

## BREAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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### **DRAFT MINUTES FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS, BREAGE ON TUESDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2025 AT 10.00 A.M.**

Present:

Cllr D Thomas (F&GP Chairman)  
Cllr T Woodhams (BPC Chairman)  
Cllr R Rogers  
Cllr G Smith

David Rutherford Clerk  
Visitor: Cllr H Bradford

The meeting was quorate as there were four Members present.

#### **1. FIRE DRILL**

This was explained.

#### **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

#### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations were made.

#### **4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

#### **5. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING 22 JULY 2025**

The Cllrs who had attended the meeting confirmed the minutes.

#### **6. FINANCE**

**i) Precept** The FGPC have had a difficult task in producing a balanced budget and supporting precept that ensures that all the statutory commitments and community obligations are able to be discharged by Breage Parish Council. It has been and remains the intention to ensure that the current years financial obligations are met, the next financial year's budget and precept are in balance, and a sensible carry forward is available for the following year. An agreed ring-fenced reserve has been secured. This is set against the background of emerging Council tax increases anticipated from Cornwall Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner and the anticipated financial difficulties that are predicted to impact upon the next financial period. After careful financial planning BPC have developed a budget that is in balance with existing finance and projected income. We are pleased to report that this represents a modest 10% percent increase on the element of the council tax within Breage Parish Council's control and represents a total Breage Parish Council element of **£37.00 per annum or 72 pence per week** from an electoral role of 2642 parishioners **versus £34.48 per annum, 66p per week for the 2,610 Parishioners 2025/26**. We have this year taken advantage of the second home premium allocated to Breage Parish. We currently have 79.89 dwellings classified as such. To this end two percentage figures are applied to any increase, 10% and 5%. The first figure £101,000 indicates the percentage increase including the second homes premium and the second, £95,000, with second homes premium removed. **It was proposed, seconded and resolved to set a Precept of £101,000.00**

**ii) It was proposed, seconded and resolved** to replace the projector and screen in the Council Chamber with a flat screen TV and donate the old screen and projector to Ashton Hub. Funds will be taken from contingency reserve and to be replaced within the financial year 2026/27.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.11pm

TO CONFIRM THE DATES AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS LAND USE & PLANNING MATTERS WEDNESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2025 AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 02 DECEMBER 2025, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, TO BE HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS, BREAGE AT 7.00 P.M.