

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and Probity Committee of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th March 2026 at 7.02pm at Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Allan, Burgess, Koning, Russell (Chairman), Swambo and Tullett. Officers: C Hinton (Clerk)

1. **ATTENDANCE**

- a) **Resolved to receive** apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend. **All present.**
- b) **Resolved to approve for acceptance** those apologies received with reasons for absence. **All present.**

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Resolved to receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members.
Interests may be declared at any time during the meeting should they become apparent.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

- a) **Resolved to approve** as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2025.
- b) **To consider any questions** arising from those minutes. **There were none.**

4. **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

To receive and consider any questions from the Public, which may be answered but not debated. **None present.**

5. **PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**

Resolved to note no Clerk's Report required.

6. **ACCOUNTS**

- a) **Resolved to approve** the Accuracy of the Receipts and Payments entries to 28th February 2026.
- b) **Resolved to receive and note** Budget Monitoring Sheet 2025/2026.
- c) **Resolved to note** entries in Receipts and Payments spreadsheets have been checked by a Councillor prior to the meeting.
- d) **Resolved to note** the interest rate on the Monmouthshire Building Society Account reduced from 1.75% to 1.3% on 3rd February 2026. Clerk to explore possible fixed term rates for some of the Building Society balance, subject to easy access to necessary funds.

7. **QUARTERLY FINANCIAL CHECKS**

- a) **Resolved to note** quarterly checks to January 2026 were carried out by Cllr Russell on 19th February 2026.
- b) **Resolved to nominate** Councillor Allan to undertake Quarterly Financial Checks.

8. **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

None received.

9. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Resolved to note the date of the next meeting and future council and committee meetings:

- a) Finance and Probity Committee meeting – 3rd June 2026.
- b) Full Council meeting – 18th March 2026.

The meeting concluded at 19.14pm.