

# **Chesterton Parish Council**

## **Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting At Chesterton Community Centre 1.30pm, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

# **DRAFT**

Councillors Present: Johnathan Chavda (Chair), Andrew Thomas, Gary Warland

In attendance: Mike White (RFO) and Brian Inglis (Clerk)

1. **To Receive Councillor Apologies for Absence**

None received

2. **To Approve and Sign the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

It was resolved that the minutes were a true record of the meeting and were duly signed by Cllr Johnathan Chavda.

3. **To agree and sign Bank Balance to Receipts and Summary schedule for October 2025**

Having been previously circulated, this schedule was scrutinised by Councillors. The RFO answered questions as they arose, following which the schedule was approved by Councillors.

4. **To review and Approve invoices paid in October 2025**

The RFO commented on the list of payments, which had been previously circulated, and this list was approved by Councillors.

5. **Update on progress from previous minutes**

None

6. **To consider the purchase of a solar Christmas Lighting system**

Cllr Chavda presented options and associated costs for this project. After discussion it was agreed to spend an amount of up to £1000 and taken from funds reserved for village upkeep.  
(Action – Cllr Chavda to progress and to arrange installation at the Top Green)

7. **Budget for 2026/27 and Precept Amount**

The RFO presented a DRAFT Budget for the FY 2026/27 (previously circulated) and after discussion it was resolved to present this budget to the full council meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

The DRAFT Budget contained a proposed Precept Request amount of £65536. This proposal will be presented to the full council meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

8. **Bank Deposits**

The RFO commented on the status of deposits and savings bonds, and options for transfers, answering questions as they arose. The RFO recommendations were accepted by Councillors.

The meeting closed at 2:17pm

Date of next finance meeting was set as Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026, at 1:30pm.

Signed as agreed .....

Cllr J Chavda (Chair)

Date .....