



Weldon Parish Council

Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 21st January 2026 at Weldon Village Academy, 09:30 am

Present	Cllrs Jon Frohmaier, Angela Page and Kane Taylor
Also Present	Claire Ducker (Clerk)

FC.2618 **Apologies** received from Cllrs Cooke & Gibson, all accepted

FC.2619 **Declarations of Interest** - none

FC.2620 The minutes of the meeting held on 17th December 2025 were approved and signed by Cllr Taylor

FC.2621 **Clerk Report** - Following the Full Council meeting held on Monday 1st December 2025, there is currently £211,770.55 across both bank accounts. Councillors approved to authorise staff, HMRC, NPC Maintenance payments for the end of January, and any further invoices that come through that require payment before 2nd February, when the next Full Council meeting is due to be held

- Grant application received from Weldon Park Neighbourhood Association for £399 to cover the cost of their Public Liability Insurance
 - All in agreement and to take to Full Council for approval on 2nd February 2026
 - Ask WPNA to cooperate more with WPC and attend the Full Council meetings to give updates, if not able to attend send a report
- No maintenance forms have been received. Nigel has requested the following:
 - To purchase of 'keep off the grass' signs from Amazon - size 30x20cm rust-free aluminum for £14.99, pack of 2
 - All agreed to purchase 12 signs (6 packs)
 - The pocket park has a pile of branches, rubble, etc. that needs to be shredded and removed. We used Northants Groundwork last year, they can help Nigel next week (wc 26.01.26) at a cost of £300 + VAT, this will come out of the Pocket Park budget, which has a remaining £520 left in there
 - All agreed to this work to be carried out
- Purchase 'lamp light of peace' at the cost of £55.00 from <https://berryuseful.co.uk/products/lamp-light-of-peace> - it was agreed that Cllr Page could go ahead and purchase one

FC.2622 **Review and update the Grant policy** - amendments to the policy and application form were discussed. It was agreed to include the following clarifications and take to the next Full Council meeting for full approval:



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- Multiple applications within a financial year:
Community groups may submit more than one grant application within the same financial year, provided each application relates to a different project.
- Requests for additional funding for an existing project:
If a group has already received a grant for a project but requires further funding, an additional award may be considered at the discretion of the Parish Council.

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Any Future Items

- **Grass Cutting and Caretakers contract - due for renewal March 2027**
 - It was discussed, following a meeting that Cllr Page and the Clerk attended, that once a contractor has been appointed through the tender process, they are responsible for managing their own workload and hours. Councillor or the Clerk should not direct or allocate tasks to the contractor outside their agreed scope
 - No extra works should be carried out without quotes received and agreed by the Council
 - Invite the current caretaker to attend a future Finance meeting
- **Clerk to contact Cllrs Cooke & Shepard for an update on the installation of electricity to the village green**
- **Clerk requested to be paid overtime for additional work expected to continue to set up the Scribe accounts system. This was agreed to be taken to the full council for approval**
- **Review the memorial tree policy**

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Next Financial Committee meeting Wednesday 25th February 2026 at Weldon Village Academy, 10:00.

This being all the business, the meeting was closed by Cllr Taylor at 11:11

Signature	Date
<i>K Taylor</i>	25th February 2026