

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Budget Process 2027/28

The table below summarises the proposed approach to the preparation and agreement of the budget and precept for 2027/28:

Date	Activity	Responsible
September/ October 2026	- Committees/ Working Parties/Steering Groups to: - Identify potential new projects and associated costs. - Identify associated costs for ongoing projects. - Consider operating costs and income. - Chairman and Committee Chairs and RFO to review operating costs and income.	Chairs of Committees and Working Parties/NP Steering Group Chairman and RFO
29 October 2026	F&GP to: - Consider recommendations and associated capital and revenue costs/income of the: - Mortimer to Burghfield Cycleway and Footpath Steering Group - Traffic Working Party - Community Events and Market Working Party - Review the Investment Strategy - Review Reserves Policy (included in Financial Regulations)	F&GP
26 November 2026	F&GP to review the draft budget and provide input and amendments.	F&GP
Mid December 2026	Amended draft budget to be issued to all Councillors for information.	RFO
7 January 2027	F&GP approve draft budget for submission to Full Council. NB: Councillors are welcome to attend F&GP public session if they wish to provide early comments to F&GP	F&GP
14 January 2026	Full Council to consider and approve the 2027/28 budget and precept.	Full Council
End January 2025	Precept for 2027/28 confirmed to West Berkshire Council.	Clerk