

# TILEHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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## ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

May 2026

### CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION

I would like to start by thanking the staff team and all our parish councillors for the time and dedication they show in supporting, maintaining and enhancing the services we provide to Tilehurst parishioners. I would also like to thank residents who provide us with feedback on how we are doing.

The report below expands on what we have been doing over the past year, from April 2025 to March 2026, in many areas including our five recreation grounds and play areas, four halls, as well as our work in scrutinising all planning applications in the parish and objecting when we feel it necessary.

Less obvious to residents will be the extensive legal work undertaken in order to ensure the proper maintenance and use of other property and land we own and/or maintain.

I am particularly proud of the youth services we have provided over the past four years or so covering youth and sports clubs and detached youth work visiting the recreation grounds to ensure our young people are safe and to contribute towards reducing anti-social behaviour. We have found our clubs' use has declined over the past year or so and we will be looking carefully at how we change and better deliver these services going forward. I would also like to thank the adult and young volunteers who give their time to help deliver these services.

As you will see below, we still have vacancies for parish councillors – if you are interested in helping us in this respect please get in touch.

I feel 2026-27 will be an important 12 months and that parish councils play a vital role in creating an environment we all contribute to and benefit from. If you have ideas which can help us in this respect, please give me a call on 07948 315358 or drop me a line -

[clive.taylor3@ntlworld.com](mailto:clive.taylor3@ntlworld.com).

***Councillor Clive Taylor  
Chairman of Tilehurst Parish Council***

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## PARISH COUNCIL FACILITIES

### Parish Office

The Clerk and officers have faced some challenges over the course of the year. Ian, one of our two maintenance officers had ongoing problems with his shoulder and was scheduled for surgery at the end of May 2025 – less than a week before Paul, our other maintenance officer, went on holiday for two weeks. Thankfully, the Clerk managed to arrange ad hoc cover for essential work such as hall cleaning, emptying bins and dog bins, etc. Ian returned for light duties in the summer and was able to work as normal from October.

In February 2026, we welcomed Mark Ilsley to the team as our new Facilities Assistant. His role is very varied and involves working in the office and as well as working with the maintenance officers in the halls and on the recreation grounds. If you see him, do say hello!



Some pension and insurance companies require a Certificate of Existence (also called Proof of Life) for individuals in order to continue making their payments. Parish clerks can sign the document, and this is a service we offer for free, although it is best to contact the office to arrange a time to come in.

### Parish Councillor vacancies

In late January, Nigel Furlong-King resigned as a parish councillor. We would like to thank him for all his work and input while he was on the council, particularly as our Internal Control Auditor and on various working groups. We hope we might welcome him back at some point in the future.

Sadly, Rose Reynolds resigned as a councillor at the Annual Parish Council meeting in May. Prior to becoming a councillor, Rose assisted at a day care centre for the elderly which was run three times a week in Calcot, and she also attended some meetings as an interested parish resident. She was co-opted to Birch Copse Ward in March 2003 and, over the next two decades, she built up a great deal of knowledge about issues affecting both the Parish Council and the local community. Rose has been an active, highly respected and valued member of the Council, and her wisdom and insight will be very much missed. We wish Rose all the very best.

This means we now have six councillor vacancies which can be filled by co-option. If you'd like to represent the residents of Tilehurst Parish and have a say in how we spend the precept on their behalf, do consider becoming a parish councillor. For more information about the role, please contact the Clerk by e-mailing [clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk) or calling 0118 941 8833.

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## Halls

Tilehurst Parish Council owns and maintains four halls: the Main Hall and Jubilee Annexe in Calcot (there is also a smaller Committee Room, suitable for meetings and training sessions); Turnhams Farm Hall (Little Heath Road) and the Cornwell Centre (Clements Mead) in Tilehurst. Each hall is next to a recreation ground and has parking.

Cornwell Centre



Turnhams Farm Hall



Calcot Centre (Main Hall and Jubilee Annexe)



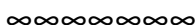
All our halls are available to hire and are popular for children's parties as well as gatherings and meetings for adults. Further information, including current hire charges, may be found on the [Parish Council web site](#), and anyone interested in making a booking should e-mail [bookings@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bookings@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk), or call the office on 0118 941 8833.

Although we do not offer a catering service, each hall has kitchen facilities suitable for reheating food (we do not provide any baking trays or pans). Alternatively, hirers holding more larger gatherings, business meetings or training sessions at Calcot sometimes order sandwiches and either bring them to the Calcot Centre or have them delivered.



In addition to weekly hires and one-off party bookings, our halls also host a range of regular community support groups, including:

- Age UK carer support and dementia awareness sessions
- some blood donor sessions
- Scouts
- Sea Scouts from November to April
- Motor Neurone Disease Association gatherings and meetings
- junior and senior youth clubs
- a weekly foodbank at Calcot



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In May and June 2025, Legionella risk assessments and fire risk assessments were carried out in the buildings (halls and changing rooms) and, since then, officers have been working to address issues raised.



In late 2025, Thames Water carried out a [Water Regulations Inspection](#) of the Calcot Centre to ensure plumbing complied with the necessary regulations. All outlets (taps, WCs, urinals, sinks, showers, etc) were checked, and a water pressure test was carried out. There were two non-compliances which were rectified within the 21-day deadline. A follow-up visit was then carried out after which a report confirming compliance with regulations was issued.

## Recreation grounds

Antisocial behaviour continues to be a serious issue at all our recreation grounds. In addition to the graffiti on the skate park and general vandalism, littering, etc, other instances included:

- the gate/lock on the entrance to the MUGA at Cotswold recreation ground was vandalised
- wire fencing between Calcot recreation ground and Sainsbury's was cut to give access – this happened quite a few times during the year
- repeated damage to the cycle racks at Cotswold recreation ground
- fly-tipping including garden furniture, tyres, a microwave, roofing waste

All antisocial behaviour is costly to put right, not only financially but also in terms of time, for example for extra litter picking, and so on.



Car parks at our recreation grounds are for use by people hiring the buildings and using the recreational facilities. They are not intended to be overflow car parking for residents, or to be used by people car sharing – sadly, these are particular problems at Calcot where the parking is not locked.

## Hilden's Drive play area

Thank you to the local resident who voluntarily unlocks and locks the gates, it's a great help in preventing littering and other antisocial behaviour in the play area.

We do realise this is quite a commitment and it would be good to have more than one volunteer. Anyone else able to help and share the load should please contact the Clerk ([clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk)).

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## St Michael's Churchyard

There is one churchyard in the parish, on New Lane Hall, opposite St Michael's Church (which is in Reading, not the Parish of Tilehurst). As it has no capacity for new coffin burials, it has been formally "closed" by order of the Privy Council. Following this, the Parochial Church Council (PCC) asked the Parish Council to take on general maintenance of the site, and responsibility and costs transferred from February 2017. The work includes cutting the grass, maintaining fences and carrying out tree work, but excludes the lychgate (roofed gateway entrance) and the graves themselves – the Church remains responsible for these.

The Parish Council budgets £15,000 per year for churchyard maintenance, and the Clerk liaises with the Churchwardens, the Rector and a contractor over work to be carried out. In October 2025, a member of the public contacted the office to say their family grave was covered with fallen branches, and the contractor visited the site to remove the branches, clearing them from three or four graves.



## Cotswold Sports Centre

West Berkshire Council leases the Cotswold Sports Centre and the tennis courts next to it from Tilehurst Parish Council. The courts had become very run down and had not been used for some years, but the District Council recently used some money from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund to refurbish them as a new 3G all-weather playing surface.

The new pitches are available for booking all year round, and are intended to be primarily for playing football, although other sports can be played on them. The floodlights next to the pitches were also reinstated to make the playing surface usable in the evening.

The pitches are available to book between 9.00am and 9.00pm on weekdays, and between 8.00am and 6.00pm at weekends. They are locked and the floodlights turned off overnight.

For booking information and enquiries, see the [sports centre's web site](#).



In spring 2026, West Berkshire Council installed new "StreetPod" cycle parking to enable and encourage people to cycle to the sports centre.



As per the agreement with Tilehurst Parish Council, any problems with the new pods should be reported to the sports centre operator (currently Everyone Active), who is responsible for maintaining the new cycle parking, and for ensuring it is fit for its intended purpose.

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## **Biodiversity and Environment**

A Biodiversity policy to guide the Parish Council on conserving, enhancing and promoting biodiversity and the environment in its decision-making and daily business was first adopted in 2024. It is updated annually and was reviewed and re-adopted at the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 14 April 2026.

Staff and contractors continue to use environmentally friendly pesticides and herbicides, to cut trees and hedges outside bird nesting season and, whenever possible, to leave dead vegetations as a habitat for small mammals and invertebrates. Cutting some trees down in the Churchyard has created an opportunity to carry out some planting there. When we have tree work carried out, the logs are piled up for one of our maintenance officers to pick up and use. The Church has expressed an interest in putting up bat boxes, and the Parish Council is considering suitable locations for bird boxes and insect hotels on its land.

In March 2026, the lighting in the Main Hall at Calcot was upgraded and the old fluorescent strip lights were replaced with new LED tubes which will use less energy, last longer and reduce costs.

## **Local Government Reorganisation**

In December 2024, the government announced that two-tier councils (county and district) would be abolished and replaced with unitary authorities, each providing services to around 500,000 residents.

Although West Berkshire Council is already a unitary authority (so did not need to submit a proposal at this stage), it serves only around 170,000 people so would have to join with other authorities. The council therefore discussed and agreed a number of proposals with neighbouring authorities, including joining with South Oxfordshire and Vale of the White Horse District Councils to form a new "Ridgeway Council".

Reading Borough Council then put forward a counter-proposal suggesting that, if the new Ridgeway Council was formed, some parishes on the eastern border of West Berkshire should move to Reading.

Various public events and meetings were arranged by affected parish councils and, on Monday 20 October, Tilehurst Parish Council hosted a meeting at Calcot with representatives of Reading and West Berkshire Councils giving presentations on their proposals and answering questions. Around 40 residents attended, and a [brief summary of the meeting](#) and questions asked is on the Parish Council's web site.

Reading and West Berkshire councils made further changes to their proposals before submitting them to the government by November 2025. It is expected that the outcome of the reorganisation will be known by September 2026, and that new councils will have their first elections in May 2027.

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## Neighbourhood Development Plan

For many years, a team of local residents and Parish Councillors worked on producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) for the parish of Tilehurst. In February 2025, it was decided to suspend work on the NDP because West Berkshire Council had requested a great many changes to the content, and West Berkshire's Local Plan on future housing development had yet to be finalised.

By the time West Berkshire's Local Plan was approved, the Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) was underway, leading to further uncertainty as to the future of the parish. The Parish Council has therefore deferred making a decision as to whether to continue with the NDP until the outcome and impact of the LGR are known.

## Planning

Tilehurst Parish Council is a statutory consultee on most planning applications in the parish, as well as on those just inside neighbouring parishes or the Reading part of Tilehurst. This means the Planning Authority – West Berkshire Council – sends applications to the Parish Council for consideration and comments or objections. Between April 2025 and March 2026, we discussed almost 70 applications. Although most are not contentious, occasionally green spaces are proposed for development and residents raise their issues and concerns, which can then be included in the Parish Council's feedback.

During the past year the Parish Council received several representations concerning a proposed small housing development at Calcot Park Golf Club and regarding tree felling associated with this development. These concerns extended to wider tree felling which it was felt exceeded the permissions the local authority and forestry commission had granted. The housing application was refused by West Berkshire Council Planning in May 2026.

The Parish Council is aware that residents have continued concerns at the prospect of a housing development at Pincents Hill on land between Sainsbury's, Calcot, and Pincents Lane. The West Berkshire Local Plan now includes provision for a smaller development than previously proposed and a change to the Tilehurst settlement boundary to which the Parish Council did object. Over a year since the local plan was approved there has yet to be a planning application, although we still anticipate one will be submitted and the Parish Council will consult with residents once it is.

Earlier this year, we were deeply saddened to hear that, Joan Lawrie, the leader and founder of the Save Pincents Hill Group, had passed away. Joan was in regular communication with the Parish Council and will be sadly missed.

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## Bus shelter at Sainsbury's, Calcot

In Spring 2025, West Berkshire Council proposed replacing the damaged bus shelter near Sainsbury's, Calcot, before passing ownership to Tilehurst Parish Council. The District Council would part-fund maintenance and cleaning of the shelter for five years, after which full responsibility would devolve to the Parish Council. The matter was included on the agenda of the Parish Council meeting in May but the discussion was deferred as the Clerk was advised that Reading Buses was considering taking on responsibility for the new shelter.

In October, it was confirmed that Reading Buses would take on cleaning and maintenance of the shelter. The new shelter was installed and in use before the end of the month.



## Newsletter

The Parish Council's newsletter was started in autumn 2025, with the first edition being issued in hard copy and delivered to all houses in the parish. Although most of the deliveries were made by a specialist contractor, deliveries to split roads (where some houses are in neighbouring parishes or in Reading Borough Council) were carried out by staff and councillors. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Since then, two issues – winter and spring – have been sent electronically to those who joined the mailing list. A summer edition is planned to be sent in the next month or two.

Anyone who would like to be added to the newsletter distribution list should e-mail [sarah@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:sarah@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk) giving the e-mail address to be used. Any resident who does not have e-mail may request a hard copy by contacting the office. We are also arranging to make back issues available on our web site.

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## COMMUNITY

### Financial donations

The Parish Council has an annual budget from which donations can be made to local groups and organisations which benefit the community. The amount donated must be commensurate with the level of benefit. The following awards were made during the year:

- West Berks Foodbank (2025 Hungry Holidays Scheme) - £1,000.00
- Little Heath Foundation (15 litter pickers for use by Little Heath School) - £149.25

Five further donations were agreed at the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 10 March 2026:

- Tilehurst Junior Youth Club (activities and running services) - £500.00
- Calcot Schools PTFA (school allotment project) - £360.00
- Age UK Reading (support for older residents) - £1,000.00
- Cowshed (support for families during times of crisis) - £1,000.00
- Age UK Berkshire (dementia therapy sessions) - 20% discount on 2026-27 hall hires at Calcot



Calcot Schools allotment – the PTFA project was intended to enable pupils to plant and grow food crops and to learn about food production and the environment. With help from the whole school community, the raised beds were completed by early May, planting had started, and the first seedlings were showing. The Parish Council was thanked for its donation and we were sent the pictures below.



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## Support

The Parish Council continues to support various groups in the community by allowing them to use parish sites for events:

- Westwood Farm Community Association held its Easter Farm event in April at Cotswold recreation ground
- Barton Rovers Football Club used Turnhams Farm recreation ground and changing rooms for its Annual Tournament in July
- Westwood Wanderers Football Club held its annual Presentation Day at Cotswold recreation ground in July
- Tilehurst Litter Pickers used Turnhams Farm Hall as a base for sessions
- Scouts used Turnhams Farm Hall as a meeting point for trips
- Local groups and schools used the car park at Calcot as a meeting point for days out
- There have been public meetings on issues such as Local Government Reorganisation
- District Councillors have used halls to meet with residents to discuss local issues



Discounts on hall and Committee Room hires may be given to some charitable groups as a way of supporting their work in the local community (they must have a charity number).



One of our councillors is our nominated Trustee for Tilehurst People's Local Charity (also known as Tilehurst Poor's Land Charity), a local grant-making charity covering Calcot, Tilehurst, Southcote, Holybrook, and Theale. A second councillor is an independent Trustee on the same charity.



Three of our councillors are Co-opted Governors on the Calcot Schools Governing Body.



West Berkshire Council had another give-away of free compostable food caddy liners in its libraries throughout September 2025, and we were again invited to hold a stock of the liners. The giveaways are popular, and we had a steady stream of residents come to the office to ask for their roll of liners.

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## Policing

The Clerk continues to have regular contact with PCSOs and police officers, and to report incidents and issues as they arise. Representatives of Thames Valley Police (TVP) also participate in the Youth and Community Safety working group which meets to discuss crime and anti-social behaviour in the parish, particularly on our recreation grounds.

TVP continues to hold community engagement sessions at Stoneham Grove Care Home. These meetings offer members of the public an opportunity to ask the Neighbourhood team questions about ongoing local issues, and the sign-up for them is via the [Thames Valley Alert](#) free e-mail messaging system.

Pangbourne Neighbourhood Police Team also holds “Have your say” sessions around the parish, when members of the team give residents the opportunity to talk to them and raise issues of concern locally. The next session is scheduled for 5.30-5.45pm on Sunday 19 July at Tesco on Knowsley Road

## Volunteers

Staff from the Reading office of an IT company volunteered to carry out some tasks for the Parish Council as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility day on Thursday 18 September. The tasks were agreed, a risk assessment was completed, and gloves, goggles, masks were bought. On the day, a team of four visited Calcot and spent the morning cleaning algae from play equipment and flooring (as per the RoSPA report). In the afternoon, they steam-cleaned half the fabric chairs (the rest were being used), cleaned all the folding tables, and touched up some paintwork in the Jubilee Annexe.



All in all, it was a very positive and productive day, and we would like to thank the volunteers for their hard work – we’d certainly welcome them back again.

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## Youth work

In spring 2025, Tilehurst Parish Council contracted Berkshire Youth to provide youth services in the parish for a further year. Over the past few years, we have worked together to set up two youth clubs (junior and senior, both in the Jubilee Annexe, Calcot), to run free football/Kicks sessions with Berkshire Youth and Reading Football Club at Cotswold Sports Centre, and to hold sports in the park in school holidays. The Parish Council also subsidised an ice skating trip in December, and Berkshire Youth carried out regular detached youth work which involves youth workers and volunteers visiting various sites and engaging with young people they meet.

Disappointingly, over the year, some activities proved less popular than we had hoped:

- attendance at sports in the park over the summer remained low, despite flyers being delivered to local schools
- in early 2026, we were informed that the Kicks sessions were no longer attracting any attendees – the sessions were therefore stopped at February half term
- fewer than ten young people regularly attended each youth club.

As a result, although the Parish Council is keen to continue with its youth projects, the decision has been made to make some changes over the coming year while other options and service providers are investigated.

This means there will be no sports in the park in 2026-26 and no detached youth work after July 2026. Kicks sessions have also been suspended but we are currently in discussion with Reading Football Club about the possibility of restarting them later in the year. Falling numbers at youth clubs means the two clubs will be combined and held on one night a week for the time being – the situation will be monitored with a view to separating the clubs again should regular attendance improve sufficiently.

We would really welcome feedback from young people and adults on our youth service offering in the parish, including thoughts on how sessions are run and publicised, and other possible services and providers.

All our youth services rely heavily on volunteers to whom we give a very big “thank you”. Anyone interested in becoming involved in helping run our youth services alongside a professional youth worker should contact the parish office.

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## Projects

In June 2025, two projects were carried out on parish recreation grounds. Both were part-funded by Members' Bids from West Berkshire Council with the rest of the costs being covered by the Parish Council.

The first was at Turnhams Farm recreation ground where some of the fencing along Little Heath Road was removed and a DDA-compliant gate was installed. The path from the children's play area was extended past the football changing rooms to the new gate, enabling those with disabilities or pushchairs to access the recreation ground in all weathers.



Benches and bins were put in near the gate, and it is hoped that many local residents will enjoy the improved access and facilities.



The second project was at Cotswold recreation ground.

The bonded rubber mulch safety surface under play equipment had been poorly laid and had deteriorated severely over the past few years, making it vulnerable to vandalism. The project involved removing all the old surface and replacing it with new rubber mulch, with wet pour in high wear areas such as under the swings.

Work took two weeks, and the play area was reopened at the end of June.



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A further project was scheduled at Cornwell recreation ground in December 2025, as the old wooden swings and wet pour surface under them had deteriorated beyond repair and had been included in the 2025 report by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA). A Members' Bid application to cover some of the costs was successful, and the work was scheduled to start on Monday 15 December.



Unfortunately, it was quickly discovered that additional groundwork would be necessary, and that fencing between the swings and the playground would have to be removed.

It was possible, however, to keep the project within budget by using the contingency and not fitting wooden edging around the new surface.

The new surface was left to settle over the weekend of 20/21 December, and installation was completed and the new swings opened on Monday 22 December.

## **Future projects**

The boundary fence between Calcot recreation ground and Sainsbury's keeps being cut so consideration is being given to replacing a stretch of fencing with something more robust. Quotes received indicate this would be very costly.

The goals at Cotswold recreation ground will need replacing in the near future. It is hoped it might be possible to recycle the existing goals to provide permanent goals at Cornwell recreation ground.

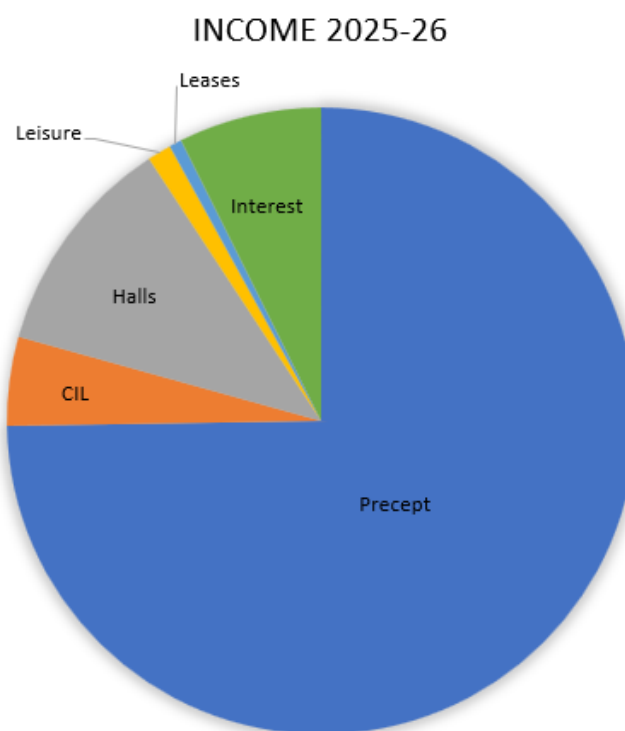
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## COUNCIL FINANCES

### Tilehurst Parish Council income and expenditure 2025-26

Income	£	%
Precept	336,712	74.74
Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and grants	20,686	4.59
Hall lettings	51,533	11.44
Leisure and recreation (football pitch hire)	5,524	1.23
Leases and miscellaneous income	2,903	0.64
Interest and investment income	33,134	7.36
<b>Total</b>	<b>450,492</b>	<b>100.00</b>



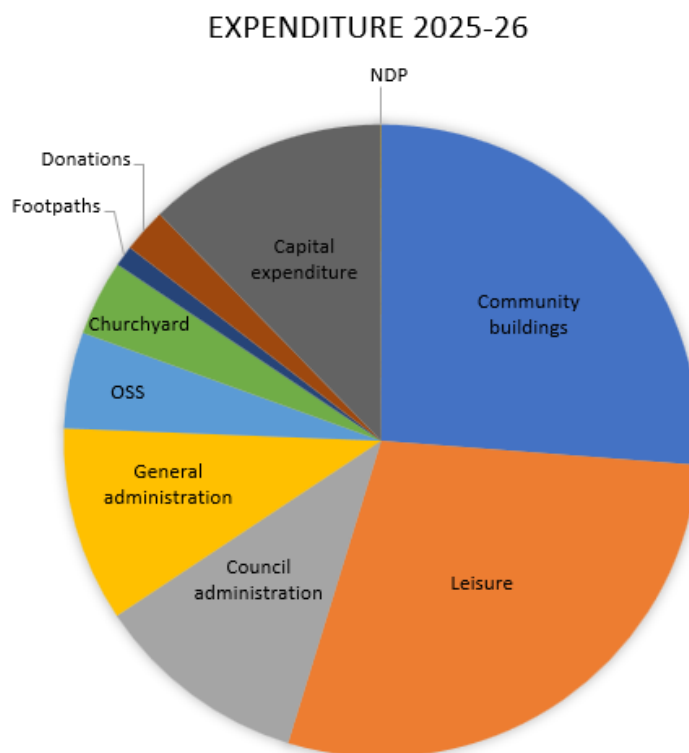
The precept is the part of the Council Tax bill which funds services provided by the Parish Council. For the 2025-26 financial year, the precept (annual charge) was £60.47 per Band D household. For 2026-27, this will increase by 9.61% TO £66.28.

In 2025-26, the grants awarded to the Parish Council were Members' Bids from West Berkshire Council. There is more detail on how the money was spent under "Projects" above.

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Expenditure	£	%
Maintenance of community buildings	116,996	26.22
Leisure and recreation	127,234	28.52
Council administration (including meetings)	48,704	10.92
Facilities and general administration (excluding staff costs)	44,486	9.97
Other specialised services (OSS) (ie contract with Berkshire Youth)	21,953	4.92
Upkeep of St Michael's Churchyard	17,225	3.86
Footpaths and street lighting	4,682	1.05
Donations to local organisations and discounted hall use	10,065	2.25
Capital expenditure (ie play equipment)	54,588	12.24
Production of Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)	222	0.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>446,155</b>	<b>100.00</b>



In 2025-26, the highest expenditure was on Leisure and recreation which includes maintenance of recreation grounds, play areas and gym equipment, grass cutting, tree work, emptying bins.

Staffing costs needed to deliver services around the parish are included in the above figures to make the total expenditure on each function as accurate as possible.

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Tilehurst Parish Council is made up of three separate wards and can have up to 18 councillors in total. Current councillors as at May 2026 are:

Ward	Councillor
Tilehurst North (maximum eight councillors)	Mrs Rosie Braine Mr Femi Royal Mr Robert Loaring
Tilehurst Central (maximum nine councillors)	Mr Clive Taylor                      Chairman Mrs Pippa Furlong-King Ms Joanne Stewart                      Vice Chairman Mrs Helen Manghnani Mr Malcolm Powers Mrs Caroline Basden Mr Tony Linden Mr Joe Lally
Tilehurst Calcot (maximum one councillor)	Mrs Sandra Vickers

This means there are currently six vacancies which can be filled by co-option. Anyone who would like to know more about the role or who wishes to apply should contact the Clerk by e-mailing [clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk) or calling 0118 941 8833.

### Parish Council responsibilities

There are strict laws governing what a parish council may or may not do. Below is a guide as to the responsibilities of Tilehurst Parish Council and West Berkshire District Council (this is not a comprehensive list).

Tilehurst Parish Council	West Berkshire Council
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parish recreation grounds and play areas, including benches, litter and dog waste bins</li><li>• Parish halls</li><li>• Parish notice boards</li><li>• Salt bins</li><li>• Some bus shelters, streetlights and benches near the highway</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Highways authority – potholes, cleaning, streetlights, pavements, signage, etc</li><li>• Public rights of way (footpaths and bridleways)</li><li>• Recycling and waste collections</li><li>• Planning authority</li></ul>

Some matters, such as the salt bins, have already been devolved from district to parish level, and further devolution is expected in the near future.

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## Parish Council Meetings

Full Council meetings are held from 7.30pm on the second Tuesday of each month in the Main Hall, Calcot; the current schedule is:

SCHEDULE OF FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS		
	2026	2027
January	13	12
February	10	9
March	10	9
April	14	13
May	12	11
June	9	
July	14	
August	11	
September	8	
October	13	
November	10	
December	8	

All Parish Council meetings and Committee meetings are open to the public, and every meeting has an allocated time for questions or statements from members of the public. It is helpful if anyone planning to attend advises the Clerk in advance.

Agendas and minutes of meetings may be found on the Parish Council's web site – [www.tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk)

## Parish Office

The Parish Office is at Highview, Calcot, Reading RG31 4XD, and the telephone number is 0118 941 8833.

The office is open to visitors from Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 3.00pm (excluding bank holidays) – no appointment is needed. Anyone wishing to visit outside these times should contact the office to arrange a suitable time.

