

Malpas Parish Council – Update on Your Parish Precept (2026–27)

We want to keep everyone in Malpas fully informed about how your money is being spent and what it means for our village.

Why is the precept increasing?

We've worked hard over recent years to keep increases as low as possible. However, like many households, the Council is now facing rising costs, with essential running expenses reaching around **£25,000 per year**.

At the same time, we remain committed to improving Malpas and investing in things that really matter to our community.

What will the money be used for?

This year, we're investing in a range of projects to maintain and improve village life:

Christmas Lights Upgrade (£4,000)

Brighter, expanded festive lighting (including Church Street) to boost village spirit and support local businesses.

Community Grants (£10,000)

Supporting local groups and organisations – over £10,000 was awarded last year alone.

Highways Improvements (£4,000)

Safer and more accessible roads and pathways.

Village Events (£2,000)

Helping fund events that bring everyone together, including Christmas celebrations.

Malpas History Project (£2,000)

New QR codes around the village to share local history and attract visitors.

Neighbourhood Plan (£5,000)

Ensuring future development reflects what residents want, protecting the character of Malpas.

Village Appearance (£2,400)

Keeping Malpas clean, tidy, and welcoming for everyone.

New Street Orderly Service (£12,000)

A dedicated service to help keep our village looking its best all year round.

Cemetery Contribution (£5,000)

Supporting the upkeep of Malpas Cemetery, especially following the withdrawal of funding from Cheshire West and Chester Council.

 **Total investment in the village: £46,500**

Our commitment to you

- We will always be open about how your money is spent
- We will focus on visible improvements that benefit residents
- We will continue to protect essential services while enhancing village life

Have your say

We'd love to hear your thoughts. Please share your feedback and get involved as these projects move forward.

The Council normally meets on the last Thursday of every Month at 7pm in the Jubilee Hall, High Street, Malpas, Cheshire.

Members of the public can also raise issues with a Parish Councillor at the monthly surgery; these are held in the Old Fire Station, Malpas, Cheshire on the first Saturday of every month between 3.00 pm and 4:00 pm.

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