Salford Priors Parish Council 2027/28 Precept Public Consultation

What do you want your money spent on?

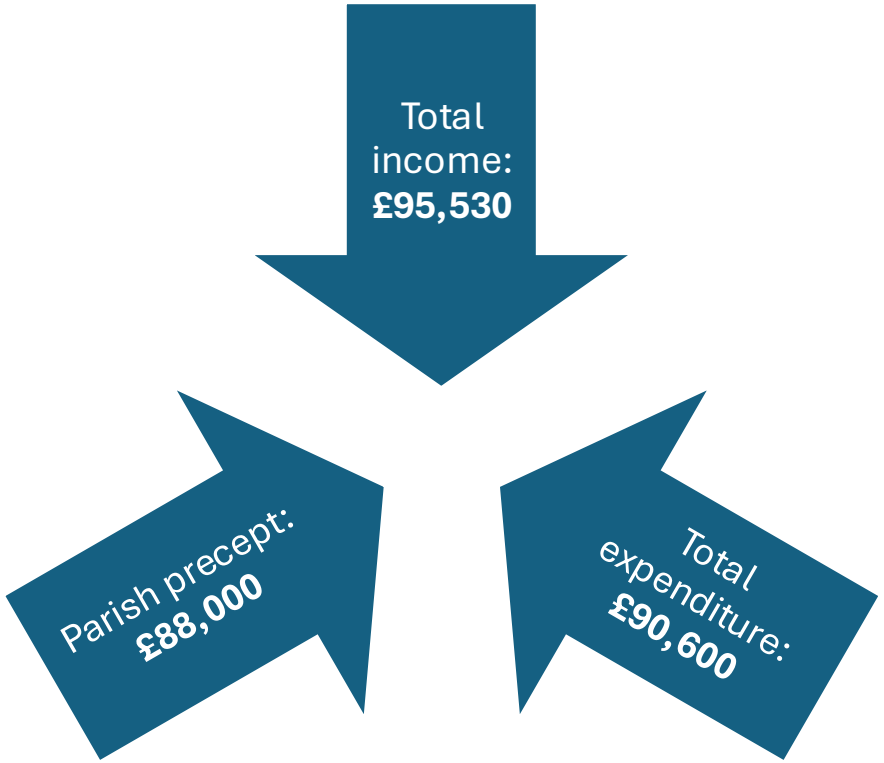
Help shape local spending priorities for the year ahead.

What we want to hear this evening !

- Which parish services matter most to you?
- What should we maintain, improve or do differently?
- Which projects should take priority?
- What would you reduce or postpone to fund your priorities?

The starting point: this year's precept 2026/27

2026/2027



What your parish contribution is

- **2025/26:** £84,000 total precept; £123.92 Band D equivalent charge
- **2026/27:** £88,000 total precept; £130.53 Band D equivalent charge
- Increase in the Band D equivalent charge: **£6.61 a year**

What the current precept supports

Selected annual allocations



Amenity maintenance: **£11,000**



Planters and landscaping: **£9,000**



Playing field: **£4,000**



Warm Hub: **£4,000**



Staffing: **£22,800**



Administration and subscriptions: **£6,000**

Pressures to consider

- Planters and landscaping: **£10,005 spent against £9,000**
- Light maintenance: **£873 spent against £150**
- Insurance: **£1,896 spent against £1,750**
- Lengthsman’s work **£2,718**
- Churchyard Extension costs **£2,125**

What's Provided
Revenue - Capital

Revenue

- Churchyard Extension Maintenance
- Litter & Dog Waste Bins
- Bus Stop Shelters
- Grit Bins
- Defibrillators
- TOPs Repairs & Utilities
- Website
- Tree planting

Capital

- School Road Highway Works
- Electrical Supply POS
- Electrical Supply - Defibrillators
- Allotment Boundary Fencing
- Noticeboards
- Benches
- IT Hardware
- St Matthews Church New Heating System

Project funding is different from everyday spending (CIL)



REPORTED REMAINING BALANCE: **£62,906.24**



SUPPORTS ELIGIBLE INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CIL REGULATIONS



DEDICATED GREENWAY GRANT



REPORTED REMAINING FUNDING: **£277,918.56**



AVAILABLE UNTIL **MARCH 2028,**



DEDICATED TO THE GREENWAY PROJECT

Which areas should take priority?

- Maintaining parish amenities
- Planters and landscaping
- Playing field provision
- Warm Hub
- Public Rights of Way (PRoW)
- Additional Street Lighting Columns

- Christmas festivities and community activities
- Allotments
- Infrastructure projects, including the Greenway and traffic calming
- Community Grants
- Another priority you suggest

Arrow Valley Solar Farm Proposals: What should our precept commitment be?

- **Indicative professional fees—based on the daily rates supplied**
- Planning and environmental consultancy: **10 days at £2,000–£3,000 per day = £20,000–£30,000**
- Legal representation: **5 days at £5,500–£7,500 per day = £27,500–£37,500**
- Combined indicative professional fees: **£47,500–£67,500**
- **Indicative allocation for consideration: £67,500 for professional fees**
  This covers the upper end of the supplied rates for 10 consultancy days and five days of legal representation. It is a proposal for discussion, not an agreed budget commitment.
- Should the council allocate this level of funding for professional advice and representation on the Arrow Valley Solar Farm Proposals, and how should it be funded alongside other parish priorities?

Impact of funding a one-off precept to engage specialist advice

- Protecting our parish from the long-term impacts of the proposed AVS
- A one-off budget increase of **£70,000** to fund professional representation at the Planning Inspectorate's Examination in Public.
- **The Direct Impact on Salford Priors Residents:**

A £70,000 precept increase affects Council Tax bands proportionally, calculated using the standard statutory ratios set by central government.

The following table breaks down exactly how the **£103.83 Band D baseline spike** scales across all property bands for Salford Priors:

Council Tax Band	Current Annual Parish Share (£)	Annual Increase (£)	New Total Annual Parish Share (£)	Estimated Monthly Rise (Over 10 Months) (£)
Band A	87.02	+69.22	156.24	6.92
Band B	101.52	+80.76	182.28	8.08
Band C	116.03	+92.29	208.32	9.23
Band D	130.53	+103.83	234.36	10.38
Band E	159.54	+126.90	286.44	12.69
Band F	188.54	+149.98	338.52	15.00
Band G	217.55	+173.05	390.60	17.30
Band H	261.06	+207.66	468.72	20.77

Making the choices

- Maintain services broadly as they are
- Redirect spending between existing services
- Reduce or postpone lower-priority activities
- Consider additional spending

- What should change?
- Where is it needed?
- Who would benefit?
- Why is it a priority for 2027/28?
- What could be reduced or postponed instead?

Open Forum

Your views - Your Priorities - Your Community



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