



PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the finance committee meeting held on Monday 13th April at 6pm in Preesall and Knott End Youth and Community Centre

Present: Cllr P Orme (chair), Cllr S Dobbie, Cllr R Kelly, Cllr K Shepard

In Attendance:) Debbie Smith (in-coming clerk)

1.1(2026 27) Apologies for absence

Nil

2.2(2026 27) Declaration of interests and dispensations

None

3.3(2026 27) Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors **resolved** to **approve** as a correct record the minutes as presented, of the meeting held on 9th March 2026

4.4(2026 27) Public participation

None Present

5.5(2026 27) Monthly Receipts and Payments

a) The councillors within the finance committee **resolved** to **note** the below receipts:

Receipt Name	Details	Date of receipt	Bank (Unity Virgin, Hampshire)	Amount
Wyre Borough Council	Precept	8 April	Unity	£103,259.00

b) The councillors within the finance committee **resolved** to **approve** the following payments:

Payment Name	Details	Cash Book BAC's/card Ref	Bank (Unity Virgin, Hampshire)	Amount
Payroll	March 2026 payroll paid in April 2026	BACS 1,2,3	Unity	£4,110.01
HMRC	Tax on salaries	BACS 4	Unity	£1,218.28
Paul Dooler	Lengths Man's Milage for March 2026	BACS 5	Unity	£13.50
Debbie Smith	Clerk's homeworking March 2026	BACS 6	Unity	£18.00
Debbie Smith	Reimbursement for card and flowers	BACS 7	Unity	£11.48
Debbie Smith	Reimbursement for file dividers	BACS 8	Unity	£22.99
* Nick White	(Plants Man)	BACS 9	Unity	£900.00

* £400 of this payment is being covered by the Legacy Trust Fund

848 Services Ltd	Microsoft Licences	BACS 10	Unity	£13.82
Wyre Building Supplies	Rocksalt/spray paint/2 x brushes	BACS 11	Unity	£84.36
Greens Environmental	Delivery and collection of porta loos	BACS 12	Unity	£180.00
Moorside Medals & Trophies	50 x personalised medals for May Day	BACS 13	Unity	£97.50
Wyre Borough	Licence for May Day Event	BACS 14	Unity	£60.00
Npower	Electric Supply for CCTV – Feb 26	BACS 15	Unity	£9.59

Glasdon	Grit Bin x 2	BACS 16	Unity	499.66
Npower	Electric Supply for CCTV – March 26 Councillors noted this invoice arrived after the agenda was published, and to avoid late payment was resolved at the meeting and appended to the minutes.	BACS 17	Unity	£11.43

c) The councillors within the finance committee **noted** the below payments that were authorised at March's full council meeting minute reference 669.4,682.17(2025 26) along with the final instalment for the shelter building work completed. These payments were made on 27.03.2026.

Payment Name	Details	Cash Book BAC's/card Ref	Bank (Unity Virgin, Hampshire)	Amount
Tony Horrocks Builders	Final instalment for shelter work	BACS 289	Unity	£5,000.00
Gordon Ellis & Co.	2 x self-watering pagodas	BACS 290	Unity	£1,512.00
Flying Colours Flag Makers	1x Fusiliers Flag	BACS 291	Unity	£56.46
Event Branding	Gazebo	BACS 292	Unity	£1,416.48

d) The finance committee **resolved** to **note** the following payments by direct debit:

Company Name	Details	Payment Date	Bank (Unity Virgin, Hampshire)	Amount
Easy Websites	Monthly hosting fee	01 April	Virgin	£66.00
LCC	(Pension contributions)	19 April	Virgin	£485.67
Unity Bank	Monthly Service Charge	30 April	Unity	£7.00
3 Mobile	Phone Contract – Please note there is a slight increase from £7.20 to £7.80 due to payment increases from 1 st April 26 by 3 Mobile.	01 May	Unity	£7.80

7.7(2026 27) Bank Reconciliation and Bank Closing Balances

a) The finance committee **reviewed** and **resolved** to **accept** the bank reconciliation to 28th February 2026. The total amount held within all the council's banks accounts is: £168,659.39. The finance committee **noted** the clerk had received the March 26 Virgin Bank statement. The finance committee **reviewed** and **resolved** to **accept** the bank reconciliation to 31st March 2026. The total amount held within all the council's banks accounts is: £146,041.52.

b) The finance committee **noted** the below Bank closing balances-

Bank Name	Date of Closing Balance	Amount of Closing Balance
Unity	31st March 2026	£36,619.48
Virgin	28 th February 2026	£59,178.33
Virgin	31 st March 2026	£58,008.99
Hampshire	31st March 2026	£51,347.06

8.8(2026 27) Hampshire Bank

The committee discussed changing to another savings account within Hampshire Bank at a to 4% interest restrictive 1-year period account to receive a higher annual rate of interest. The committee **resolved** to change the account, and for it to be put to full council for resolution.

9.9(2026 27) Opening Another Bank Account

The committee discussed opening another bank account, the clerk reported she had no response from Monzo Bank and Starling Bank did not have an account to suit the council's requirements. The committee resolved that after the bank mandates are updated, money could be transferred to allow the council to be FSCS protected with all accounts, and this would be reported to full council.

10.10(2026 27) Date of next meeting

11th May 2026 starting at 6.pm

Chairman Sign..... Date.....