

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday 2 June 2026
in Skidby Village Hall

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

F1/26	Election of Chair for 2026-27
	It was proposed by Councillor Varey and seconded by Councillor Foster and agreed unanimously that Councillor Browning be elected as Chair of the Finance Committee for 2026-27 Resolved: that Councillor Browning be elected as Chair of the Finance Committee for 2026-27
F2/26	Apologies for Absence
	No apologies were received.
F3/26	Declarations of interest – Members Code of Conduct.
	a) To record any declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest by any member in respect of items on this agenda. No declarations were received in respect of any items on this agenda.
	b) To consider any written requests for dispensations in relation to any items on this agenda No dispensation requests had been received
F4/27	Appointment of Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee for 2026-27
	It was proposed by Councillor Varey and seconded by Councillor Hasnip and agreed unanimously that Councillor Foster be appointed as Vice Chair of the Finance Committee for 2026-27 Resolved: that Councillor Foster be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee for 2026-27.
F5/26	Internal Auditor’s Report
	The Clerk submitted the Internal Auditor’s report. She reported that the Internal Auditor had highlighted three minor issues. The Clerk submitted an Action Plan setting out actions taken to address the issues raised. The Chair went through each of the Internal Auditor’s comments noting that all of the issues raised had been addressed. Resolved: that it be recommended to the Council: i. that the Internal Auditor’s report be accepted, and ii. that the actions taken to address the issues raised by the Internal Auditor be noted.
F6/26	Council accounts for the Council Year 2025-26

	<p>The Clerk submitted the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Bank Reconciliation b) Payments and Receipts Account c) Payments and Receipts Summary <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the Council accounts for 2025-26 be noted and submitted to the Parish Council for information; ii. that the reserves at 31 March 2026 be noted, and iii. that the balances in the playground (£153) and commitment reserve (£870) be transferred to the Flooding Reserve.
F7/26	Annual Governance and Accountability Return
	<p>The Clerk submitted the completed Internal Auditor's report, Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements for 2025-26 and the Explanation of Variances compared with 2024-25.</p> <p>The Committee considered each of the assertions in the Annual Governance Statement and concluded that the Parish Council had complied with all of the requirements.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the Internal Auditor's report be noted; ii. that the Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements for 2025-26 be noted and recommended for approval by the Parish Council, and iii. that the Explanation of Variances be noted.
F8/26	To approve the start date for the period during which the Parish Council must provide for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations
	<p>The Clerk sought members' views on an appropriate start date for the period during which the Parish Council must provide for the exercise of public rights.</p> <p>Resolved: that it be recommended to the Parish Council that the period for the exercise of public rights should commence on 10 June 2026 and end on 21 July 2026.</p>

The meeting concluded at 8.04pm

Signed as a true record Date
(Chair)