

Finance Report

Annual Parish Meeting

5th May 2026

Presented by Stephen Cockett, Clerk



Financial Overview 2025/26

Opening Balance

£83,870

1st April 2025

Closing Balance

£82,420

31st March 2026

Net Movement

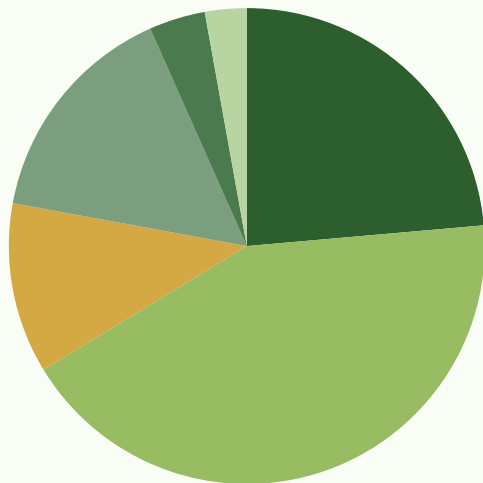
-£1,450

Decrease to reserves



Expenditure Breakdown

Total expenditure: £58,097



- Administration
- Public Conveniences
- Central Mead & May Close
- Miscellaneous
- Bridgecourt Cemetery
- Grounds & Tree Work

Administration £13,716 (24%)

Salaries, insurance, website, training, auditing

Public Conveniences £24,799 (43%)

Cleaning, utilities, roof repair, loan repayment

Central Mead & May Close £6,738 (12%)

Grounds and play area maintenance

Miscellaneous £8,979 (15%)

Munsley bog, All Saints, Post Office, bins

Bridgecourt Cemetery £2,219 (4%)

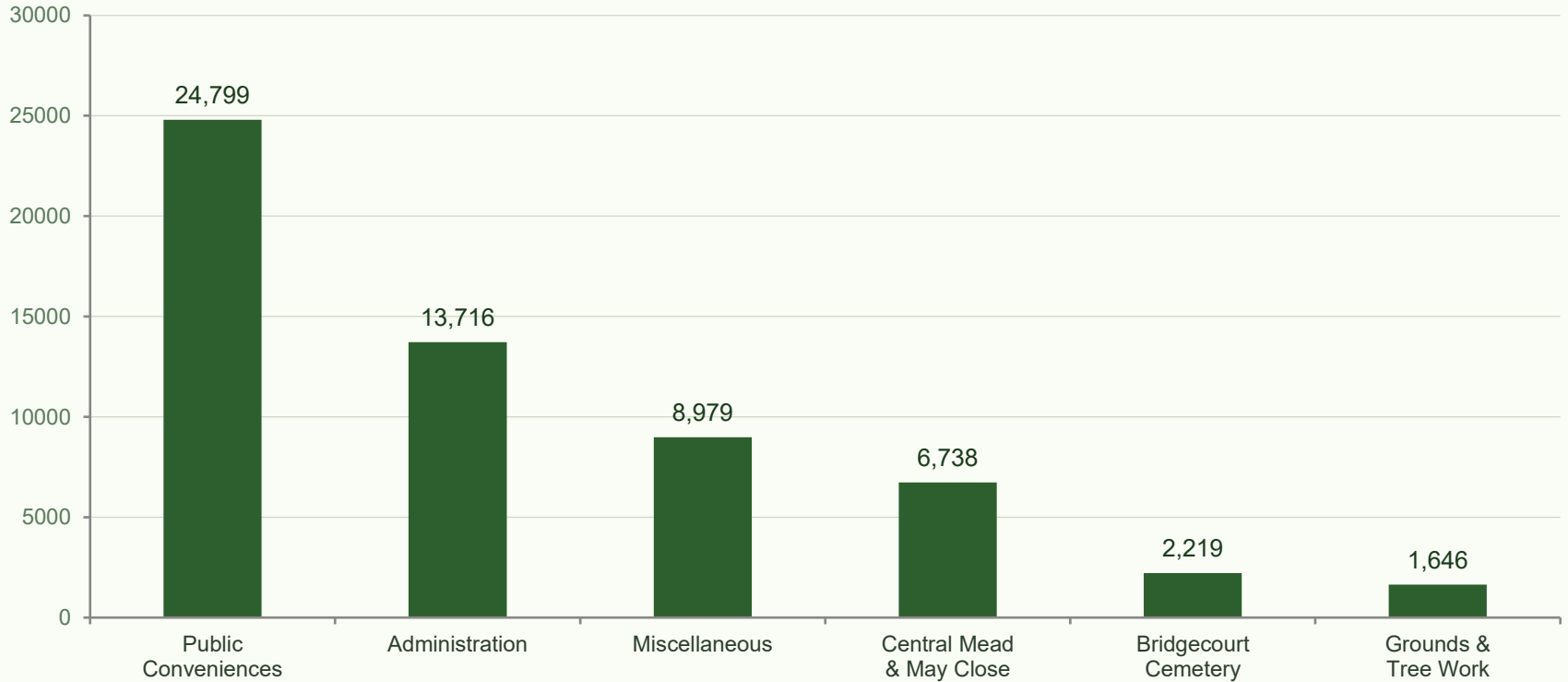
Cemetery maintenance

Grounds & Tree Work £1,646 (3%)

General grounds and tree maintenance



Expenditure by Category





Looking Forward

Forecast Expenditure

£68,206

Projected Reserves

£70,644

Key Drivers of Expenditure

- Improvements to play equipment and surrounding area at May Close
- Ongoing grant paid to the Post Office
- Inflationary pressures on costs
- Improvements to the entrance at Bridgecourt Cemetery
- New community grant fund established
- Employment of new staff for toilet cleaning and village maintenance



Precept & Revenue

Previous Precept

£47,300



New Precept

£51,265

+£3,965 increase

The increase in precept received is due to the increased number of homes in the village thanks to the Lily Cross development.



Accounts & Next Steps

1

Internal Audit

Full accounts are currently with the internal auditor for review

In Progress

2

External Examination

Once the internal audit concludes, accounts will be passed for external examination

Next

3

Sign-off by 1st July

Accounts should be formally signed off after external examination

Target

4

Public Inspection

Period for exercise of public rights begins — full accounts available for public inspection

In the meantime, I remain available for any questions.

Following