



**Minutes of the meeting of Plaistow and Ifold Parish Council's Finance Committee held on
Tuesday 21st April 2026 at 19.30 -Kelsey Hall, Ifold.**

Attendance Parish Councillors: Phil Colmer (Chair); Andrew Woolf; Rick Robinson; Paul Jordan. No members of the public. Jane Bromley Parish Council Clerk.

F/10/2026 **Apologies for absence:** Parish Councillor Nicholas Taylor.

F/11/2026 **Disclosure of interests:** None.

F/12/2026 **Minutes:** **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the [Finance Committee meeting held on 7th January 2026](#)

F/13/2026 **Public participation:** None.

F/14/2026 **Quarter 4 Finances:**

Recommendation: - To receive and consider: -

- The 2025/26 Budget Forecast Comparison spreadsheet at Quarter 4 (End of Year).

Resolved as approved.

It was noted The Winterton Hall Legal Assessment Budget of £4500 and the Winterton Hall maintenance budget of £6000 remain unspent. The Foxbridge Planning Consultancy budget remained relatively intact at £3570. Income for the year above precept was £11947 arising from grants and interest received.

Overall, there was a **surplus income over expenditure of £8665** as opposed to an original forecast of an **overspend of £16890** for the year.

Reserves at the year-end were:

Ear Marked £19000 comprising: Winterton Hall £11500; Foxbridge Planning £4750; Election reserves £750; Maintenance £2000.

Capital Reserves of £4769 for the last instalment to PWLB.

General Reserves of £71383

The Chair had produced some summary charts covering the year from 2019/2020 which were of interest to the Committee and discussed regarding general trends. The general reserve position had greatly improved after negative reserves over the three-year 21/22 to 23/24.

Maintaining the precept at the current level was discussed although it was noted the expenditure at the beginning of the year 25/26 anticipated expenditure above the level of the precept as does the draft expenditure budget for 26/27.

- F/15/2026 **Banking:**
Recommendation – That the Direct Debit payments, as listed continue for 2026/27, be recommended to Full Council.
RESOLVED as approved.
- F/16/2026 **2026/27 Budget:**
Recommendation: - To consider and recommend the updated 2026/27 budget to the Full Council.
The draft budget was discussed, and the following adjustments were to be made:
Code 4146 Other expenditure- reduce from £500 to £250.
Code 4202 Kelsey Hall - reduce from £8000 to £6000 and Grant Contingency Expenditure up from £2270 to £5270 making grant expenditure overall £15000.
Plaistow Pond £300 increased to £1000.
It was agreed to reduce 4317 Foxbridge Planning and development from £4570 to £1500 and 4317 Other Planning and development increase from £2000 to £5000.
Ear Marked Reserves for 26/27: £1000 Winterton Hall £1000 Elections £2000 Maintenance
RESOLVED after the above adjustments were used to recalculate the budget the budget would be recommended to Full Council on 12th May 2026.
- F/17/2026 **Grant Applications:**
Recommendation: - To consider and resolve upon the 2026/27 grant applications received (Tranche 1)
1. 4 Sight **£170**
2. 80s T Party **£500**
3. BEAT **£550**
4. CDC Food Bank **£210**
5. Church yard maintenance **£1500**
6. Youth Club **£2000** for
 - Building repairs- gutter, electrics and LED lights
 - Equipment repairs- Table tennis, pool cues, karaoke. Art supplies.
7. Kelsey Hall **£8000** for
 - Solar Panels & battery contribution for installation and (page 5 of quote) electrical back up. **£6000 recommended.**
8. Tyler’s Trust **£300**
RESOLVED as recommended to Full Council apart from £6000 and not £8000 to Kelsey Hall.
- F/18/2026 **Meeting Dates** - End of Qrt.1 meeting Finance Committee Meeting - 20th July 2026, 7.30pm, Kelsey Hall, Ifold.
The meeting closed at 9.05pm

