



PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the finance committee meeting held on Monday 9th June at 6:15pm in Preesall and Knott End Youth and Community Centre

Present: Cllrs P Orme (chair), J Jenkinson, K Shepherd, S Dobbie

In attendance: Alan Whalley Clerk to the Council.

162 Election of Chair and Deputy Chair of the Finance Committee for the Civic Year

Cllr P Orme was elected as Chair and Cllr K Shepherd as Deputy Chair.

163 Apologies for absence

None Received

164 Declaration of interests and dispensations

Cllr P Orme declared his interest in the Youth and Community Centre

165 Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors **resolved** to approve as a correct record the minutes, as presented, of the meeting held on 14th April 2025.

166 Public participation

None.

167 Review of Terms of Reference for the Finance Committee

These were accepted.

It was agreed that the Chair of Finance will cover monetary support in the absence of the clerk.

It was resolved to review the Financial Regulations for payment limits at the next meeting.

168 Monthly payments and Receipts

Councillors **Resolved** to acknowledge and pay:

a) To note receipts to 31 st May 2025	
Mayors Charity from May Day	£191.50
Memorial Bench (Sands)	£611.94
Repayment from Lancashire CC	£4,771.20

b) To approve the following payments:		Bank	
Payroll	BACS 155, 156	Unity	2,619.83

Lengthsman's Travel expenses (on behalf of council) and Expenses	BACS 157	Unity	81.70
Wyre Building Supplies	BACS 158	Unity	58.18
HMRC	BACS 159	Unity	859.68
Nick White	BACS 160	Unity	900.00
Fordstone General Store – Mayor Making buffet	BACS 161	Unity	225.00
Smith of Derby – Millenium Clock repair	BACS 162	Unity	210.00
Towers and Gornall – payroll services	BACS 163	Unity	216.60
Michael Cuddy – Methodist Church survey	BACS 164	Unity	1,620.00
Preesall Youth and Community Centre	BACS 165	Unity	6,000.00
848 Services Ltd	BACS 166	Unity	11.52
Rialtas – termination period	BACS 167	Unity	121.80
848 Services Ltd	BACS 168	Unity	2.30

Note: the Methodist Survey costs have been approved by the Legacy Trustees

There are two payments to 848 Services Ltd as the initial figure of £11.52 was net of VAT.

Cllr Orme is to provide a breakdown of how the payment to the Youth and Community Centre is spent.

c) To note the following payments by standing order and direct debit		
Direct Debits		
Unity Bank service charge	Unity	6.00
3 (mobile phone contract) to	Unity	6.42
Easy Web Sites (hosting fee, SSL certificate)	Virgin	66.00
LCC (Pension contributions)	Virgin	485.67

d) The Bank Reconciliation to 30th April 2025 was approved and signed

169 To note the Bank closing balances as at 31st May 2025

Unity £97,202.58

Virgin £129,813.64 – as at 30th April 2025

Hampshire £51,295.76

** note £70,000 was transferred from Virgin Bank to the Unity Trust Bank in May. This is reflected in the bank balance for Unity Trust Bank but NOT in the bank balance for Virgin Bank.

170 Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2024/25 – for information and to make a recommendation to full council.

It was resolved to approve and to recommend acceptance to full council

171 To consider the signatories on the Unity, Virgin and Hampshire Bank mandates and resolve to update reflecting current committee members.

It was agreed that the signatories for Unity Trust Bank and Hampshire Trust Bank are up to date. It was resolved that the clerk look to update the mandate for Virgin Bank.

172 Date of next meeting – Monday 14th July at 6pm

Chairman Date