



**MINUTES OF THE GROBY PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY, LEICESTER
ON 23rd FEBRUARY 2026 at 3.00pm.**

Present: Cllr C Lincoln, Cllr N Clarke, Cllr C Mullins and Cllr C York
Also present: Parish Clerk

FGP/075/25-26 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Emmerson and Cllr Hollick. **RESOLVED** to accept these apologies.

FGP/076/25-26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

FGP/077/25-26 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 2nd February 2026 be approved and signed as a true record.

FGP/078/25-26 CLERK'S REPORT

- i. **To note the buy-out of the telecommunications provider for the Parish Office and Cemetery phone and broadband packages, to receive an account review from the new provider and to consider alternative quotations received.**

A report detailing the account review that had taken place following the buy out of Council's current provider for phone and broadband was included in members' packs. Alternative quotations had also been obtained.

It was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to FULL COUNCIL** that Council accept the new proposal from Daisy Communications to provide phone and broadband packages for the Parish Office and Cemetery Office at a fixed cost of £123 per month for a 3-year contract term.

- ii. **Groby Parish Cemetery Schedule of Fees for 2026-27**

The Schedule of Fees for Groby Parish Cemetery for 2026-27 were discussed. Members were advised that a price rise was expected from 1st April 2026 for the cremation plot kerb sets and plaques which were purchased from a stonemason however the percentage increase was not yet known. This cost would need to be passed on through Council's Cemetery Fees.

It was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to FULL COUNCIL** that agreement of the revised Groby Parish Cemetery Schedule of Fees for 2025-26 be deferred until the April Council meeting, with the revised fees to take effect from 1st May 2026.

FCP/079/25-26 FINANCIAL REPORTS

- i. **To review the Income & Expenditure Report and EMR Report to 20th February 2026**

The Income & Expenditure Report and EMR Report to 20th February 2026 were included in members' packs. These were verified and **NOTED**.

- ii. **To review and verify the Bank Reconciliation for January 2026**

The bank reconciliation and bank statement to 31st January 2026 were included in members' packs. The bank reconciliation for January 2026 was **VERIFIED** and signed by 2 members.

FGP/080/25-26 YEAR-END PREPARATION

Budget virements and EMR movements for the year-ending 31st March 2026 were considered.

It was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to FULL COUNCIL** the following budget virements in order to balance budget lines that were overspent:

- (i) Move £176 budget from Line 4395 Contingencies to Line 4244 Motor Insurance
- (ii) Move £200 budget from Line 4420 General Maintenance to Line 4410 Equipment Fuel
- (iii) Move £600 budget from Line 4395 Contingencies to Line 4210 Travelling
- (iv) Move £300 budget from Line 4395 Contingencies to Line 4500 Cemetery Utilities

It was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to FULL COUNCIL** to make the following movements to Ear Marked Reserves prior to year-end:

- (i) Move £10,000 from Line 4200 Elections to a new EMR 348 Elections
- (ii) Move £1,500 from Line 4489 Paths to EMR 327 Footpath Improvements

FGP/081/25-26 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND INCOME

The Payment Schedule was included in members’ packs.

It was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to FULL COUNCIL** that the payment of accounts presented to the meeting be approved. Income was **NOTED**.

FGP/082/25-26 NEXT MEETING

The date and time of the next meeting to be held on Tuesday 7th April 2026. Time to be advised.

The meeting closed at 3.40 p.m.

Signed:

Date:.....

Chair