Cyngor Cymuned **BODORGAN** Community Council

BUDGET FORECAST 2025 / 2026

INCOME:

	2024/2025		ACTUAL		2025/2026	
Current precept	13,200.00		13,200		13,200	
Cemetery Fees	1,000.00		2,900		1,500	
Plot Rents	3,315.00		3,307		3,307	
Footpath Recharge	1,500.00		850		850	
Bank Interest	200.00		213		200	
VAT Refund	1,556.00	20,770.00	1,556	22,026	722	19,779

LESS EXPENDITURE:		ACTUAL	2025/2026	
Grass cutting				
- Footpaths	1,500	850	850	*1
- New Cemetery	1,000	800	3,000	*2
- Old Cemetery	4,340	3,310	5,000	*2
- Other	300	0		
Clerks Wages	4,344	4,344	4,500	*3
Donations	2,000	1,750	2,000	*4
Bodorgan Estate	3,225	3,225	3,225	
Audit Fees	750	4,419	1,500	*5
Cemetery Water Rates	50	37	50	
Annual Insurance	450	454	500	
Administration/Training	1,500	135	0	*6
Membership	200	198	200	
Asset Maintenance & Repairs	1,000		2,500	*7
VAT	732	732		
Contingency	1,000	75		
TOTAL	22,381	20,329	23,325	

Deficit 2025/2026 = (-3,546)

The forecast is based on increased expenditure and uncertain estimates such as average burial fees over the last 2 years. Plot Rentals will be actual amounts expected during 2025/2026. VAT Refund is dependant on VAT registered suppliers

Total Anticipated Reserve Balances as at 31.3.2025 = £19,000.

NOTES

Point *1
This is dependent on the recommendation made and agreed by Council.

Point *2
This figure is based on revised quotation received.

Point *3
The Salary Pay Structure & Scale has increased in accordance with NALC pay scales as from 1st April 2025 (Scale LC2 (Point 26) (£36,124pa pro rata) £18.72 per hour @ 20 hours per month = £4,500pa = £375 per month.

Point *4
This is a conservative figure to allow for any additional grant funding requests.

Point *5
This is a conservative figure to allow for outstanding external audit fees not yet charged.

Point *6
There is also the assumption once again that no member will accept the payment of £150.00 to which that they are entitled unless they notify the Clerk in writing. Should any member accept the payment or attends any of the One Voice Wales Courses during 2025/2026 then current reserves will be utilised.

Point *7
The Council did not carry out its commitment for essential maintenance and repairs on the Cob totalling £1,500 and therefore current reserves held will be used to cover this cost and any other Projects that will come to light in the next 12 months.

The Current level of the Precept is **£13,200pa. and this was increased for 2024/2025 to cover ongoing maintenance and repairs of assets. As this was not done and outstanding External Audit Fees was less than projected**, I would like to recommend to Council that the level of the precept is retained at £13,200 for the next 2 years and this to be reviewed in 2027/2028 to see if the Council has sufficient funds in reserve to meet ongoing expenditure and for any other emergency payments, that is, to spend what is has in reserve to cover expenditure, mainly ongoing Cemetery costs that account for 60% of current precept.

Alun Foulkes (Clerk) **1/1/2025.**