

**Budget Performance**  
**Budget Forecasts**  
**Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council**  
All figures include VAT

**Receipts**

	Annual Budget 2025	YTD Actual Aug 2024	Predicted Year End 24/25	2025-26	Comments 25/26
<b>Precept</b>	£ 713,164.00	£ 713,164.00	£ 713,164.00	£ 909,440.00	
<b>Other income</b>	£ 30,000.00	£ 1,000.00	£ 30,000.00	£ -	net accounting from 2024-25
<b>Bank Interest</b>	£ 2,000.00	£ 2,411.00	£ 2,500.00	£ 7,000.00	
<b>CIL receipts</b>	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	
<b>Allotment rents</b>	£ 1,630.00	£ 1,525.00	£ 1,630.00	£ 1,630.00	
	<b>£ 746,794.00</b>	<b>£ 718,099.00</b>	<b>£ 747,294.00</b>	<b>£ 951,700.00</b>	

**Payments**

	Annual Budget 2025	YTD Actual Aug 2024	Predicted Year End 24/25	25-26	
<b>Central Support</b>					
Staff Costs	£ 365,000.00	£ 102,804.00	£ 310,000.00	£ 375,000.00	Replace Admin officer role with Comms officer role (including event coord) incl NI uplift
Town Rangers x 3				£ 120,000.00	Staff costs doesn't include equipment/tools - could use future asset fund for this
Bank Charges	£ 85.00	£ 40.00	£ 80.00	£ 100.00	No change
Staff mileage and event costs	£ 2,000.00	£ 514.00	£ 719.60	£ 1,000.00	Reduce
Recruitment	£ 250.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	Remove as not required
Training	£ 2,000.00	£ -	£ 2,000.00	£ 2,000.00	No change
<b>Premises Costs</b>					
Rent and Rates	£ 25,000.00	£ 13,555.00	£ 25,000.00	£ 28,000.00	£16000 Rent £500 Insurance £8600 Rates - include poss rise in rates
Utilities	£ 12,000.00	£ 1,842.00	£ 12,000.00	£ 15,000.00	Possible increases
Security, caretaking and cleaning	£ 5,000.00	£ 1,304.00	£ 4,000.00	£ 5,000.00	No change
Furniture	£ 5,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	Remove as no further furniture required for Hub
Meeting Room Hire	£ 6,500.00	£ 1,520.00	£ 6,500.00	£ 1,700.00	Reduce as using BSCC
<b>Computers and Equip</b>					
ITC Hardware and software	£ 7,500.00	£ 6,692.00	£ 7,500.00	£ 10,000.00	Increase - councillor devices to be included
Streaming				£ 15,000.00	Reserves used in 2024-25 - just stream Full Council to save??
<b>Engagement and Communication</b>					
Printing, Publications and advertising	£ 5,000.00	£ 7,500.00	£ 8,000.00	£ 8,000.00	Bexhill News and marketing, banners, posters for council events
Events	£ 18,000.00	£ 8,131.00	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,000.00	Bexhill Day, Remembrance etc.
Bexhill Carnival Contribution	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00		Year 2 of 3 in earmarked reserve
18 Hours Contribution	£ -	£ 3,000.00	£ 3,000.00	£ 3,000.00	Year 2 of 3
Noticeboards	£ 5,000.00	£ -	£ -		Remove as all boards paid for and installed
Event Roadclosures	£ -	£ 15,000.00	£ 15,000.00	£ 15,000.00	Christmas/Remembrance/Markets
<b>Christmas Lights</b>					
Central	£ 30,000.00	£ 543.00	£ 55,000.00	£ 55,000.00	Increase to £55k to keep lights at same level as 2024
Little Common	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	No change
Sidley	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	No change
<b>Amenities</b>					
Additional Verge cutting	£ 24,309.00	£ 24,309.00	£ 24,309.00	£ 26,000.00	
Future Projects	£ 5,000.00	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	
Domesday Project	£ 10,000.00	£ 4,025.00	£ 9,800.00	£ 10,000.00	
Bexhill In Bloom Projects	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	
Grit Bins	£ 1,500.00	£ -	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00	
<b>Planning and Development</b>					
Neighbourhood Plan	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	
<b>Member Representation</b>					
Election costs	£ 32,500.00	£ -	£ 32,500.00	£ 16,250.00	
Mayors Allowance	£ 5,000.00	£ 290.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	
Members expenses	£ 500.00	£ -	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	
Members training	£ 7,500.00	£ 907.00	£ 7,500.00	£ 4,000.00	
<b>Allotments</b>					
Maintenance	£ 4,000.00	£ 3,747.00	£ 4,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£17,150 Transferred from EMR 351
Water	£ 650.00	£ 12.00	£ 650.00	£ 650.00	
<b>Other Costs</b>					
Insurance	£ 2,500.00	£ 2,107.00	£ 2,500.00	£ 3,000.00	
External Audit Fees	£ 1,500.00	£ -	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00	
Internal Audit Fees	£ 500.00	£ 159.00	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	
Legal and professional fees	£ 10,000.00	£ 7,290.00	£ 1,000.00	£ 10,000.00	
Subscriptions	£ 5,000.00	£ 3,997.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	
Repairs and Renewals	£ 5,000.00	£ (6,893.00)	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£8600 EMR Security Door, Bus Shelter Cleaning X2
Grants and Community Support	£ 42,000.00	£ 7,214.00	£ 42,000.00	£ 42,000.00	£15,000 Transferred from EMR 339 Grants
CCTV	£ 55,000.00	£ -	£ 55,000.00	£ 30,000.00	2024-25 paid for camera upgrades, 2025-26 budget for park cameras
CCTV Chromavision Contract				£ 7,000.00	
Future Asset Fund	£ 25,000.00	£ 25,000.00		£ 25,000.00	
Reserves				£ 25,000.00	Adding to reserves to reach 3 to 12 months net revenue expenditure
Maintenance of WCs				£ 42,000.00	£22k cleaning DVSQ + CVE + £20k maintenance/repairs
Bus Shelters				£ 10,000.00	Cleaning and maintenance
	<b>£ 733,794.00</b>	<b>£ 244,609.00</b>	<b>£ 675,058.60</b>	<b>£ 951,700.00</b>	

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	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
<b>Precept</b>	£ 371,765.00	£ 390,920.00	£ 651,715.00	£ 713,164.00	£909,440.00
<b>Tax Base</b>	16456.20	16826.70	17,013.47	17,332.72	17,332.72
<b>Band D Equivalent</b>	£ 22.59	£ 23.23	£ 38.31	£ 41.15	£ 52.47
<b>Increase in £ from previous year</b>		£ 0.45	£ 0.74	£ 2.84	£ 11.32

	2024-25	2025-26	
<b>Reserves</b>			
Account	Opening Balance	Closing Balance	Prediction
EMR - Future Asset Fund	45,000.00	45,000.00	£ 70,000.00
EMR - Pebsham Playpark	45,000.00	35,000.00	£ 35,000.00
EMR - Bexhill Museum	2,000.00	2,000.00	£ 2,000.00
EMR - Repairs and Renewals	12,721.48	4,914.00	£ 4,914.00
EMR - Five year strategy	27,028.63	27,028.63	£ 27,028.63
EMR - Streaming costs	6,372.63	1,988.00	£ -
EMR - Fireproof safe	2,000.00	962.50	£ -
EMR - Devonshire Sq Toilets	-	120,000.00	£ 120,000.00
EMR - Legal Compensation	-	5,000.00	£ 5,000.00
EMR - CCTV	-	110,000.00	£ 110,000.00
EMR - Bus Shelters	-	8,358.00	£ 7,000.00
EMR - Bexhill Signage	-	0.84	£ -
EMR - Bexhill Carnival (24-26)	-	10,000.00	£ 10,000.00
EMR - Event Road Closures	10,890.00	-	£ -
EMR - Election Expenses	32,500.00	32,500.00	£ 48,750.00
EMR - CIL 2022/23 PB Playpark	85,715.14	54,715.14	£ 54,715.14
EMR - CIL 2023/24 Allotments	56,353.14	39,203.14	£ -
EMR - CIL 2024/25	-	1,603.99	£ 1,603.99
<b>Total</b>	<b>325,581.02</b>	<b>498,274.24</b>	<b>£ 496,011.76</b>
<b>General Reserve</b>	<b>£ 282,825.00</b>	<b>£ 285,825.00</b>	<b>£ 310,825.00</b>
			£ 806,836.76

**QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS**

**Clr Andrew Crotty** My question is. That £200 a year for 18 Cllrs budget isn't enough and needs to be increased to £2000 a year.

**This can be discussed at the Full Council meeting.**

**Clr Paul Wilson**

I was taken aback about the £150k quote for the sculpture on the ravenside roundabout on Friday I'm not sure which committee that sits under and I guess the £30000 k from cil could be used together with potential cil money from RDC but I'm not sure there is anything in the budget Is it thought possible to do this in the next financial year or more likely for next year (2026/27)?

**Ex-Councillor Lynn Brailsford conducted the research individually and obtained the quote of £150,000. The committee has since agreed for a proper tender process to be carried out. No timescales have been agreed.**