



Deal Town Council, Town Hall, High Street, Deal, CT14 6TR.

To all Councillors: You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Full Council at the Town Hall on Tuesday 27 January 2026 at 7.15pm to transact the business shown on the agenda below.

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Any member of the public may submit a written statement of no more than 500 words relating to any item on this agenda. These must be received by 10am on Monday 26 January 2026 by email to deal.town.council@deal.gov.uk or post to the above address. These statements will be circulated to all councillors present at the meeting and become part of the public record of the meeting; names will be redacted.

Mrs. L Crow - Town Clerk

Date: 20.01.2026

AGENDA

1	Chairperson's opening remarks:	Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence received:	Town Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.	Attach. 1
4	The minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Full Council held on Tuesday 16 December 2025 for approval and signing: Decision required.	Attach. 2
5	Public participation and statements received: For councillor information, members of the public may make representations, answer questions, and give evidence at the meeting in respect of the business on the agenda. This shall not exceed 15 minutes.	Town Clerk
6	List of payments including payments exceeding £500 for approval and signing between 1 November 2025 and 30 November 2025 and 1 December 2025 and 31 December: Decision required	Attach. 3
7	Recommendations from the Finance & General Purposes Committee: (a) Draft budget 2026/27: Decision required (b) Precept demand 2026/27: Decision required	Attach.4 Attach.5
8	Recommendation from Transport & Infrastructure Committee re dropped kerbs: Decision required	Attach.6
9	Committee Chairperson Appointment: Decision required	Attach.7
10	Council Outside Body Representative: Decision required	Attach.8
11	Report received from Cllr S Beer Friends of North Deal event 5th December 2025: Information to note	Attach.9
12	Deal Town Council Committee Minutes: Information to note (a) The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10.11.25 (b) The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 08.12.25 (c) The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 17.09.25 (d) The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 19.11.25	Attach 10 Attach 11 Attach 12 Attach 13

	(e) The minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 23.09.25	Attach 14
	(f) The minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 18.11.25	Attach 15
	Date of next meeting: 24 February 2026	
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Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)

Where a Member has a new or registered DPI in a matter under consideration, they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensation, withdraw from the meeting.

Other Significant Interest (OSI)

Where a Member is declaring an OSI they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of or vote taken on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

Voluntary Announcement of Other Interests (VAOI)

Where a Member does not have either a DPI or OSI but is of the opinion that for transparency reasons alone s/he should make an announcement in respect of a matter under consideration, they can make a VAOI. A Member declaring a VAOI may still remain at the meeting and vote on the matter under consideration.

Note to the Code:

Situations in which a Member may wish to make a VAOI include membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items; where a Member knows a person involved but does not have a close association with that person; or where an item would affect the well-being of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position. It should be emphasised that an effect on the financial position of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. OR an application made by a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. would both probably constitute either an OSI or in some cases a DPI.

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The Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of Full Council meeting held at the Town Hall on
Tuesday 16 December 2025 at 6.30pm.

Present: Cllr M Eddy (Chairperson) Cllr P Findley (Vice Chairperson)
Cllr B Bano Cllr S Beer
Cllr L Craggs Cllr S Cullen
Cllr M Walters Cllr O Richardson
Cllr D Parks
Cllr P Jull

Officers: Mrs L Crow (Town Clerk) Others: None present
Mr P Bone (Responsible Finance Officer)

1	Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson read the fire evacuation procedures and welcomed everyone to the meeting.	Chairperson
2	Apologies for Absence received: Councillor T Bond due to a personal commitment, and Cllr M Cronk, Cllr D Cronk and Cllr A Friend due to work commitments. Absent: Cllr Brookfield	Town Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: None received.	
4	The minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 25 November 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 25 November 2025 as a true and accurate record. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr B Bano All agreed The Chairperson duly signed the minutes.	Chairperson
5	Public participation and statements received: None received.	
6	Resolution to exclude the public: Members RESOLVED: To exclude the members of the public on the grounds that the information to be discussed is of a confidential nature. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr S Beer 9 for 1 abstention, Agreed The Chairperson requested that any recording devices were now switched off	
7	Staff Liaison Panel Report: Members RESOLVED: To accept the recommendations. (P) Cllr S Beer (S) Cllr L Craggs 9 for 1 against, Agreed	
	The Chairperson closed the meeting at 19:12.	

Deal Town Council
Nat West Combined A/C's

List of Payments made between 01/11/2025 and 30/11/2025

Date Paid	Payee Name	Transaction Detail	Amount Paid
03/11/2025	VIC YOUNG SS	TOWN CAR LEASE	£ 390.89
03/11/2025	SCREWFIX ACCOUNT	MAINTENANCE ITEMS TH	£ 148.86
04/11/2025	BRITISH	INTERNET TOWN HALL	£ 61.14
05/11/2025	VODAFONE BUSINESS	WORK MOBILE PHONES	£ 143.67
06/11/2025	WALMER LAWN TENNIS &	REFUND OF TH HIRE	£ 180.00
06/11/2025	NEATHOUSE PARTNERS	HR & HS TOWN HALL	£ 366.00
06/11/2025	FCS EXTERIOR CLEANING	WINDOW CLEANING TH	£ 230.00
06/11/2025	FCS EXTERIOR CLEANING	PRESSURE WASH TH	£ 220.00
06/11/2025	WALKER HIGHWAYS	ROAD CLOSURES SAT MKT	£ 1,320.00
10/11/2025	MICHAEL BENNETT	SCULPTURE 3RD PAY	£ 1,753.49
10/11/2025	GLOBAL4 TELECOM	LANDLINE TH	£ 375.53
11/11/2025	DEAL & DISTRICT FLOWER	PYMT MADE IN ERROR	£ 56.00
11/11/2025	CLEVERLEY & SPENCER	HOLOCAUST STONE MAIN	£ 207.60
17/11/2025	CITY OF SANCTUARY UK	AWARD FEE	£ 150.00
17/11/2025	CC DEAL HOSPITAL GARDEN	GRANT NOV 25	£ 949.00
17/11/2025	BUSINESS STREAM	WATER TOWN HALL	£ 491.32
17/11/2025	DNA PAYMENTS	CARD MACHINE VIC	£ 31.80
17/11/2025	NAT WEST	BANK CHARGES	£ 38.05
18/11/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	EE's PENSION	£ 1,462.45
18/11/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	ERs PENSION	£ 5,799.29
19/11/2025	PHILLIP VALLANCE	ALLOT MAINT PA	£ 146.00
19/11/2025	PHILLIP VALLANCE	ALLOT MAINT GR	£ 146.00
19/11/2025	PHILLIP VALLANCE	ALLOT MAINT MR	£ 148.00
19/11/2025	ADM COMPUTER SERVICES	IT SUPPORT TH	£ 977.86
19/11/2025	KENT PA HIRE LTD	PA HIRE REMEMBRANCE	£ 230.00
19/11/2025	CHUBB	ANNUAL FEE ALARM TH	£ 1,719.69
19/11/2025	DOVER DISTRICT C	BUSINESS RATES	£ 1,272.00
19/11/2025	STAFF NET PAY	NET PAY	£ 20,236.10
19/11/2025	CLLR ALLOWANCES	CLLR ALLOWANCES	£ 2,250.00
20/11/2025	YOUNG's NURSERIES	U/C DECORATIONS	£ 97.00
21/11/2025	SSE	ELECTRICITY TH	£ 682.92
21/11/2025	BUSINESS STREAM	WATER PA ALLOTS	£ 452.69
21/11/2025	HMRC	PAYE EE	£ 4,003.52
21/11/2025	HMRC	EE NI	£ 967.68
21/11/2025	HMRC	ER NI	£ 3,403.12
24/11/2025	ACAS	STAFF TRAINING	£ 270.00
24/11/2025	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS	PHOTOCOPIES TH	£ 85.37
24/11/2025	2235 DEAL SQUADRON AIR	GRANT NOV 25	£ 759.96
24/11/2025	SANDOWN SCHOOL PTA	GRANT NOV 25	£ 1,000.00
24/11/2025	AGE UK SOUTH KENT COAST	GRANT NOV 25	£ 1,000.00
24/11/2025	SAMPHIRE R/C 1106667	GRANT NOV 25	£ 500.00
24/11/2025	DEAL & WALMER CHAMBER	COMMUNITY GRANT	£ 2,000.00
24/11/2025	BUSINESS STREAM	WATER GR ALLOTS	£ 80.00
26/11/2025	RG WILLIAMS	REPLACE VALVE MR	£ 76.98
26/11/2025	RG WILLIAMS	REPAIR TAPS AT T HAL	£ 68.00
27/11/2025	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS	PHOTO COPIER LEASE	£ 139.32

27/11/2025	T DENNE AND SONS	WILDFLOWER SEEDS	£	598.99
27/11/2025	BAKER ROSS	SANTA GROTTO GIFTS	£	187.40
27/11/2025	SUPREME BEDDING LTD	RUBBER SAFETY MATS SM	£	61.98
28/11/2025	SUEZ RECYCLING AND	WASTE & RECYCLING TH	£	120.95
28/11/2025	NAT WEST	BANK CHARGES	£	102.44
			£	58,159.06

Deal Town Council

Nat West Combined A/C's

List of Payments over £500 made between 01/11/2025 and 30/11/2025

Date Paid	Payee Name	Transaction Detail	Amount Paid	
06/11/2025	WALKER HIGHWAYS	ROAD CLOSURES SAT MK	£	1,320.00
10/11/2025	MICHAEL BENNETT	SCULPTURE 3RD PAY	£	1,753.49
17/11/2025	CC DEAL HOSPITAL GARDEN	GRANT NOV 25	£	949.00
18/11/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	EE's PENSION	£	1,462.45
18/11/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	ERs PENSION	£	5,799.29
19/11/2025	ADM COMPUTER SERVICES	IT SUPPORT TH	£	977.86
19/11/2025	CHUBB	ANNUAL FEE ALARM TH	£	1,719.69
19/11/2025	DOVER DISTRICT C	BUSINESS RATES	£	1,272.00
19/11/2025	STAFF NET PAY	NET PAY	£	20,236.10
19/11/2025	CLLR ALLOWANCES	CLLR ALLOWANCES	£	2,250.00
21/11/2025	SSE	ELECTRICITY TH	£	682.92
21/11/2025	HMRC	PAYE EE	£	4,003.52
21/11/2025	HMRC	EE NI	£	967.68
21/11/2025	HMRC	ER NI	£	3,403.12
24/11/2025	2235 DEAL SQUADRON AIR	GRANT NOV 25	£	759.96
24/11/2025	SANDOWN SCHOOL PTA	GRANT NOV 25	£	1,000.00
24/11/2025	AGE UK SOUTH KENT COAST	GRANT NOV 25	£	1,000.00
24/11/2025	SAMPHIRE R/C 1106667	GRANT NOV 25	£	500.00
24/11/2025	DEAL & WALMER CHAMBER	COMMUNITY GRANT	£	2,000.00
27/11/2025	T DENNE AND SONS	WILDFLOWER SEEDS	£	598.99
			£	52,656.07

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Nat West Combined A/C's

List of Payments made between 01/12/2025 and 31/12/2025

Date Paid	Payee Name	Transaction Detail	Amount Paid
01/12/2025	SCREWFIX ACCOUNT	UC PADLOCKS LOCK TH	£ 62.97
01/12/2025	VIC YOUNG SS	OFFICIAL CAR LEASE	£ 390.89
04/12/2025	VISION ICT LTD	WEBSITE HOSTING & SUP	£ 324.00
04/12/2025	MICHAEL BENNETT	SCULPTURE 4th PYMT	£ 1,500.00
05/12/2025	BRITISH TELECOM	BT INTERNET	£ 61.14
08/12/2025	VODAFONE BUSINESS	STAFF MOBILE PHONES	£ 143.67
09/12/2025	BAKER ROSS	SANTA GIFTS SAT MKT	£ 208.88
09/12/2025	GLOBAL4 TELECOM	LANDLINE TH	£ 266.34
10/12/2025	WALKER HIGHWAYS	ROAD CLOSURES SAT MKT	£ 1,650.00
10/12/2025	CHARTER TRUSTEES	MAYOR EVENT MARGATE	£ 50.00
10/12/2025	NEATHOUSE PARTNERS	H& S AND HR TH	£ 366.00
10/12/2025	GUIDELINE LIFT SERVICE	LIFT MAINT TOWN HALL	£ 173.06
10/12/2025	PHILLIP VALLANCE	MAINT MR ALLOTS	£ 146.00
10/12/2025	PHILLIP VALLANCE	MAINT PA ALLOTS	£ 148.00
10/12/2025	PHILLIP VALLANCE	MAINT GR ALLOTS	£ 146.00
15/12/2025	DNA PAYMENTS	TERMINAL CHARGES VIC	£ 31.68
15/12/2025	NAT WEST	BANK CHARGES	£ 49.45
17/12/2025	BP DRAINS	DRAINS SURVEY TH	£ 288.00
17/12/2025	ALLOTMENT HOLDER	REF OF DUPLICATE PAY	£ 29.76
17/12/2025	CONF. CINQUE PORTS	RETIREMENT CONT'n	£ 30.00
18/12/2025	STALLHOLDER	REF OF MKT PYMT	£ 37.50
18/12/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	EE's PENSION	£ 1,462.45
18/12/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	ERs PENSION	£ 5,799.29
19/12/2025	DOVER DISTRICT C	BUSINESS RATES	£ 1,272.00
19/12/2025	STAFF NET PAY	NET PAY	£ 22,364.82
22/12/2025	ADM COMPUTER SER	IT SUPPORT TH	£ 988.06
22/12/2025	BUSINESS STREAM	WATER GR ALLOTS DEC 25	£ 80.00
22/12/2025	HMRC	PAYE EE	£ 4,462.34
22/12/2025	HMRC	EE NI	£ 967.68
22/12/2025	HMRC	ER NI	£ 3,386.19
23/12/2025	VIKING OFFICE DEPOT	STATIONERY TH	£ 148.50
31/12/2025	SUEZ RECYCLING AND	WASTE & RECYCLING TH	£ 126.65
31/12/2025	NAT WEST	BANK CHARGES	£ 78.40
			£ 47,239.72

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List of Payments over £500 made between 01/12/2025 and 31/12/2025

Date Paid	Payee Name	Transaction Detail	Amount Paid
04/12/2025	MICHAEL BENNETT	SCULPTURE 4 th PYMT	£ 1,500.00
10/12/2025	WALKER HIGHWAYS	ROAD CLOSURES SAT MKT	£ 1,650.00
18/12/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	EE's PENSION	£ 1,462.45
18/12/2025	KENT PENSION FUND	Ers PENSION	£ 5,799.29
19/12/2025	DOVER DISTRICT C	BUSINESS RATES	£ 1,272.00
19/12/2025	STAFF NET PAY	NET PAY	£ 22,364.82
22/12/2025	ADM COMPUTER SER	IT SUPPORT TH	£ 988.06
22/12/2025	HMRC	PAYE EE	£ 4,462.34
22/12/2025	HMRC	EE NI	£ 967.68
22/12/2025	HMRC	ER NI	£ 3,386.19
			£ 43,852.83

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr M Eddy Chairperson of Deal Town Council
From: Mr P Bone Responsible Finance Officer
Date: 15 January 2026
Subject: **Draft Budget 2026/27**

Please find attached a copy of the draft Budget 2026/27 as recommended by the Finance and General Purposes Committee for adoption.

The draft budget has been carefully considered and offers the following benefits:

- No increase in total budget cost compared to the previous year.
- No cuts in services or Grant support.
- No increase in overall staff costs.
- No support required from Council reserves.

Recommendation:

Members to review and agree annual budget for 2026/27.

Decision required.

Members to consider the above recommendation.

Deal Town Council 2026-27 Draft Budget

Budget as agreed by Full Council 28 Jan 2025

Draft Budget 2026/27

		2025-26	2025-26	2026-27	2026-27	
		INCOME	EXPEND	INCOME	EXPEND	Change
<u>100</u>	<u>General Income</u>					
1076	Precept	590218		590218		0.00%
1080	Bank Interest	9000		9000		0.00%
1085	Office space rental	9000		9000		0.00%
		608218		608218		0.00%
<u>200</u>	<u>Staff Salaries</u>					
4000	Salaries Gross		334073		350777	5.00%
			334073		350777	5.00%
<u>202</u>	<u>Employment Costs</u>					
4010	Employers Pension		73840		56387	-23.64%
4020	Employers NI		37127		39451	6.26%
4080	HR & HS		1750		1900	8.57%
4085	Payroll Services		2000		2150	7.50%
			114717		99888	
<u>203</u>	<u>Staff Costs</u>					
4055	Travel & Subsistence		100		100	0.00%
4070	Training		2000		2000	0.00%
4075	Staff Uniforms		250		250	0.00%
4090	Staff Recruitment		750		750	0.00%
			3100		3100	0.00%
<u>205</u>	<u>Official Car</u>					
4060	Official Car Lease		3921		3921	0.00%
			3921		3921	0.00%
<u>210</u>	<u>Civic</u>					
4055	Travel & Subsistence		100		100	0.00%
4200	Cllr. Allowances		4800		4800	0.00%
4220	Robes & Regalia		250		250	0.00%
			5150		5150	0.00%
<u>215</u>	<u>Mayor's Budget</u>					
4210	Hospitality		1500		1500	0.00%
	Mayoral Travel &					
4225	Subsistence		100		100	0.00%
4230	Mayor Expenses		1100		1100	0.00%
5020	Mayoral Ceremonial Ev		200		200	0.00%
5030	Charter Day		500		500	0.00%
			3400		3400	0.00%

220 Administration

4080	HR & HS	1750	1900	8.57%
4300	Mobile Phones	1250	1375	10.00%
4305	Stationery	800	800	0.00%
4310	Postage	500	500	0.00%
4315	Bank Charges	1500	1500	0.00%
4320	General Admin	5000	5250	5.00%
4325	Office Equipment	500	500	0.00%
4330	IT Equipment	3000	3000	0.00%
4335	IT Support & Website	10000	10000	0.00%
4340	Telephone & Broadband	2000	3000	50.00%
4345	Pat Testing	500	500	0.00%
4365	Legal Advice	500	500	0.00%
4375	Marketing/Comm's	2000	2000	0.00%
4390	Waste & Recycling	2000	2000	0.00%
4405	Annual Planting	5000	3500	-30.00%
4410	Flags	500	500	0.00%
4415	Audit Fees	2500	2500	0.00%
4420	Subscriptions	2000	2100	5.00%
4430	Data Protection Officer	1000	1000	0.00%
		42300	42425	0.30%

225 Council

4070	Cllr Training	1000	1000	0.00%
4370	Election Costs	11375	7500	-34.07%
4376	Carbon Audit	770		
4380	Contingency	10000	10000	0.00%
		23145	18500	-20.07%

250 Grants & Donations

4470	Annual Grants	20000	20000	0.00%
4473	Community Grants	10000	10000	0.00%
4485	Warm Places	10000	10000	0.00%
4490	St Omer Twinning	500	500	0.00%
		40500	40500	0.00%

300 Town Hall

1100	Wedding Hire	15000	17000	13.33%
1105	Chamber Hire	3000	3000	0.00%
1110	Committee Room Hire	2000	2000	0.00%
1115	Under Croft Hire	1000	1000	0.00%
		21000	23000	9.52%

4360	Insurance	8000	8000	0.00%
4500	Repairs & Maintenance	4000	4000	0.00%
4505	Under Croft Cleaning	1100	1100	0.00%
4510	Furniture & Equipment	4000	1000	-75.00%
4520	Boiler Service & Maint.	500	500	0.00%
4525	Window Cleaning	1100	1100	0.00%
4530	Gas	5100	5610	10.00%
4535	Electricity	4780	5258	10.00%
4540	Water	300	330	10.00%
4710	Business Rates (4355)	13500	13750	1.85%

4720	Licences		500		600	20.00%
			42880		41248	-3.81%
310	<u>VIC</u>					
4605	Terminal Charges		500		500	0.00%
			500		500	0.00%
410	<u>Saturday Market</u>					
1410	Market Traders	45000		45000		0.00%
		45000		45000		0.00%
4420	Subscriptions		500		500	0.00%
4715	Licence fee		3000		4140	38.00%
4730	Market General Costs		3000		3000	0.00%
4735	Market Licence		1750		1750	0.00%
			8250		9390	13.82%
420	<u>Braderie Market</u>					
1415	Braderie stall holders	3000		3000		0.00%
		3000		3000		0.00%
	Braderie costs					
4705	(Excluding staff costs)		2500		3407	36.28%
			2500		3407	36.28%
500	<u>Public Conveniences</u>					
4800	Public Conveniences		40000		40000	0.00%
			40000		40000	0.00%
600	<u>Allotments Golf Road</u>					
1500	Allotment Income	2900		2900		0.00%
		2900		2900		0.00%
4500	Repairs & Maintenance		2500		2500	0.00%
4540	Water		500		550	10.00%
			3000		3050	1.67%
610	<u>Allotments Park Ave</u>					
1500	Allotment Income	2300		2300		0.00%
		2300		2300		0.00%
4500	Repairs & Maintenance		2500		2500	0.00%
4540	Water		500		550	10.00%
			3000		3050	1.67%
620	<u>Allotments Mill Road</u>					
1500	Allotment Income	2300		2300		0.00%
		2300		2300		0.00%
4500	Repairs & Maintenance		2500		2500	0.00%
4540	Water		500		550	10.00%
			3000		3050	1.67%
	<u>Annual Town Council</u>					
700	<u>Events</u>					
	Annual Town Council Events		3600		2100	-41.67%
	To Elections reserve		4,500		4,500	0.00%
	To TH Refurbish EMR		9,000		9,000	0.00%
			13,500		13,500	0.00%

Summary	2025/26 INCOME	2025/26 EXPEND	2026/27 INCOME	2026/27 EXPEND	
Total Income	684,718		686,718		0.29%
Total Expenditure		690,536		686,956	-0.52%

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr M Eddy Chairperson of Deal Town Council
From: Mr P Bone Responsible Finance Officer
Date: 16 January 2026
Subject: **Precept Demand 2026/27**

The Finance and General Purposes committee resolved to recommend to Full Council that the Precept for 2026/27 is set at a level to cover the final agreed budget plus a sum of £20,000 to be added to the Town Hall refurbishment earmarked reserve for essential works identified in the latest Town Hall condition survey.

DDC have recently advised that the Tax Base figure for Deal in 2026/27 will drop from 7,432.26 to 7,425.78

Based upon the recommended draft budget for 2026/27 and the Tax Base figure for 2026/27, this will mean an increase in the 'Band D' figure of 3.55% from £79.36 to £82.18

Decisions Required

- 1) To increase the 'Band D' figure for the 2026/27 Precept to £82.18
- 2) To authorise the Chairperson of this meeting and the Town Clerk to sign the Precept Demand 2026/27 on behalf of the Council

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr M Eddy, Chairperson of Deal Town Council; All Councillors
From: Mrs L Marney - Committee Clerk & Mr P Bone - Deputy Town Clerk
Date: 14th January 2026
Subject: **Recommendation from the Transport & Infrastructure Committee**

As Full Council will be aware, Deal Town Council has an ongoing Highways Improvement Project Plan which was agreed in March 2022. The plan is to focus on benefiting vulnerable road users, accessibility, and research into small necessary improvements to the highway in Deal's three wards.

The KCC EHI Team have advised DTC that they will only be able to part-fund three drop kerbs at the following locations from our 3rd Highways Improvement Plan:

- Darracott Close (London Road)
- Cowper Road (London Road)
- Golf Road (North end)

The total cost for the installation of the three drop kerbs £6,932.29, of which KCC would be prepared to fund 13%, leaving Deal Town Council to fund the remaining £6,000.

Following the November T&I Committee meeting, Members RESOLVED: *To recommend to Full Council that the remaining £6,000 for the cost to install three drop kerbs from Deal Town Council 3rd HIP application be funded from the DTC Project Fund.*

KCC Update – DTC HIP

The Committee Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk have had numerous meetings throughout the year with KCC East Highway Improvement Team, they advised DTC Officers in December 2025 that they will be fully funding 4 drop kerbs from our 2nd HIP application at the following locations: St Richards Road (near St Mary's School and Doctors surgery), Mill Road (Manor Road end), Mill Road (outside the Co-op Supermarket) and Prince of Wales Terrace (Seafront by Sondes Road). T&I Committee members were updated with this information at their recent meeting held on 13th January 2026.

Recommendation:

Full Council to consider the recommendation from the T&I Committee that £6,000 be funded from the DTC Project Fund for the installation of three drop kerbs on the DTC HIP at the locations stated above.

Decision required:

Members to consider the above recommendation.

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr M Eddy - Chairperson of Deal Town Council & All council members

From: Mrs L Crow - Town Clerk

Date: 19 January 2026

Re: **Committee Chairperson Appointment**

As members will be aware there is currently a vacancy for the position of Chairperson to the Transport & Infrastructure Committee. The Vice Chairperson of this Committee, Cllr Bano, has indicated that he does not want to take over as the Chairperson.

There are two meetings of this Committee scheduled until the Annual Meeting of the Council.

Recommendation:

Members to consider appointing a Chairperson to the Transport and Infrastructure committee until the Annual Meeting of the Council 2026.

Or

Members to consider appointing a Chairperson to the Transport and Infrastructure Committee until the Annual Meeting of the Council 2027.

Decision required

Members to consider and agree one of the two options above.

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr M Eddy - Chairperson of Deal Town Council & All council members
From: Mrs L Crow - Town Clerk
Date: 19 January 2026
Re: **Council Outside Body Representative**

Following Council decision there are currently two Outside Body Organisations that do not have a Councillor Representative appointed to them.
They are;

- Chamber of Trade liaison
- Citizens Advice

There are also two Outside Body Organisations that now only have a reserve Councillor, which are;

- White Cliffs Community Rail Partnership (Cllr Bano is the reserve)
- Southeastern Railway Stakeholder Meetings (Cllr Bano is the reserve)
- Dover Joint Transport Advisory Committee (Cllr Eddy is the reserve)

Recommendation:

Members to consider that the Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor attend the above Outside Body Organisations' meetings should a Council Representative be required until the Annual Meeting of the Council 2026.

Or

Members to consider appointing Council Representatives to the above Outside Body Organisations until the Annual Meeting of the Council 2026.

Decision required

Members to consider and agree one of the two options above.

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr M Eddy - Chairperson of Deal Town Council & All council members
From: Cllr S Beer
Date: 19 January 2026
Re: **Report on FOND (Friends of North Deal) event 5th December 2025.**

On 5th December 2025 I attended a public event designed to address local concerns over speeding and other traffic issues in Deal. This took place in the Golf Road Community Centre and was attended by about ten people.

The lead speaker was Inspector Alan Watson, who is the Special Inspector for Speedwatch across Kent. There was a PowerPoint presentation.

Key points which came out of this are

1. Experience has shown that a 20mph limit in urban areas such as ours did not have a significant impact on speeding.
2. Speedwatch did make a difference when run at regular intervals.
3. Small local roads were rarely suitable for Speedwatch – it was used on roads with a 30mph limit where actual speeds might be above 35 mph.
4. The Speedwatch manager (Alan) would advise and the Police force would provide training and equipment if a Speedwatch team were to be put together for Deal.
5. Local resident, Pam, already a member of the Walmer Speedwatch team, recommended it to the audience.
6. If the residents identified key roads the Inspector would obtain information on actual speeds already measured and in police databases. This would inform the next steps.

The PowerPoint was followed by a discussion. Inspector Watson committed to passing on information from the police database about average speeds on key roads in the town.

The instigators of the meeting formed a small action group to take ideas forward into 2026.

Minutes - approved by Committee and signed by Chairperson 08/12/2025

Deal Town Council Town Hall, High Street, Deal, Kent, CT14 6TR.**Tel: 01304 361999. Email: deal.town.council@deal.gov.uk**The Minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 10th November 2025 at the
Town Hall at 7.15pm

Present: Cllr M Eddy (Chairperson) Cllr A Friend
Cllr T Bond (Vice Chairperson) Cllr M Walters
Cllr P Findley Ms E Fogarty (FOND)

Officers: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk Others: 0

1	Chairpersons opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read out the fire evacuation procedures and advised Councillors to put their mobile phones on silent.				Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence: Mr R Green (Co-opted Member) due to illness.				Committee Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: Cllr A Friend declared a VAOI on planning application 25/01121 – Land on the North Side of Northwall Road in Deal, as the applicant is a personal friend.				
4	Public Participation and Statements received: None received.				Committee Clerk
5	The minutes of the planning committee meeting held on 2nd October 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 2 nd October 2025 as a true and accurate record. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed.				Chairperson
6	Planning applications received:				Committee Clerk
	DDC Ref	Ward	Address	Proposal	
	25/01060	MH	Site South Of Marlborough Road Deal	<u>Reserved matters application for the details of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale and discharge of conditions 1, 3, 9, 11, 12 & 14 pursuant to outline permission 20/01245 (Erection of up to 9no. dwellings (with all matters reserved)).</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. 4 For, 1 Abstention. Motion carried.

25/00320	MH	115 Station Road Walmer Deal CT14 9JN	<u>Erection of 30 dwellings with associated access, parking, attenuation pond, public open space, play area, soft and hard landscaping (existing dwelling to be demolished).</u> (Amended)	Members RESOLVED: Objection. Due to the over development of the site and the impact on the environment and the biodiversity loss. There is also a highway safety issue, as the site comes out onto a narrow road that already has too much traffic due to the Cross Road development. Deal Town Council also support the concerns of the KCC Flood Risk assessment, regarding the drainage issue for this site. There is also a loss of affordable housing. (P) Cllr P Findley. (S) Cllr A Friend. All agreed.
25/00360	ND	Pemberley 123 Middle Street Deal CT14 6JX	<u>Rendering works to front elevation and replacement of windows on front elevation.</u> (Amended)	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.
25/00361	ND	Pemberley 123 Middle Street Deal CT14 6JX	<u>Rendering works to front elevation and replacement of windows on front elevation.</u> (Amended)	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.
25/01032	ND	112 Sandown Road Deal CT14 6NX	<u>Change of use of garage to short-term letting with associated alterations.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.
25/01115	ND	104 Middle Street Deal CT14 6JW	<u>Erection of a 2-storey rear extension, rear dormer window, and solar panels to roof.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.

25/01111	Eastry Rural	Almond House Betteshanger Sustainable Parks Betteshanger Road Betteshanger CT14 0EN	Variation of condition 1 of planning application 24/00526 (Reserved Matters application for the details landscaping, layout, access, scale and appearance for the residential phase of approved outline permission DOV/20/00419 (Outline application with all matters reserved for up to 210 dwellings including up to 12 self-build plots, together with up to 2,500 sqm of office (Use Class B1) floorspace and up to 150 sqm of retail (Class E) floorspace.)) to allow delivery of 12 custom build houses and associated changes to site layout.	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr T Bond. (S) Cllr A Friend. 3 For, 2 Against. Motion carried	
25/01121	ND	Land On The North Side Of Northwall Road Deal	<u>Erection of a dwelling (Self- build/Custom build) (existing dwelling to be demolished).</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr M Walters. (S) Cllr T Bond. 4 For, 1 Abstention. Motion carried.	
25/01134	ND	Telephone Box Outside 55 - 57 High Street Deal Kent	<u>Display of 2 illuminated digital 75" LCD display screens.</u>	Members RESOLVED: Objection. Due to the street hub being inappropriate for the conservation area and is also detrimental to the integrity of the area. DTC also support the concerns	

				of Kent Police in terms of public safety. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.	
25/01133	ND	Telephone Box Outside 55 - 57 High Street Deal Kent	<u>Erection of 1 BT Street Hub, incorporating 2 digital 75" LCD advert screens (BT Phone Kiosk removed).</u>	Members RESOLVED: Objection. Due to the street hub being inappropriate for the conservation area and is also detrimental to the integrity of the area. DTC also support the concerns of Kent Police in terms of public safety. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.	
25/00862	ND	13 High Street Deal CT14 7AA	<u>Erection of detached dwelling and chance of use of land to residential curtilage (amended description, re-advertised).</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr T Bond (S) Cllr M Walters 3 For, 2 Against. Motion carried.	
25/01128	MH	2 Yew Tree Close Deal Kent CT14 9UX	<u>Fell 3 Sycamores (T1, T2 and T3), all the subject of Tree Preservation Order No. 2 of 1965.</u>	Members RESOLVED: Objection. Deal Town Council object as the removal of these trees is not necessary, the 3 trees are at the bottom of the residents garden so will not affect a loss of light to the property, removing these trees will be a loss of carbon and biodiversity. (P) Cllr P Findley. (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.	
7 Correspondence received: Planning application 25/00976 (Land At New Park Straight Mile Betteshanger Northbourne). Members RESOLVED: The Committee Clerk loads an Objection to this planning application on to the DDC Planning Portal, stating the following: Deal Town Council object to this development, the disturbance of the site will have a negative effect on the woodland and is a severe biodiversity net loss to the area.(P) Cllr P Findley (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.					Committee Clerk
8 Committee Clerk Report: Members RESOLVED: To note the information. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed.					Committee Clerk
9 DDC decisions: Members RESOLVED: To note the information. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.					Committee Clerk
The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.25pm					

Minutes - approved by Committee and signed by Chairperson 05/01/2026

Deal Town Council Town Hall, High Street, Deal, Kent, CT14 6TR.

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The Minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 8th December 2025 at the Town Hall at 7.15pm

Present: Cllr M Eddy (Chairperson) Cllr A Friend
Cllr T Bond (Vice Chairperson) Ms E Fogarty (FOND)
Cllr M Walters

Officers: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk Others: 0

1	Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read out the fire evacuation procedures and advised Councillors to put their mobile phones on silent.				Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence: Cllr P Findley and Mr R. Green (Co-opted Member) due to prior commitments.				Committee Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: Cllr M Eddy, Cllr T Bond and Cllr A Friend all declared a VAOI on planning applications 25/01238 and 25/01252 as they are Walmer Town Councillors.				
4	Public Participation and Statements received: A Statement was received and read out from Sholden Parish Council relating to planning application 25/01164.				Committee Clerk
5	The minutes of the planning committee meeting held on 10th November 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10 th November 2025 as a true and accurate record. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.				Chairperson
6	Planning applications received:				Committee Clerk
	DDC Ref	Ward	Address	Proposal	
	25/01167	Eastry Rural	Land South West Of London Road Deal	<u>Reserved matters application for the details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline application 22/00652 for the erection of up to 74 dwellings with associated parking and means of access (all matters reserved except</u>	Members RESOLVED: Objection. DTC is unable to determine a decision due to the lack of information provided on the application. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.

			<u>for access) including discharge of conditions 6 and 13 (Phase 2B).</u>	
25/01164	Eastry Rural	Land South West Of Sholden Drive Sandwich Road Sholden Kent	<u>Erection of 9 dwellings with associated parking and infrastructure.</u>	Members RESOLVED: Objection. Over development of the site. Lack of front and rear amenity space on the housing designs. No provision for space for non-motorised vehicles. No open public space. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.
25/01144	ND	18 Vlissingen Drive Deal CT14 6TZ	<u>Installation of an air source heat pump.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.
25/01177	ND	Ling House 97 Beach Street Deal CT14 6JE	<u>Replacement windows/door to front elevation and insertion of rooflight to rear roofslope.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. Subject to Heritage Officer report. (P) Cllr M Eddy. (S) Cllr A Friend. 3 For, 1 Abstention. Motion carried.
25/01251	ND	Boatyard House 103B Middle Street Deal Kent CT14 6JN	<u>Replacement windows to front and rear, new shutters to ground floor to front, repainting of facade and infill entrance porch.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.
25/01215	ND	Chemnite House 194 High Street Deal CT14 6BL	<u>Change of use of ground floor shop to residential (C3), replacement window/door to front elevation, insertion of rooflights and solar panels to rear roofslope, ground mounted heat pump and erection of garden</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr M Walters. (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.

			<u>outbuilding (existing 2 storey/single storey rear extensions to be demolished).</u>	
25/01257	MD	Greenwood Manor Avenue Deal CT14 9PN	<u>Erection of a single storey rear extension and render to all facades.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.
25/00413	MD	390A London Road Deal CT14 9PS	<u>Erection of a building to include 4 self-contained flats and erection 2 dwellings with associated parking and access (Amended Details).</u>	Members RESOLVED: Objection. Due to over development of the site. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.
25/01268	ND	26 The Marina Deal CT14 6NH	<u>Erection of a garden room/office.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.
25/01193	MD	4 Southwall Road Deal Kent CT14 9QA	<u>Crown lift to 4 metres above ground level of 2 x Limes the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1989.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Eddy. 3 For, 1 Against. Motion carried.
25/01236	MH	36 Tormore Park Deal CT14 9UY	<u>Re-pollard back to previous pollard points of one Silver Birch the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 2 of 1965.</u>	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Walters. 3 For, 1 Against. Motion carried.
25/01238	Walmer	Land South Of Coastal View Beach Huts Promenade Walmer	Installation of outdoor gym and associated surfacing.	Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.

	25/01252	Walmer	Land On The North West Side Of Liverpool Road Walmer CT14 7PN	Outline application for development up to 75 dwellings, associated landscaping and infrastructure (all matters reserved except access).	Members RESOLVED: Objection. Due to poor road infrastructure and the impact traffic from this development will have on the road system nearby, also this development is not in line with DDC Environmental policies due to the car movements this development will create as there is a lack of local amenities nearby. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. 3 For, 1 Against. Motion carried	
7	Correspondence received: Friends of Betteshanger: Members RESOLVED: To note the report and the Chairperson to contact DDC and express concerns about the development of this site. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr A Friend. All agreed.					Chairperson
8	Committee Clerk Report: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.					Committee Clerk
9	DDC decisions: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.					Committee Clerk
	The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.32pm					

Minutes - approved by Committee and signed by Chairperson 19/11/2025**Deal Town Council, Town Hall, High Street, Deal, Kent CT14 6TR****Tel: 01304 361999. Email: deal.town.council@deal.gov.uk**The Minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 17th September 2025 at Deal Town Hall.

Present: Cllr M Walters (Chairperson) Cllr M Eddy Cllr P Jull Cllr D Cronk	Cllr B Bano (Vice Chairperson) Cllr M Cronk Mrs C Dubber (Co-opted member) Ms L Sills (Co-opted member)
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Officers: Mrs L Marney (Committee Clerk)	Other: 0
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1	Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read out the fire evacuation procedures and advised Councillors to put their mobile phones on silent.	Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence: Cllr T Bond due to prior commitments. Cllr D Parks was absent.	Committee Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: None received	
4	Public Participation and Statements received: None received	Committee Clerk
5	The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Tuesday 15th July 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 15 th July 2025 as a true and accurate record. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.	Chairperson
6	Town Signage – Damaged fingerarm: Following a discussion, Members RESOLVED: To accept the cost to replace the damaged fingerarm and for this to be produced by the original supplier and refer this item to Full Council for the budget to be agreed. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
7	Co-opted Member request: Following a discussion, Members RESOLVED: To accept that Toby Taylor becomes a co-opted member on the Transport & Infrastructure Committee and to submit this request to the next available Full Council meeting for approval. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr P Jull. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
8	KCC Response – Bollards 84 St Richards Road: Members RESOLVED: To note the report and to take no further action. (P) Cllr P Jull (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	
9	DTC 3rd HIP Update: Members RESOLVED: To accept the recommendation to remove Victoria Road and West Street items from the DTC 3 rd HIP application following the information received from KCC. Committee Clerk to contact residents that raised these issues and suggest that they contact their County Councillors. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
10	Committee Clerk Report: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
	The Chairperson closed the meeting at 7.42pm	

Minutes - approved by Committee and signed by Chairperson 13/01/2026

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The Minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Wednesday 19th November 2025 at Deal Town Hall.

Present: Cllr M Walters (Chairperson) Cllr B Bano (Vice Chairperson)
Cllr M Eddy Cllr P Jull
Cllr D Parks Cllr T Bond
Ms C Dubber (Co-opted member)

Officers: Mrs L Marney (Committee Clerk) Other: 2 Members of public
Ms J Harper (Asst to the Town Clerk)

1	Chairman's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the fire evacuation procedures.	Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence: Cllr M Cronk and Cllr D Cronk were absent. Ms L Sills Co-opted member was absent.	Committee Clerk
3	Declarations of interest: None received.	
4	Public Participation and Statements received: None received.	Committee Clerk
5	The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Wednesday 17th September 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Wednesday 17 th September 2025. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr B Bano. 4 For, 2 Abstentions. Motion carried.	Chairperson
6	KCC Feedback – DTC 3rd Highways Improvement Plan: Members RESOLVED: To recommend to Full Council that the remaining £6,000 for the cost to install three drop kerbs from Deal Town Council 3 rd HIP application be funded from the DTC Project Fund for the installation of the three drop kerbs and for the Chairperson to write to the KCC elected members and the portfolio holder to express the committees disappointment that as a Town council we are being asked to shoulder most of the cost for the work which is the statutory responsibility of Kent Council for roads and footpaths. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
7	DTC 4th HIP Application: Members RESOLVED: The Committee Clerk looks and refines items from previous HIP applications and brings back a list of priorities to the January Committee meeting for discussion, and include a Keep Clear Box at the entrance to Sainsbury's Supermarket for consideration. The Committee Clerk also asked Ms Dubber to send in her suggestions. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.	Committee Clerk
8	Southeastern Stakeholder Survey: Members RESOLVED: All Committee members to respond individually to the Southeastern Stakeholder Survey. (P) Cllr P Jull (S) Cllr D Parks. All agreed.	All Committee Members
9	Correspondence received – Sholden Parish Council: Members RESOLVED: To share the information on the Deal Town Council Website. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.	Committee Clerk/ Comms Officer
	The Chairperson closed the meeting at 19.58pm.	

Minutes – approved by Committee and signed by the Chairperson 18/11/2025
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The minutes of the Finance and General Purposes meeting held at the Town Hall on 23 September 2025 at 7:15pm.

Present: Cllr T Bond (Chairperson) Cllr B Bano
Cllr D Cronk Cllr M Eddy
Cllr M Cronk Cllr L Craggs

Officers: Mr P Bone – Responsible Finance Officer
Ms Heather McAdam – Finance Assistant Others: 0
Miss P Read – Clerical Officer

1	Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting, read out the fire evacuation procedures and advised all in attendance to put their mobile phones on silent.	Chairperson
2	Apologies for absence received: Apologies were received from Cllr P Jull as he is away. Cllr D Parks was absent.	R.F.O.
3	Declarations of interest: 1) A VAOI was declared by Cllr T Bond for agenda item 9 due to being an elected member of Walmer Town Council. 2) A VAOI was declared by Cllr M Eddy for agenda item 9 due to being an elected member of Walmer Town Council	
4	Public participation and statements received: None received	
5	The minutes of the previous Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 22 July 2025 for approval and signing: The R.F.O. acknowledged that at the F&GP meeting held on 22 July 2025, Cllr L Craggs' apologies for absence was received but not read out at the meeting and therefore not recorded on the minutes. Members RESOLVED: To approve and adopt the minutes from the Finance and General Purposes meeting held on 22 July 2025 as a true and accurate record. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes.	R.F.O. and Chairperson
6	Finance income & expenditure figures and full bank reconciliation to 31st August 2025: Members RESOLVED: to note the information. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	
7	Kent County Council's (KCC) Budget Consultation 2026-27: Members RESOLVED: For all Deal Town Councillors to respond to the survey individually as members of the public. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	R.F.O.
8	Recommendation from the Grants Subcommittee - Warm Welcome Food & Fuel Voucher funding: Members RESOLVED: To make full grant payments to the following organisations for the Warm Welcome Food & Fuel vouchers. Direct support organisations Type 'A' (2 tranches of £500 each) • United Families £1,000 • Deal Area Foodbank £1,000 • Home Start £1,000 Venue support Type 'B' (2 tranches of £100 each) • St Andrews Church £200 • Trinity Church £200 • St George's Church £200	R.F.O.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deal Pantry £200 • St Richard's Church £200 Total funding £4,000 (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.	
9	<p>Free use request from Walmer Town Council: Members RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To grant the free use of the Chamber for one evening in October for a combined meeting between Walmer and Deal Town Councils regarding the reduction of the use of pesticides in the local area. 2) To delegate authority to the R.F.O. in liaison with the facilities manager and Walmer Town Council, to choose the most suitable date. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr B Bano. 4 For. 0 Against, 2 Abstentions. Agreed.	R.F.O.
	The Chairperson closed the meeting at 19:36pm.	Chairperson

Minutes – approved by Committee and signed by the Chairperson 16/12/2025

The minutes of the Finance and General Purposes meeting held at the Town Hall on 18 November 2025 at 7:15pm.

Present: Cllr T Bond (Chairperson) Cllr M Eddy
Cllr B Bano Cllr L Craggs
Cllr D Parks

Officers: Others: None

Mr P Bone – Responsible Finance Officer

Ms H Mcadam – Finance Asst.

Ms J Harper - Asst. to the Town Clerk

1.	Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised of the fire evacuation procedures.	Chairperson
2.	Apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Cllr P Jull due to a prior commitment, Cllr D Cronk due to a prior commitment and Cllr M Cronk due to a work commitment.	R.F.O
3.	Declarations of interest: None received.	
4.	Public Participation: None present.	
5.	The minutes of the previous Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 23rd September 2025 for approval and signing: RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 rd September 2025 as a true and accurate record. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr M Eddy. 4 For, 0 against, 1 abstention. The Chairperson then duly signed the minutes.	Chairperson
6.	Finance: Income & Expenditure Figures and Full Bank reconciliation to 31st October 2025: Members RESOLVED: To note the Income & Expenditure Figures and Full Bank reconciliation to 31 st October 2025. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr M Eddy. All Agreed.	
7.	<p>Grants Application: i) Annual Grants 2025/26 – Round 2. Members RESOLVED: To agree to the following grant payment:</p> <p>Samphire Project: To award a full grant of £500 as a contribution towards lantern materials and costs associated with the annual Lantern Parade on Deal Pier. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr M Eddy. 4 For, 1 Against, 0 Abstentions.</p> <p>Members further RESOLVED: To accept the following recommendations from the Grants Subcommittee:</p> <p>Age UK South Kent Coast: - To award a full grant award of £1,000 as a contribution towards the purchase of new garden furniture and planting.</p> <p>Deal Hospital Garden Volunteers: - To award a full grant of £949 towards the purchase of 2 new benches for Deal Hospital Garden</p> <p>Sandown School PTA: - To award a full grant of £1,000 as a contribution towards the purchase of 30 new iPads.</p>	<p>R.F.O</p> <p>R.F.O</p> <p>R.F.O</p> <p>R.F.O</p>

	<p>2235 Deal RAF Air Cadets: - To award a full grant of £759.96 as a contribution towards the purchase of 6 paddleboards and associated safety equipment. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Parks. All agreed.</p> <p>ii) Community Contributions Grant Application: Deal & Walmer Chamber of Trade: Members RESOLVED: To support the Deal & Walmer Chamber of Trade grant application and award a grant for £2,000 for this year and that the payments for the two subsequent years are made subject to the annual grant monitoring form from the Deal & Walmer Chamber of Trade in respect of this grant being audited by the R.F.O and the Chairperson of the Finance & General Purposes Committee who will make recommendation to the Finance & General Purposes Committee regarding payment of the next annual payment. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr D Parks. 4 For, 0 Against, 1 Abstention.</p>	<p>R.F.O</p> <p>R.F.O / Chairperson of F&GP</p>
8.	<p>Dover District Council – Council Tax Support (CTS) Scheme Consultation: Members RESOLVED: Not to complete the Council Tax Support Consultation, but for the Chairperson of the Council to write to Dover District Council indicating that the Council supports any efforts to reduce the negative impacts of the cost-of-living crisis on vulnerable households. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.</p>	<p>Chairperson of the Council</p>
9.	<p>2-Year Market Plan 2026-2027: Members RESOLVED: To accept and agree the draft Saturday Market 2-year plan for 2026/27 with a budget of £1,500 per year and to delegate authority to authorise expenditure and minor changes to the plan to the Town Clerk in liaison with the R.F.O. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr L Craggs. All agreed.</p>	<p>Town Clerk R.F.O</p>
10.	<p>Kent Pension Fund Consultation: Members RESOLVED: To delegate authority to the Town Clerk and R.F.O in liaison with the Staff Liaison Panel to complete the questionnaire on behalf of the Council and to delegate authority to the R.F.O to submit the completed questionnaire. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr D Parks. All agreed.</p>	<p>Town Clerk R.F.O Staff Liaison Panel</p>
11.	<p>Request received to reproduce the Elizabeth Carter Portrait: Members RESOLVED: To grant permission for the Elizabeth Carter portrait to be reproduced for illustration of a book, with the agreement that 2 copies are provided free of charge, one for Deal Town Council and one for the Local History Section of Deal Library. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr L Craggs. All agreed.</p>	<p>R.F.O</p>
12.	<p>Renewal of Deal Town Council Insurance Policies: Members RESOLVED: To accept the recommendation to enter a new 3-year long term agreement with Company B (existing supplier) at £7,666.36 per annum. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.</p>	<p>R.F.O</p>
13.	<p>Deal Braderie Report – 2025: Members RESOLVED: To note the report and will discuss it at the next meeting of this committee in January. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed.</p>	<p>R.F.O</p>
14.	<p>Deal Town Council Annual Return 2025 – External Auditors Report: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr B Bano. All agreed.</p>	
15.	<p>National Pay Award 2025/26: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr L Craggs. All agreed.</p>	
16.	<p>Draft Budget 2026: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr L Craggs. All agreed.</p>	<p>R.F.O</p>
	<p>The Chairperson closed the meeting at 19.58pm</p>	

