

HURST GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 18th November 2025 in Hurst Green Village Hall starting at 7.00pm.

Present:- Councillor Browne, Councillor French, Councillor Johnson-Cloves, Councillor Price and Councillor Ralph.

The Clerk and the RFO, Anita Maxwell were in attendance along with one member of the public.

1.0 Appointment of Chair – To appoint Chair of Finance committee

Councillor Browne, proposed Councillor Price for Chair and was seconded by Councillor French.

Unanimously supported.

Councillor Johnson-Cloves was invited to join the committee and accepted.

2.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: -

None..

3.0 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS, *in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct: to receive any disclosure by Members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.*

None received.

3.1 APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION – *to consider written requests from Members for Dispensation and to consider the length of time the dispensation should be granted for i.e. as a one-off relating to a matter on this agenda, or ongoing for a set period and relating to any agenda within that period.*

None received.

4.0 TO APPROVE UPDATED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Proposed by Councillor French and seconded by Councillor Johnson-Cloves.

5.0 PRECEPT

To look at funding and projected financial outlay in order to advise on the required precept for 2026/2027.

The RFO had provided a breakdown of Council expenditure to councillors prior to the meeting. After examination of the spreadsheets the Committee agreed to recommend to the full Council a precept figure of £75,623 for 2026/2027.

It was recognized that this figure could change depending on work needed outlined in the tree survey and if the full council wished to set aside money for any future legal costs and any additional expenditure not so far accounted for.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

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Signed Cllr. Susan Price, Chair of Finance Committee

Dated 27th January 2026