MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday 13 January 2026
in Skidby Village Hall

PRESENT: Councillors Browning, Haslam, Hasnip, Varey.
Clerk J Price

F16/25	**Apologies for Absence**
	Apologies were received from Councillor Foster.
F17/25	**Declarations of interest – Members Code of Conduct. To record any declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest by any member in respect of items on this agenda.**
	Councillor Hasnip declared a pecuniary interest in minute F18/25 insofar as his partner had a contract with the Parish Council and did not take part in the consideration of relevant budgets.
F18/25	**Budget Proposals for 2026-27**
	Councillor Hasnip declared a pecuniary interest in this item insofar as his partner had a contract with the Parish Council and did not take part in the consideration of relevant budgets. Councillors noted that there had been a thorough discussion of the proposed budget at the previous meeting. Further discussion took place relating to provision for further flood works and necessary remedial works at the cemeteries. **Resolved: that the proposed budget be recommended to the Parish Council for agreement.**
F19/25	**To make a recommendation to the Parish Council on the precept for 2026-27**
	Councillors noted the amount required to balance the budget for 2026-27 and discussed options for meeting this requirement. Councillors recognised pressures on household incomes, but also the need to ensure that the Parish Council had sufficient funds to undertake proposed improvement works in the parish. It was proposed that a small part of the proposed budget increase be funded from reserves. **Resolved that it be recommended to the Parish Council:** **I. that £441 from the general reserve be used to support the 2026-27 budget, and** **II. the precept be set at £51530, which represented a 14.99% increase compared with 2025-26 and an increase of £12.40 per year for a Band D property.**
F20/25	**To review the Risk Register and make recommendations to the parish council on any changes required**

	The Clerk submitted the Councils risk register and suggested that further risks relating to data loss and GDPR should be included. **Resolved: that the Clerk adds further risks addressing data loss and GDPR and resubmits the risk register to a future meeting of the Parish Council.**

The meeting concluded at 7.29pm

Signed as a true record …… Date ……
(Chairman)