMMARY BUDGET PROJECTIONS

	2024/25	2025/26	Actual to	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
	Actual	Original	20.10.25	Revised	Original	Projected	Projected	Projected
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Community Committee:								
Allotments	50	-200	39	-1525	-525	-225	-225	-225
CCTV and security	-86436	-111880	-73202	-138555	-132700	-145480	-152425	-159420
Events	-322	-30000	-8520	-17560	-22565	-22670	-22775	-22880
Misc. Projects and Grants	-28298	-35250	-16406	-48750	-37500	-37500	-37500	-37500
Parks and Open Spaces	-384398	-463865	-185949	-449270	-487860	-504960	-522720	-541210
Public Conveniences	-32849	-25055	-26182	-34755	-27860	-28965	-30065	-31185
Public Rights of Way	1017	1030	0	0	0	0	0	0
The House/Youth Services	-10718	-11500	-5000	-11500	-11500	-11500	-11500	-11500
Sub Total	-541954	-676720	-315221	-701915	-720510	-751300	-777210	-803920
Finance and Gen. Purposes Committee								
Civic Expenses	-7953	-47200	-4159	-16640	-11100	-11180	-11260	-45340
General Admin.	-248249	-278870	-136167	-274540	-323520	-337100	-353815	-371080
Library	-237209	-269055	-129295	-262236	-277421	-287226	-298751	-310861
Priory Car Park	186682	166515	104926	170655	154030	148810	145865	142860
Stable Block/Pondhu House	-17186	-23150	-7469	-34343	-62505	-65210	-70000	-73790
Transport and Plant	-61124	-53640	-36327	-48554	-57350	-60165	-63120	-66230
Tregonissey Lane End Car Park	-499	-1330	-926	-1800	-1250	-1250	-1250	-1250
Sub Total	-385538	-506730	-209417	-467458	-579116	-613321	-652331	-725691
Planning and Regeneration Committee								
Town Centre Revitalisation Project	2823	-28600	-67754	-72970	-25000	0	0	0
Sub Total	2823	-28600	-67754	-72970	-25000	0	0	0
Climate and Environment Committee								
Climate and Environment	0	-5750	0	-8750	-5750	-5750	-5750	-5750
Sub Total	0	-5750	0	-8750	-5750	-5750	-5750	-5750
Contingency	0	-43000	0	-10000	-50000	-50000	-50000	-50000
Contributions to Reserves	-924668	-1260800	-592392	-1261093	-1380376	-1420371	-1485291	-1585361
Contributions from Reserves	225,575	40,000	0	67,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
	10,998	0	0	34,264	0	0	0	0
	-1,139,245	-1,300,800	-592,392	-1,293,829	-1,420,376	-1,460,371	-1,525,291	-1,625,361
Council Tax Grant Precept	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1,177,920	1,301,100	1,301,100	1,301,100	1,420,600	1,460,600	1,525,300	1,625,400
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	38,675	300	708,708	7,271	224	229	9	39

CCTV and Security

	2024/25	2025/26	Actual to	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
	Actual	Original	20.10.25	Revised	Original	Projected	Projected	Projected
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Training	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Employee Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Premises Expenses								
Electricity	1033	1150	831	1100	1150	1210	1275	1335
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	0	1000	0	500	1000	1000	1000	1000
Total Premises Expenses	1033	2150	831	1600	2150	2210	2275	2335
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	53625	70000	38524	77000	85000	96000	101000	106000
Miscellaneous Grants	26000	28665	28054	28055	29500	30930	32500	34100
IT / Communications	5777	6065	5793	5800	6050	6340	6650	6985
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	5000	0	26100	10000	10000	10000	10000
Total Supplies and Services	85402	109730	72371	136955	130550	143270	150150	157085
Total Operating Expenses	86436	111880	73202	138555	132700	145480	152425	159420
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	-86436	-111880	-73202	-138555	-132700	-145480	-152425	-159420

Notes:

1. Assumes 3 year phased increase in monitoring costs
2. Security patrols (may need to increase)
3. Provides for new cameras in 2025/26

Committee
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Community Committee
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Civic Ceremonial / Members

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions				20				
Other Income	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0
Total Income	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Training	20	750	348	600	600	600	600	600
Total Employee Expenses	20	750	348	600	600	600	600	600
Premises Expenses								
Rent / Room Hire	0	0	150	300	300	300	300	300
Total Premises Expenses	0	0	150	300	300	300	300	300
Supplies and Services								
Election Expenses	0	35000	584	7950	1000	1000	1000	35000
IT / Communications	1176	1250	1104	1150	1200	1250	1300	1350
Mayors Allowances	0	750	0	0	750	750	750	750
Members Allowance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Expenses	5892	7500	1880	5500	6000	6000	6000	6000
Printing and Stationery	253	750	0	530	530	540	550	560
Publicity	352	900	0	400	420	440	460	480
Total Supplies and Services	7673	46150	3568	15530	9900	9980	10060	44140
Transport Related Expenses								
Travel and Subsistence	260	300	113	230	300	300	300	300
Total Transport Related Expenses	260	300	113	230	300	300	300	300
Total Operating Expenses	7953	47200	4179	16660	11100	11180	11260	45340
Net Surplus/Deficit()	-7953	-47200	-4159	-16640	-11100	-11180	-11260	-45340

1. One contested election in 2025

Committee
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F & GP Committee
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CLIMATE CHANGE

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions	0			0	0	0	0	0
Other Income	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Training	0	500	0	250	500	500	500	500
Total Employee Expenses	0	500	0	250	500	500	500	500
Premises Expenses								
Grounds Maintenance Supplies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Premises Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Supplies and Services								
Miscellaneous Grants	0	250	0	0	250	250	250	250
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	5000	0	8500	5000	5000	5000	5000
Total Supplies and Services	0	5250	0	8500	5250	5250	5250	5250
Total Operating Expenses	0	5750	0	8750	5750	5750	5750	5750
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	0	-5750	0	-8750	-5750	-5750	-5750	-5750

Committee
Budget Officer

Climate and Environment
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Events

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	2025/26 Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Interest Income	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Grants and Contributions	6500		0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Income	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Rent Received	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	6500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	6500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Recruitment	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Salaries / Wages	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Training	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Employee Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Premises Expenses								
Rent / Room Hire	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Premises Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Supplies and Services								
Books and Publications	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Contract Payments	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Subscriptions	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Insurances	0		59	60	65	70	75	80
IT / Communications	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Expenses	6588	30000	7617	15000	20000	20000	20000	20000
Office Supplies	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Printing and Stationery	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Publicity	234		844	2500	2500	2600	2700	2800
Total Supplies and Services	6822	30000	8520	17560	22565	22670	22775	22880
Transport Related Expenses								
Travel and Subsistence	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Transport Related Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	6822	30000	8520	17560	22565	22670	22775	22880
Net Surplus/Deficit	-322	-30000	-8520	-17560	-22565	-22670	-22775	-22880

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Community Committee
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General Administration

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Interest Income	52082	36000	26174	45000	38000	35000	33000	31000
Other Grants and Contributions	7811	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Income	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rent Received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	59894	36000	26174	45000	38000	35000	33000	31000
Gross Income	59894	36000	26174	45000	38000	35000	33000	31000
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Recruitment	80	500	0	500	500	500	500	500
Salaries / Wages	258644	265500	128162	270535	309900	318350	330600	343300
Training	1196	1500	35	1000	1500	1500	1500	1500
Total Employee Expenses	259920	267500	128197	272035	311900	320350	332600	345300
Premises Expenses								
Rent / Room Hire	0	200	0	330	660	660	660	660
Total Premises Expenses	0	200	0	330	660	660	660	660
Supplies and Services								
Books and Publications	119	150	0	200	150	150	150	150
Contract Payments	3962	4300	2650	4300	4500	4700	4900	5100
Subscriptions	8055	8875	7618	8875	9300	9780	10,270	10790
Insurances	11519	11920	12034	12100	12630	13270	13930	14630
IT / Communications	17180	15500	8934	16000	16500	17080	17940	18840
Miscellaneous Expenses	2199	1900	622	1500	1575	1650	1725	1800
Office Supplies	3093	1600	852	1600	1680	1760	1850	1940
Printing and Stationery	1575	1500	747	1500	1575	1650	1740	1820
Publicity	0	1000	250	500	500	500	500	500
Total Supplies and Services	47703	46745	33707	46575	48410	50540	53005	55570
Transport Related Expenses								
Travel and Subsistence	520	425	438	600	550	550	550	550
Total Transport Related Expenses	520	425	438	600	550	550	550	550
Total Operating Expenses	308143	314870	162341.69	319540	361520	372100	386815	402080
Net Surplus/Deficit (-)	-248249	-278870	-136167	-274540	-323520	-337100	-353815	-371080

1. Confidential waste recycling, audit and payroll
2. CALC,SWC, SLCC, Worknest,CIPD and PMA
3. Telephones, internet, software licences and IT support

Committee
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Library

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions								
Library Income	189	100	85	150	150	150	150	150
Rent Received	6079	5600	3678	5600	5600	5600	5600	5600
Total Income	6278	5710	3773	5760	5760	5760	5760	5760
Gross Income	6278	5710	3773	5760	5760	5760	5760	5760
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Recruitment	80	500	80	500	500	500	500	500
Salaries / Wages	186944	215700	107274	211085	224915	233225	242550	252250
Training	150	500	0	500	500	500	500	500
Total Employee Expenses	187174	216700	107354	212085	225915	234225	243550	253250
Premises Expenses								
Cleaning & Domestic Supplies	12872	12650	6582	13220	13750	14250	14850	15400
Electricity/Gas	12383	15275	1938	12500	13100	13850	15200	16800
Grounds Maintenance Supplies	860	1000	0	500	500	500	500	500
Rates	15101	15100	8441	15100	15100	15100	15100	15100
Rent / Room Hire	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	8213	7500	4167	7500	7500	7500	7500	7500
Water	906	1050	695	1050	1100	1160	1220	1280
Total Premises Expenses	50337	52575	21823	49871	51051	52361	54371	56581
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	2931	3500	2450	3500	3675	3860	4050	4250
IT / Communications	260	260	130	260	260	260	260	260
Miscellaneous Expenses	1439	500	644	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
Office Supplies	1207	950	595	1100	1100	1100	1100	1100
Printing and Stationery	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protective Clothing	0	50	0	50	50	50	50	50
Total Supplies and Services	5837	5360	3818.78	5910	6085	6270	6460	6660
Transport Related Expenses								
Travel and Subsistence	139	130	72	130	130	130	130	130
Total Transport Related Expenses	138.93	130	72	130	130	130	130	130
Total Operating Expenses	243487	274765	133068	267996	283181	292986	304511	316621
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	-237209	-269055	-129295	-262236	-277421	-287226	-298751	-310861

Committee F & GP Committee
Budget Officer SG

Misc. projects and grants

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions	0							
Other Income	0							
Total Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	461	250	706	750	500	500	500	500
Grants	19250	25000	12250	25000	25000	25000	25000	25000
Miscellaneous Expenses	650	2000	0	15000	2000	2000	2000	2000
Small Grants Scheme	7936	8000	3450	8000	10000	10000	10000	10000
Total Supplies and Services	28298	35250	16406.4	48750	37500	37500	37500	37500
Total Operating Expenses	28298	35250	16406	48750	37500	37500	37500	37500
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	-28298	-35250	-16406	-48750	-37500	-37500	-37500	-37500

Notes:

1. Christmas lights, Arts Centre, Youth Council and others
2. Speed camera

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Parks And Open Spaces **Inc. Polair, Bethel and Truro Road Parks**

	2024/25	2025/26	Actual to	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
	Actual	Original	20.10.25	Revised	Original	Projected	Projected	Projected
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions	20005	0	739	87035	0	0	0	0
Other Income	2204	1300	3401	3400	2400	2400	2400	2400
Rent Received	300	350	300	300	350	350	350	350
Total Income	22509	1650	4440	90735	2750	2750	2750	2750
Gross Income	22509	1650	4440	90735	2750	2750	2750	2750
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Recruitment	0	300	0	300	300	300	300	300
Salaries / Wages	265178	309100	142830	302685	344980	357940	371380	385360
Training	2265	1750	0	1750	1750	1750	1750	1750
Total Employee Expenses	267443	311150	142830	304735	347030	359990	373430	387410
Premises Expenses								
Cleaning & Domestic Supplies	0	250	0	250	250	250	250	250
Electricity	7424	9800	3327	7800	8110	8435	8780	9130
Grounds Maintenance Supplies	25550	24150	12883	24150	25350	26610	27940	29340
Play Equipment	55281	50000	2576	50000	50000	50000	50000	50000
Repairs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	12816	14000	7223	14000	14500	15000	15500	16000
Water	453	735	315	735	770	810	850	890
Total Premises Expenses	101526	98935	26324	96935	98980	101105	103320	105610
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	29587	42000	17362	130885	37000	38850	40790	42830
IT / Communications	1773	280	172	300	310	325	340	360
Miscellaneous Expenses	3310	10000	2112	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000
Protective Clothing	2594	2800	1590	2800	2940	3090	3240	3400
Total Supplies and Services	37265	55080	21235.61	137985	44250	46265	48370	50590
Transport Related Expenses								
Other Transport/plant expenses	673	350	0	350	350	350	350	350
Total Transport Related Expenses	673	350	0	350	350	350	350	350
Total Operating Expenses	406907	465515	190389	540005	490610	507710	525470	543960
Net Profit	-384398	-463865	-185949	-449270	-487860	-504960	-522720	-541210

Notes:
1. Sponsorship and insurance claims received.

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Priory Car Park

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Car Park Income	265360	240000	160749	277000	265000	265000	265000	265000
Total Income	265360	240000	160749	277000	265000	265000	265000	265000
Gross Income	265360	240000	160749	277000	265000	265000	265000	265000
Less Operating Expenses								
Premises Expenses								
Grounds Maintenance Supplies	725	500	0	500	500	500	500	500
Rates	26418	29750	29322	49425	52250	55500	56500	57500
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	14387	12000	1481	12000	12000	12000	12000	12000
Total Premises Expenses	41530	42250	30803	61925	64750	68000	69000	70000
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	31362	24675	19388	35750	37180	38670	40215	41820
Miscellaneous Expenses	4550	4560	3738	6770	7040	7320	7610	7920
Printing and Stationery	1236	2000	1894	1900	2000	2200	2310	2400
Total Supplies and Services	37148	31235	25020	44420	46220	48190	50135	52140
Transport Related Expenses								
Repairs/ Maintenance-Vehicles/Plant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Transport Related Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	78678	73485	55823	106345	110970	116190	119135	122140
Net Surplus/Deficit	186682	166515	104926	170655	154030	148810	145865	142860

1. Resurfacing works etc
2. Cale Briparc - maintenance and sim cards, G4S cash collection, CC enforcement, phone app fees.
3. Tickets

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Public Rights of Way

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions								
Other Income	1017	1030	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	1017	1030	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	1017	1030	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Expenses								
Total Supplies and Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	1017	1030	0	0	0	0	0	0

1. Assumes more work absorbed in-house to reduce contract costs

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Public Conveniences

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2028/30 Projected £
Income								
Public Convenience Charges	2372	2650	1206	2400	2400	2400	2400	2400
Total Income	2372	2650	1206	2400	2400	2400	2400	2400
Gross Income	2372	2650	1206	2400	2400	2400	2400	2400
Less Operating Expenses								
Premises Expenses								
Electricity	612	710	312	640	675	710	740	780
Rates	162	155	0	165	165	165	165	165
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	12435	3500	10916	13000	5000	5000	5000	5000
Water	733	840	651	1350	1420	1490	1560	1640
Total Premises Expenses	13942	5205	11878	15155	7260	7365	7465	7585
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	21280	22500	15510	22000	23000	24000	25000	26000
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supplies and Services	21280	22500	15510	22000	23000	24000	25000	26000
Total Operating Expenses	35222	27705	27388	37155	30260	31365	32465	33585
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	-32849	-25055	-26182	-34755	-27860	-28965	-30065	-31185

1. Cleaning contract

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Stable Block

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Income			2558	2560	0	0	0	0
Rent Received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	0	0	2558	2560	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	0	0	2558	2560	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Premises Expenses								
Cleaning & Domestic Supplies	7449	8140	4456	7900	8295	8710	9150	9610
Electricity	0	0	0	8000	18000	18900	19850	20840
Grounds Maintenance Supplies	0	100	0	100	100	100	100	100
Rates	0	0	0	5000	15000	15000	15000	15000
Rent / Room Hire	5540	10000	2478	7240	10800	13990	17180	19300
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	921	3000	949	5000	5000	3000	3000	3000
Water				500	2000	2100	2200	2300
Total Premises Expenses	13910	21240	7883	33740	59195	61800	66480	70150
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	2700	1300	1103	2000	2100	2200	2310	2430
IT / Communications	260	260	130	260	260	260	260	260
Miscellaneous Expenses	117	150	911	703	750	750	750	750
Office Supplies	199	200	0	200	200	200	200	200
Total Supplies and Services	3276.03	1910	2144	3163	3310	3410	3520	3640
Total Operating Expenses	17186	23150	10027	36903	62505	65210	70000	73790
Net Surplus/Deficit(,)	-17186	-23150	-7469	-34343	-62505	-65210	-70000	-73790

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The House / Youth Services

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Rent Received	10000	10000	5000	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000
Total Income	10,000	10,000	5,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Gross Income	10,000	10,000	5,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Less Operating Expenses								
Premises Expenses								
Electricity/Gas	200	0	0					
Repairs / Maintenance Premises	518	1500	0	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500
Water								
Total Premises Expenses	718	1500	0	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments								
Grants and Subscriptions	20000	20000	10000	20000	20000	20000	20000	20000
Insurances								
Miscellaneous Expenses	0				0			
Total Supplies and Services	20000	20000	10000	20000	20000	20000	20000	20000
Total Operating Expenses	20718	21500	10000	21500	21500	21500	21500	21500
Net Surplus/Deficit	-10718	-11500	-5000	-11500	-11500	-11500	-11500	-11500

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Town Centre Revitalisation

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Grants and Contributions	174088	0	57500	131510				
Total Income	174088	0	57500	131510	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	174088	0	57500	131510	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Employee Expenses								
Salaries / Wages	19755	3600	10564	21130				
Total Employee Expenses	19755	3600	10564	21130	0	0	0	0
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	5000	0	0	0				
Miscellaneous Expenses	146502	25000	114691	183350	25000	0	0	0
Total Supplies and Services	151502	25000	114691	183350	25000	0	0	0
Transport Related Expenses								
Travel and Subsistence	8							
Total Transport Related Expenses	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	171264	28600	125254	204480	25000	0	0	0
Net Surplus/Deficit(-)	2823	-28600	-67754	-72970	-25000	0	0	0

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Transport and Plant

	2024/25 Actual £	2025/26 Original £	Actual to 20.10.25 £	2025/26 Revised £	2026/27 Original £	2027/28 Projected £	2028/29 Projected £	2029/30 Projected £
Income								
Other Income	0	0	7125	7125	0	0	0	0
Total Income	0	0	7125	7125	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	0	0	7125	7125	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Supplies and Services								
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supplies and Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport Related Expenses								
Contract Hire and Operating Leases	855	550	1112	2000	1000	1000	1000	1000
Fuel	11238	12360	6354	12360	12980	13630	14310	15030
Other Transport/plant expenses	26868	27500	26227	27500	28860	30300	31820	33410
Repairs/ Maintenance-Vehicles/Plant	16283	7610	4360	7610	7990	8390	8810	9250
Road Fund / Taxes	1350	1420	611	1420	1490	1565	1640	1720
Transport Insurance	4530	4200	4789	4789	5030	5280	5540	5820
Total Transport Related Expenses	61124	53640	43452	55679	57350	60165	63120	66230
Total Operating Expenses	61124	53640	43452	55679	57350	60165	63120	66230
Net Surplus/Deficit (-)	-61124	-53640	-36327	-48554	-57350	-60165	-63120	-66230

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Tregonissey Lane End Car Park

	2024/25	2025/26	Actual to	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
	Actual	Original	20.10.25	Revised	Original	Projected	Projected	Projected
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income								
Car Park Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gross Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Operating Expenses								
Premises Expenses								
Electricity	0		0	0	0	0	0	
Grounds Maintenance	0		0	0	0	0	0	
Supplies	499	580	389	500	500	500	500	500
Rates	0	250	537	800	250	250	250	250
Repairs / Maintenance								
Premises								
Water								
Total Premises Expenses	499	830	926	1300	750	750	750	750
Supplies and Services								
Contract Payments	0	500	0	500	500	500	500	500
Miscellaneous Expenses								
Total Supplies and Services	0	500	0	500	500	500	500	500
Total Operating Expenses	499	1330	926	1800	1250	1250	1250	1250
Net Surplus/Deficit (-)	-499	-1330	-926	-1800	-1250	-1250	-1250	-1250

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Appendix 2

2025/26 City and Town Council Precepts

Council	2025/26 Precept £	Council Tax Band D £
Falmouth	3,677,262.79	444.06
Truro	3,197,995.00	420.81
Newquay	2,851,214.00	300.98
Penzance	2,499,750.00	327.03
Bodmin	1,914,498.00	376.76
St Ives	1,680,336.00	274.06
Camborne	1,678,964.00	255.73
Saltash	1,579,415.00	275.92
Redruth	1,381,718.00	299.06
Bude-Stratton	1,376,920.00	313.01
St Austell	1,301,100.00	197.20
Launceston	1,162,399.00	355.46
Hayle	1,059,530.00	320.56
Helston	945,950.00	251.91
Wadebridge	784,606.00	297.42

COUNCIL TAX PROJECTIONS

Appendix 3

Percentage increase		8.47%									
BAND	Total No.	% of total	CTS No.	% on CTS	Council Tax		Assuming no CTS		With CTS		
					2024/25 £	2025/26 £	Annual increase £	Weekly increase £	Annual increase £	Weekly increase £	
A	2784	29.11%	1228	44.11%	131.47	142.61	11.14	0.21	2.79	0.05	
B	2637	27.58%	578	21.92%	153.38	166.37	12.99	0.25	3.25	0.06	
C	2453	25.65%	270	11.01%	175.29	190.14	14.85	0.29	3.71	0.07	
D	1114	11.65%	80	7.18%	197.20	213.90	16.70	0.32	4.18	0.08	
E	452	4.73%	17	3.76%	241.02	261.43	20.41	0.39	5.10	0.10	
F	83	0.87%	1	1.20%	284.84	308.97	24.13	0.46	6.03	0.12	
G	38	0.40%	1	2.63%	328.67	356.51	27.84	0.54	6.96	0.14	
H	2	0.02%	0	0.00%	394.40	427.81	33.41	0.64	8.35	0.16	
Total	9563	100.00%	2175	22.74%							

RESERVES SUMMARY 2024/25, 2025/26 AND 2026/27

APPENDIX 4

	Actual		Estimates		Estimates		31.3.27
	1.4.24	Additions	Reductions	31.3.25	Additions	Reductions	
PROJECTS RESERVE TOTALS	98772.28	180574.54	10998.14	268348.68	27000.00	34264.00	261084.68
ELECTIONS RESERVE	25000.00	10000.00	0.00	35000.00	0.00	0.00	35000.00
PLAY EQUIPMENT REPAIR & RENEWALS	404676.50	35000.00	0.00	439676.50	40000.00	0.00	519676.50
TOTAL EARMARKED RESERVES	528448.78	225574.54	10998.14	743025.18	67000.00	34264.00	815761.18
GENERAL RESERVE	379652.61	38675.22	0	418327.83	7271.00	0	425598.83
TOTAL RESERVES	908101.39	264249.76	10998.14	1161353.01	74271	34264	1241584.01

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BUDGETS

2025/2026				2026/2027		
Gross Expenditure £	Income £	Net Expenditure £		Gross Expenditure £	Income £	Net Expenditure £
250	50	200	Allotments	600	75	525
111,880	0	111,880	CCTV and Security	132,700	0	132,700
47,200	0	47,200	Civic expenses including elections	11,100	0	11,100
5,750	0	5,750	Climate Change	5,750	0	5,750
30,000	0	30,000	Events	22,565	0	22,565
314,870	36,000	278,870	General Administration	361,520	38,000	323,520
274,765	5,710	269,055	Library	283,181	5,760	277,421
35,250	0	35,250	Misc. Projects and Grants	37,500	0	37,500
465,515	2,680	462,835	Parks and Open Spaces	490,610	2,750	487,860
74,815	240,000	-165,185	Car Parks	112,220	265,000	-152,780
27,705	2,650	25,055	Public Conveniences	30,260	2,400	27,860
23,150	0	23,150	Office and Depot Costs	62,505	0	62,505
21,500	10,000	11,500	The House and Youth Services	21,500	10,000	11,500
28,600	0	28,600	Town Centre Revitalisation	25,000	0	25,000
53,640	0	53,640	Transport and Plant	57,350	0	57,350
43,000	0	43,000	Contingency	50,000	0	50,000
1,557,890	297,090	1,260,800		1,704,361	323,985	1,380,376
40,300	0	40,300	Contributions to Reserves	40,224	0	40,224
	0	0	Contributions from Reserves		0	0
1,598,190	297,090	1,301,100		1,744,585	323,985	1,420,600

Estimated Reserves at: -

31st March 2026
31st March 2027

General Fund

£425,599
£425,824

Specific Reserves

£775,761
£815,761

		Full time	Part time
Employees at: -	31 st March 2026	11	11
	31 st March 2027	12	12

St Austell Town Council owns or manages; 17 parks and open spaces, 11 play areas, 2 car parks (Priory Road and Tregonissey Lane End), 25 CCTV cameras (mainly in the town centre), St Austell Library and The House Youth Centre.

St Austell Library is one of the busiest libraries in Cornwall with on average 300 people visiting the building every day. It is open 6 days a week and offers a large range of reading material, children and older persons activities, reading and writing groups, public computers, free Wi-Fi, regular drop-in events from outside organisations and a variety of events organised by the Library Support Association (SALSA).

The Town Council leases "The House" youth centre on Carlyon Road to Young People Cornwall and provides an annual grant to assist their social, educational and wellbeing work with a wide range of young people, many of whom are struggling through no fault of their own. It is hoped that a Youth Council will be set up within the next few months and will be a forum for young people to express their views to Town Councillors on what is important to them.

During the year we have continued to invest in and enhance parks and play equipment and during the summer months carried out the grass cutting on the highways verges and residential areas on behalf of Cornwall Council. The Council is committed to reducing its carbon footprint and since 2017 has planted 700 trees, created a number of wildflower areas and re-cycled plants and shrubs where it can.

One of the most exciting projects the Town Council has completed this year is the pump track at The Meadows (behind Bishop Bronscombe School). The design and quality of the finished track has attracted people from across Cornwall and due to its clever design can accommodate beginners as well as advanced riders.

The Town Council has co-ordinated an extensive town centre improvement project with a partnership representing businesses, councillors and the voluntary sector with funding from Cornwall Council. This year funding has been obtained to replace the faded banners on the Poundland building and create a piazza and sustainable planting at the Holy Trinity Church.

The Council has worked closely with Cornwall Council, the Police and other agencies to reduce anti-social behaviour in and around the town centre. The measures undertaken include funding for security staff (jointly with St Austell BID) and the maintenance and monitoring (almost 24/7) of 25 CCTV cameras in and around the town centre.

The Town Council's Planning and Regeneration Committee is consulted on planning applications by Cornwall Council and in the last year has responded to over 120 planning applications.

Councillors have agreed to set a precept which equates to a Council Tax charge of £213.90 (for Band D properties). This compares very favourably with other large Town Councils in Cornwall. Full details of the Council's budgets for the 2025/26 and 2026/27 financial years are available from the Town Clerk, The Stable Block, Pondhu House, Penwinnick Road, St Austell, Cornwall, PL25 5DP. Telephone: 01726 829859 or e-mail david.pooley@staustell-tc.gov.uk More details about the Town Council are available on our website at www.staustell-tc.gov.uk