

HARSTON PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on Thursday 5th March 2026 at **Harston Village Hall, Large Committee Room, Cambridge, CB22 7PX**

Present: Councillor Pearce Gould; Councillor Holdom; Councillor Wedgbury

There were 4 members of the public present and the clerk, Jessica Harding

Members 5: Quorum 3

F25-26/140 Approval of Apologies and Reasons for Absence

It was proposed by Councillor Wedgbury, seconded by Councillor Pearce Gould and resolved that the apologies for absence with acceptable reasons from Councillor Stierer and Councillor Wilson are approved

F25-26/141 Members' Declaration of Interest for Items on the Agenda

(Localism Act 2011 s 31 s 33)

None

F25-26/142 Open Forum for Public Participation (10 Minutes)

None

F25-26/143 Minutes of Previous Meeting

It was proposed by Councillor Wedgbury, seconded by Councillor Pearce Gould and resolved that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 5th February 2026 are approved and signed by the Finance Committee Chair.

F25-26/144 Bank Reconciliations

It was proposed by Councillor Pearce Gould, seconded by Councillor Wedgbury and resolved that the bank reconciliations for February are approved and signed.

F25-26/145 Harston Parish Council Payments

It was proposed by Councillor Wedgbury, seconded by Councillors Pearce Gould and resolved that the accounts be approved for payment and that all payments made since the previous meeting are approved, including the additional invoice of £3,372.00 from Arboricultural Consultants.

Payments made since last meeting

Lloyds Bank	Multi Pay Card (Clear Balance)			
	Card Fee	£3.00	£0.00	£3.00
Valdar Energy	Pavilion Gas & Electricity	£75.78	£3.79	£79.57
Jessica Ward	Clerks Salary (Confidential)	0.00	£0.00	0.00
		£78.78	£3.79	£82.57

Payments for Meeting

HMRC	Tax & NI	£546.32	£0.00	£546.32
Nest	Pension	£110.51	£0.00	£110.51
Jessica Ward	Clerk's Expenses	£66.10	£0.00	£66.10
Npower	Street Lighting	£39.05	£1.95	£41.00
Source for business	Pavilion water charge	£134.94	£0.00	£134.94
Edge IT	Burial Ground records & mapping	£358.00	£71.60	£429.60

Nutcombes Plumbing LTD	Legionella & annual gas inspection	£323.00	£67.60	£387.60
Microshade VSM	Remote hosting	£636.48	£127.30	£763.78
Jason Trueman	Pavilion Caretaker	£262.50	£0.00	£262.50
		£2,476.90	£268.45	£2,742.35

Receipts Received

Cambridge Building Society	Interest	£1,502.75	£0.00	£1,502.75
		£1,502.75	£0.00	£1,502.75

F25-26/146 Budget and General Reserve

It was proposed by Councillor Pearce Gould, seconded by Councillor Wedgbury, and resolved that the Finance Committee approve the Microshade invoice, with the expenditure to be met from the General Reserves and that a recommendation be made to the Parish Council at the April meeting.

F25-26/147 Dog Waste Bins

It was proposed by Councillor Pearce Gould, seconded by Councillor Wedgbury, and resolved that the Finance Committee approve the purchase of four dog waste bins from Glasdon at a cost of £845.62 and the installation costs, estimated at £150, to be funded from the Section 106 funds.

The Clerk advised that suggested locations will be brought to the Recreation Ground Working Group for consideration.

F25-26/148 Play Area Bench

It was proposed by Councillor Pearce Gould, seconded by Councillor Wedgbury, and resolved that the Finance Committee approves the Clerk to spend up to £500 to purchase a new bench for the small children's play area, with the expenditure to be met from the Section 106 funds.

The Clerk will liaise with Councillor Reynolds to discuss potential options for the design of the bench.

F25-26/149 Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Any business and payments to be considered at the Finance Committee meeting must be delivered to the Clerk for inclusion in the agenda at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

- Consider new Ear Mark Reserves and suitability of existing Ear Mark Reserves

F25-26/150 Date of Next Meeting

Date/Time: 2nd April 2026 – 7.00pm

Location: Harston Village Hall, Large Committee Room, Cambridge, CB22 7PX

Meeting closed - 7.24pm

Chairman: _____ Date: _____