



## Churchill Parish Council

### Minutes of the Finance & Personnel Committee Meeting held on 30 March 2026

Committee Members – Councillors Richard Baker (Chair of Committee), Jackie Bush, David Johnson, Jan Murray, Mimi Simpson, Jon Ronicle.

Public Questions- If the Council wishes to exclude the public for a particular agenda item, the following resolution must be passed:

'That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of agenda item(s) ... on the ground that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest [by reason of the confidential nature of the business] or [for other special reason which must be stated].

- 26/FP/3A To note any apologies of absence.  
Councillor J Ronicle sent his apologies.
- 26/FC/3B To receive any declarations of interest.  
There were no declarations of interest.
- 26/FC/3C To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.  
It was resolved to confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.
- 26/FP/3D To discuss savings accounts for 2026-27.  
It was agreed that Councillor Baker will investigate other options as the interest rates on the accounts discussed were low.
- 26/FP/3E To review the earmarked reserves for 26-27.  
It was resolved to keep the earmarked reserves as they are and to add the unspent sums to the cricket net and consultancy ear marked reserves. The clerk will add the agreed ear marked reserve for the village event and set up the costs for the Electric Vehicle charging point.
- 26/FP/3F To discuss a plan to increase the general reserves over the next 3 years.  
It was resolved to keep to the budget, only focus on proposed projects and apply for funding wherever possible. The Committee recommend keeping the precept to a minimum in view of the cost of living costs and

building the general reserve to the required 6 months operational target over a period of 3 years.

- 26/FP/3G To note the balance of the PWLB loan.  
The formal audit statement will be issued in April, however the calculated outstanding balance is £40799.99.
- 26/FP/3H To discuss the budget and expenditure for 2025-26.  
The Committee agreed that the budget and expenditure was on target considering the additional projects taken during the year.
- 26/FP/3I To discuss the Community Club.  
It was resolved to propose to full Council to extend the Community Club which will provide a parish office and extend the café. The clerk will obtain the PWLB loan rates and Councillor Baker will look at commercial loan rates.
- 26/FP/3J To consider a new purchases card provider.  
It was agreed to change the credit card provider to Unity Trust due to the fee increase with the existing provider.
- 26/FP/3K Matters for information.  
There were no matters for information.

Date of next scheduled meeting: 6 July 2026