

PLAISTOW AND IFOLD PARISH COUNCIL



Annual Parish Meeting 2026

Parish Council Organisation

- Over the last year the Council roles were allocated as follows:
 - Chair- Paul Jordan
 - Vice Chair- Sophie Capsey
 - Committee Chairs :
 - Planning - Sophie Capsey
 - Finance - Phil Colmer
- Council Clerk - Jane Bromley
- 9 Councillors and **2 Vacancies**



Financials 2025-2026

Income

- Precept £120,000
- Grants £ 10,000
- Interest £ 2,000

Total £132,000

Reserves end 2025/26

Total £103,000

Expenditures

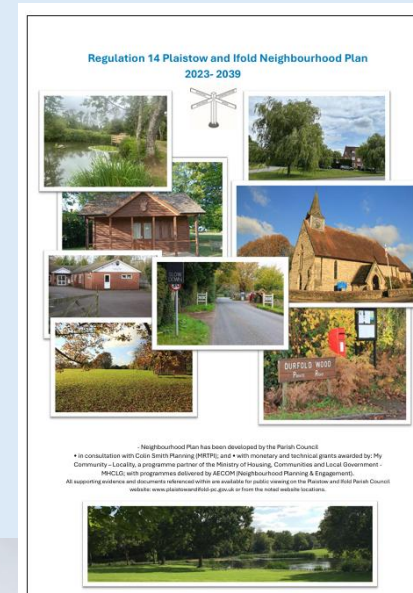
- Grants £9,500
- Playparks £ 24,400
- Maintenance £ 17,500
- Planning Related £6,800
- Administration, Staff £61,900
- Loan Repayments £10,000

Total £130,100

Planning and Development

A key role of a Parish Council is representing the community in how the Parish positively and sustainably develops over time

- Planning Committee, reviewed and commented on over 65 planning applications
- Tree Applications supported by Tree Warden, David Lugton
- Neighbourhood Plan completed Regulation 14 consultation
 - Passing to CDC in May for Regulation 15 / 16
 - Hoping for examination Autumn 2026
 - Adoption after referendum in early 2027



Highways, Transport, and Trees

- Highways issues remain a significant concern for residents.
- The Council continued to report and monitor potholes, blocked ditches, and drainage failures across the parish.
- A Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) application for Shillinglee was submitted but unfortunately was unsuccessful.
- The fingerpost at Common House Lane was fully renovated, preserving an important heritage feature.
- Trees on Parish land surveyed to ensure public safety.
- Necessitated much Trees care works over the last year.



Events and community activities

- VE Day 80th Anniversary Celebration
- Two parish-wide litter picks
- 80s Tea Party



Biodiversity Group

- School fete stand
- Planting a new Community Orchard along Dunsfold Road
- Enhanced Plaistow Green boundary with traditional dead hedge
- Ongoing maintenance of the Ifold Community Garden
- Replaced memorial tree on Plaistow Green with a copper bench.



Community Facilities and Local Groups support

Several significant community projects were delivered this year:

- Ifold Pre-School Play Area:
- Plaistow Green Cricket Pavilion Renovation
- Maintenance around Plaistow Pond

Grants totaling over £9500 to the community including

- Plaistow Primary School
- Scouts and Guides
- Loxwood Sports Association
- First Responders defibrillators
- Kirdford Church yard Maintenance
- Air Ambulance



Communications

- Parish Newsletters
- Church newsletter article every month
- 200 hundred on E-News Group receiving monthly updates
- Notice boards updated with a list of meetings dates and venues
- Banners in each settlement area advertising events of note



Winter and Emergency Preparedness

- Winter and Emergency Plan Committee focus on severe weather
- Work included:
 - Monitoring Parish salt bins.
 - Emergency snow clearance contracts
 - Emergency response equipment in village halls
- Central Government calling for resilience plan for local communities
- Need community volunteers to develop and action in the event of an emergency



Thank You to all Community Volunteers