



**Minutes of the meeting of Plaistow and Ifold Parish Council's Finance Committee held on Monday  
20th July 26 at 19.30 at the Kelsey Hall, Ifold.**

**Attendance** Parish Councillors: Phil Colmer (Chair), Paul Jordon, Rick Robinson. Jane Bromley  
Parish Council Clerk.

F/19/2026 **Apologies for absence.** Parish Councillor Nicholas Taylor.

F/20/2026 **Disclosure of interests:** None.

F/21/2026 **Minutes. RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the [Finance Committee meeting held on 21st April 2026](#)

F/22/2026 **Public participation.** None.

F/23/2026. **Quarter 1 Budget Finances and Reserves Allocations:**

**Recommendation:** - To consider the 2026/27 Budget Forecast Comparison spreadsheet at Quarter 1 (End of Year).

The £4500 Legal Assessment Winterton Hall budget was reduced from £4500 to £3500 as the quote from the solicitor completing the task had been much less than previously at £1750 rather than £4500. The £1000 released from Legal Assessment Winterton Hall was allocated to the Biodiversity Working Group budget to increase that to £1250. The Neighbourhood Plan budget at £4000, with only £975 spent on consultancy to reach Submission Plan this year, was likely to be excessive but for the current time left in place.

The Ear Marked reserves are to be left as stated namely:

Winterton Hall - Repairs & Maintenance £1000

Election Expenses (uncontested) £1000

Village Maintenance £2000

General Reserves £87482

Finances are looking healthy.

In view of increased expenditure on Biodiversity this year compared to last it was proposed by Cllr Robinson to ask for a small donation towards the Bat Walk planned for this autumn which will be provided at a cost of over £9 per person with numbers restricted at 20. A donation of £5 was to be asked for, for future Biodiversity projects  
**RESOLVED** as approved.

F/24/2026 **Grant Awards:** No applications received. The Clerk was asked to include in publicity the availability for organisations and clubs of a small grant from the Parish Council.

F/25/2026 **Meeting Dates:** 7<sup>th</sup> October 2026 Finance Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Review.

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