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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2026, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL HALL, FRESHWATER COMMENCING AT 7.07PM.

Present: Councillors Turan (Chair), Armstrong, Bamford, Betts, Cameron, Chaucer, Cox, Hinton, Hobbs, Jarman, Pakel, Seely, Whyte

Clerk: K Gibson

Minutes Secretary: M Gardiner

PUBLIC QUESTIONS Prior to the Council meeting commencing there will be a public forum of up to 15 minutes, if necessary, when there will be an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions of the Parish Council regarding matters on the agenda. **NONE**

1. **APOLOGIES:** Councillor Whistance

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS** To receive any declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary (personal) interests relating to items on the agenda.

Councillor Whyte declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 18 (Library) having worked with an applicant on a previous unrelated project.

3. **REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS** To receive and consider granting any written requests from Members for dispensations in respect of disclosable pecuniary interests. **NONE**

4. **WIGHTWOOD PIZZA** Joshua Stevens from Wightwood Pizza is attending to request permission to park the pizza van on the Boat Park whilst the building work is being carried out on the FILB station.

It was resolved that the Parish Council agree to the temporary re-siting of the pizza van onto Parish Land for the duration of the works at the Lifeboat station without cost, providing that the business continues its support of the Independent Lifeboat and abides by all boat park regulations (to be supplied by the Clerk) (CJ/BH) **AGREED**

5. **COMMUNITY ACTION IW PRESENTATION** Community Action IW will attend to present further information on the Housing Needs Survey that they can facilitate on our behalf. **DEFERRED**

6. **MINUTES** To agree the minutes of the Freshwater Parish Council meeting held on 2nd December 2025 (PAPER A). (CP/TA) **AGREED**

7. **WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT** To receive a written update from Ward Councillors. Councillor Cameron (PAPER B) Councillor Jarman (circulated by email to Councillors) Councillor Spink (circulated by email to Councillors)

8. OFFICER REPORTS To receive a written update from the Clerk (**PAPER C**).

Clerk's Report January & February 2026

Stroud Play Equipment – Zip Wire

After a recent inspection of the play equipment on Stroud Playing Field it was reported that the Zip Wire play equipment needed some minor repairs. The repairs will include dropping the cable, refitting, lubricating and re-tensioning, along with replacing a tyre and internal brake. This will be carried out on the 5th February 2026 by Sovereign Group at a cost of £964.24. The equipment is safe to continue using until the repair takes place. All other play and exercise equipment was reported as low risk. If any of the Councillors would like a copy of the report, please let me know.

Housing Needs Survey

I have contacted Community Action IW for information on carrying out a housing needs survey, as per the agenda item on the September 2025 full council meeting. Community Action IW have carried out several of these surveys across the island, including Yarmouth last year. Their website has more information on what they do as well as copies of the recent reports.

Rural Housing Enabler - Community Action | at the Riverside | Isle of Wight

They are keen to work with us on this and will be attending the full council meeting in February to present more information on the work they carry out and what that entails.

Erosion at The Scrape – Yarmouth to Freshwater Cycle Track

Yarmouth Town Council contacted the office to request assistance in gaining assistance from the local authority to repair the footpath where the erosion occurred. Even though this area of the track is not part of the parish land the office has been liaising with the IOW council departments to speed up the investigation into repairing the area. The current update is that the council are looking at fitting a culvert to the area and rebuilding the path over the top of this. They are trying to obtain permission from the new owner of the Barnfield Pond (wetlands the water flows into) to carry out this work. The office will update the Councillors when any more information is available.

Council Meeting Schedule 2026-27

The office has had an enquiry from a Councillor on the Parish Council meeting schedule. As requested the schedule for 2025-26 was distributed to the Councillors in March/April 2025 confirming meeting dates up to the end of April 2026. The schedule for 2026-27 will therefore be distributed in March 2026 for the period May 2026 to April 2027. Any Councillors who wish to be sent a reminder of the meeting schedule please let me know.

Councillor Recording Meetings

Just to remind all Public and Councillors that if they wish to record the meeting that they bring it to the attention of the Chair at the start of the meeting.

9. CHAIRS REPORT To receive a report from the Chair, Cllr Frances Turan (**PAPER D**).

I sincerely hope that you all had a truly festive Christmas with family and friends. And of course, very best wishes for a happy and productive new year.

Councillor Armstrong and I started the month by putting up the parish Christmas tree in All Saints Church on 2nd December. In preparation for the late-night shopping event, councillor Cameron, and I spent much of the week sourcing children's books as free gifts in the skatepark pop up shop. These we wrapped in various papers to different reading ages.

Councillor Betts kindly supplied various toys and novelties for the lucky dip which was also free to all. She also donated customised mugs for sale as a fund raiser. Getting into the swing of things, she also wore her brightest smile and her skateboard teeshirt.

Councillor Pakel took charge and brought everything together to create a welcoming space. She also supplied some interesting games to amuse the children, also free of charge. Win or not everyone received a prize (no tears on our watch).

Mel and Kirsty completed our team bearing gifts of Woolley hats for sale to raise funds. Adrian was also drafted in to transport everything to and from the council offices.

Together we worked hard, laughed a lot, and went home with smiles on our faces, result.

There now appears to be quite a thirst for further events among the residents and businesses. Perhaps it's time to harness this enthusiasm and bring the community at large together. Encourage them to exchange ideas, offer their skills, and form a local events committee that would breathe new life into Freshwater.

I experienced the Brighstone tree festival for the first time this year along with Becca and her friend. I was surprised at the number and variety of venues. It was quite a route march to cover the whole event. I have no clue how anybody could begin to judge the best tree in each section as the artistry and effort involved was amazing.

Next little gem was the pantomime at the Memorial Hall. It was well worth seeing, with some truly comical characters. The atmosphere was brilliant, everybody joined in with gusto and the children in the chorus were full of enthusiasm, it was a joy to see. I'm certainly going back next year.

I did manage to have a truly wonderful Christmas with my family, but the day after Boxing Day I unfortunately succumbed to a nasty virus. I know that I am not the only one here to have suffered from this illness. Several staff and councillors alike have also fallen victim. I am very fortunate to have lovely friends and neighbours, and I thank them all for their many acts of kindness. Councillor Armstrong saved the day and took the parish tree down in time for the deadline, roll on next Christmas hey Tony.

I would like to thank Tara for her diligence in presenting a clear and concise assessment of the council's finances going forward. It is reassuring to have a built-in contingency for the unexpected. The proposal to maximise the interest on capital is a positive move in protecting the interests of the residents.

My heart goes out to all residents currently suffering the effects of flooding. We must remain vigilant and report any issues that need addressing to the relevant authority.

10. CORRESPONDENCE – Four items of correspondence.

11. TO APPROVE THE AMENDED PERSONNEL COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE To approve the amendments as highlighted on the attached. (PAPER E)

It was proposed to accept the amended personnel committee terms of reference (BH/CP) **AGREED**

- 12. UPDATE FROM THE CHRISTMAS WORKING PARTY.** – Councillors Cameron and Jarman gave a verbal update.
- 13. UPDATE FROM THE SKATE PARK WORKING PARTY.** – Councillors Pakel & Betts gave a verbal update.
- 14. WILDFLOWER PROJECT UPDATE** Deferred from the Land Management Committee Meeting Further information the attached email from Councillor Pakel and Pete Johnstone (PAPER F).

The Clerk will contact the contractors to ensure that there are no issues with continuing with the wildflower project.

- 15. GABIONS AT SPINFISH** To discuss and agree the repairs required to the Gabions at Spinfish (PAPER G).

It was resolved that the Clerk contact Brighstone Landscaping, as the original engineers and ask for an immediate response/resolution and allow until the end of this week (w/e 06/02/26) for a response.

It was proposed to agree the emergency works (Section A) as an immediate need. (subject to an unsatisfactory response from Brighstone Landscaping). (EC/CP) **AGREED**

- 16. FINANCE**
- i. To review and approve the payments list (PAPER H) (EC/CP) AGREED**
 - ii. To approve the bank reconciliations for the periods ending 31st October 2025 & 30th November 2025 as recommended by the Finance Committee (PAPER I) – (EC/AB) AGREED**
 - iii. To approve the fixed asset register as at 30th September 2025 as recommended by the Finance Committee (PAPER J) – (CJ/EC) AGREED**
 - iv. To note the approved minutes from the Finance Committee meeting held on 21st October 2025 and 4th November 2025 (PAPER K & K1) NOTED**

17. GRANTS To review the application from The Story Spot Bookshop to pledge mental health book bundles to local schools and nurseries in Freshwater. This would link in with Children's Mental Health Week which runs 9th – 15th February. It is the officer recommendation that the council pledge 10 x each bundle type, which totals £1,288.50 which is within the remaining budget for the year. (PAPER L) **(Councillor Hinton left the room at 20.49 and returned at 20.51).**

It was proposed that the Parish Council do not support the application at this time – (WW/EC) **AGREED**

That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

18. FRESHWATER LIBRARY ROOF REPAIR TENDER To review and agree the proposal for the roof repair. Officers Report (PAPER M)

It was proposed to accept the recommendation of the finance committee and officer recommendation (option B) using WH Brading & Son and Daniel Stimpson as project manager. (EC/CP) **AGREED**

19. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

High Street Regeneration – to invite the IWC representative for regeneration to discuss.

Meeting closed at 21.13

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Pete Johnstone <pete.mjohnstone@outlook.com>

Date: On Wednesday, 19 November 2025 at 15:53

Subject: Re: The Wildflowers of Freshwater

To: Caroline Päkel <caroline.pakel@protonmail.com>

CC: Frances.turan@freshwater-parish.org.uk <Frances.turan@freshwater-parish.org.uk>, Daniel James <daniel.james@freshwater-parish.org.uk>

Hello Caroline,

Many thanks for coming over to view my mini wildflower strip and for taking the idea to asset land management committee.

To answer your questions on my wildflower strip outside my house on Norton Green land:

Yes Norton Green is in a conservation area. However, as far as I am aware the area does not have an agreed Conservation Plan.

I thought the green area in Norton Green was owned by the Parish Council - hence my email to you, but I cannot confirm ownership - no doubt the FPC Asset Register can have confirm the land ownership.

My immediate neighbours are happy with the wildflower strip: in fact, the house next door wants to follow with their own wildflower strip outside their boundary but are waiting for your approval of mine before they start. If like me they were given permission to have a wildflower strip, then they would manage it, as I do mine. The problem occurs when it is mown out the mowing gang - who have not been told not to cut it. As for the rest of the Green, I can ask via a WhatsApp Poll if you would like me to and that would be of help in gaining permission.

I look forward to your reply on permission to continue growing wildflowers with some mechanism to restrict the contractors mowing them off.

Your other questions

As mentioned, when the committee came to the house, wildflower sowing and management can be difficult, first to get it established and then on the management. If not looked after, in public places it can look unkempt and can collect litter (...and then public complaints about it looking untidy). However, with care and ongoing management it can look lovely and attract wildlife. An example of how it can work is shown by the work of the Afton Garden Centre in Freshwater where they established a wildflower meadow on a grass field, they owned next to the cafe. However, even with their horticultural expertise, they have struggled to keep the meadow floristically rich. Link open to my West Wight People and Place [story](#)

Re the School - I don't know the land you are thinking of but I am not sure if the school is the right place to run a wildflower project unless you have the management in place to run it.

I had a quick look at the small section of mown grass opposite the Vine. The site is on a steep slope next to the road - and there is road infrastructure on the patch of grass. There may also be underground pipes. In my opinion it would not be suitable for tall meadow plants but might just be suitable for native Primrose plants, subject to all utility permissions. The aim being to have a bank of (native) yellow primroses which would come out in early spring and could look lovely. You may well need signage to stop people going on the steep bank. Probably best to plant plugs grown from a specialist nursery. The cost of the plants would be around £100.

Here is a [link](#) to one reputable supplier.

There may be larger areas on FPC land such as Grannies mead that may be more suitable for large scale wildflower planting. I discussed this idea with Cllr Carol Bray some 6 years ago.

Happy to advise but keen to pursue and complete my Norton Green wildflower project which I have been working on for the last 4 years or so, rather than start another project.

I look forward to hearing from you,

With best wishes

Pete

PS. We have talked about trees - I am sure you are aware of this majestic one near Stroud Coppice, probably one of the oldest living trees in Freshwater, The tree is a Field Maple, it has been coppiced many, many times over the centuries, and its base is over a metre wide. I am guessing that it once formed part on the ancient earth bank that you can still see on the boundary of Stroud Coppice.



Pete Johnstone CEnv MCIEEM (Rtd)

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Owner

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View West Wight People and Place [here](#)

View my Outdoor Elements photo blog [here](#)

PJ.elements provides project development and fundraising support to community and environmental organisations.

From: Caroline PÄkel <caroline.pakel@protonmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2025 9:39 PM
To: Pete Johnstone <pete.mjohnstone@outlook.com>
Cc: Frances.turan@freshwater-parish.org.uk <Frances.turan@freshwater-parish.org.uk>; Daniel James <daniel.james@freshwater-parish.org.uk>
Subject: Re: Wildflower Freshwater

Hi Pete,

I shared your proposal with the land asset management committee tonight and a couple of concerns were expressed with regards to your own plot:

- is the land in front of your house owned by the council and is it in a conservation area?
- FPC takes care of land that does not necessarily belong to us and wildflower seeding may be restricted according to how the land is labelled. Do you have information about that? I will try to get some via the clerk otherwise.
- producing plaques implies council responsibility which the committee felt would need to be checked - as above.
- also do your neighbours agree with and support your experiment? I have been told that the neighbourhood there can be demanding.

Happy to chat live when you have time.

It was felt that the idea was otherwise excellent and could be encouraged in a couple of other places we own as PC. One could involve local school children as the headmistress is very keen to get the school involved in such projects - so near the school. And another right in the centre opposite the Vine pub.

Would you be willing to get involved with the other two patches?

I presented it as a 3 plot prototype that could be expanded according to flower success and community engagement. This would require support and knowledge sharing. So hoping you might be able and happy to get involved.

Warmly,

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Freshwater Parish Council
Working For The Community

OFFICER REPORT

Committee:	FULL COUNCIL
Date:	3 RD FEBRUARY 2026 (Date of meeting)
Report Author:	DEPUTY CLERK & CLERK
Report Title:	GABIONS AT SPINFISH

1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The gabions that are located in the stream near to Sheepwash at Spinfish are pulling away from the bank and the water is now getting behind and eroding the bank. If no action is taken the erosion is in danger of reaching the footpath and making the area unsafe for pedestrians.

2. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This project is not included in the current budget and would need to be taken from general reserves and the Land Management General budget line, planned for £20,000 for 2026/27.

3. OPTIONS

The area was inspected by the office with K. Coghlan Ltd along with the Philip Pikes Contracting Solutions on 12th January 2026. This company recently carried out the successful Culvert works and the Gabion works at Sheepwash Farm, that are working successfully. There are two areas that now need to be replaced.

Section A – 11 meters by the footbridge that has recently failed and where the bank is eroded almost to the path. – Cost £20,446.42 plus VAT.

Section B – Two lengths, with a gap that is failing totalling 15 meters. – Cost £28,287.69 plus VAT.

Total cost for both sections = £48,734.11 plus VAT.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

At a minimum the Section A will need to be replaced and repaired at a cost of £20,446.42 plus VAT. Without doing this the footpath will become dangerous and will need to be closed. The Section B was identified when staff met on the 12th January 2026 and the gabions are detaching from the bank. These areas were also identified two years ago that would require replacing and at that time the cost would have been £39,000 plus VAT for both areas. The delay in replacing these gabions has resulted in an increase of nearly £10,000.

The office would recommend that we replace both sections using K. Coghlan and project managed by Philip Pike Contracting Solutions. Previously the office has been unable to obtain any additional quotes from other contractors. The policy is to try to obtain 3 quotations for the work but this will delay the works. We have previously requested quotation from Crown Parks, Dempseys and they refused to quote. The only alternate quotation we could obtain was from Brightstone Landscaping and they are the company that fitted the current faulty gabions.

Initially the office recommends Section A work is instructed immediately to

ensure the footpath is protected and remains open to the public. This can be actioned without requesting additional quotes under the current financial regulations.

- 5.3. Every contract shall comply with the Council's Standing Orders and these Financial Regulations and no exceptions shall be made, except in an emergency.
- 5.17. No expenditure may be authorised that will exceed the budget for that type of expenditure other than by resolution of the Council (or a duly delegated committee acting within its Terms of Reference) except in an emergency.

5. APPENDICES

K. Coghlan Ltd Quotation

Freshwater Parish Council

Barclays Business Account, Period Ending 31/12/2025

Cheques and payments cleared

Date	Account	Payee	Description	Total
05/12/2025	Bank charges	Barclays	CHARGES COMMISSION FOR PERIOD 13OCT/12NOV *****	£8.50
19/12/2025	Bookkeeping	Intuit UK Ltd	QuickBooks Online Plus 04-Dec-25 - 04-Jan-26	£56.40
03/12/2025	Christmas	Thompsons Plants	15/20ft Norway Spruce x 3 + delivery	£1,020.00
			400 Multi Coloured Multi Action Battery Powered	
11/12/2025	Christmas	Direct Global Trading	LED Lights with Timer	£639.68
12/12/2025	Christmas	Amazon Business	Cylinder Tin Charity Donation Coin Collection Tube	£27.68
			Festive Lights – Erection and subsequent removal of 6 no	
17/12/2025	Christmas	Island Roads	festive decs on existing street lighting columns	£1,098.44
03/12/2025	Christmas	Mark Adams Maintenance Services	Freshwater Parish - Christmas trees, lights & decorations etc. Dec. 2025	£1,820.00
03/12/2025	Committed Contracts	ERMC	Grounds maintenance for November 2025 - Large tractor works	£2,800.61
03/12/2025	Committed Contracts	ERMC	Grounds maintenance for November 2025 - Manorial works	£1,581.89
31/12/2025	Communications	Wight Fibre	Broadband Package charges cover the period 01 Dec - 31 Dec	£58.80
01/12/2025	Communications	Wight Fibre	Broadband Package charges cover the period 01 Nov - 30 Nov	£58.80
31/12/2025	Communications	Wight Fibre	Call Package charges cover the period 01 Dec - 31 Dec	£36.00
01/12/2025	Communications	Wight Fibre	Telephone Package charges cover the period 01 Nov - 30 Nov	£36.00
22/12/2025	Employer Pension Contributions	Nest	Employer Pension Contributions Nest December 2025	£321.34
17/12/2025	Gate Lane Toilets	Yorkshire Gas and Power	Electricity Invoice 06/11/25 to 06/12/25	£71.25
03/12/2025	Gate Lane Toilets	Mark Adams Maintenance Services	Gate Ln. Ladies. Wallgate hand dryer blocked. Strip down waste, clean & re-assemble.	£30.00
12/12/2025	Gate Lane Toilets	Business Stream Gate Lane	Water services invoice 31 August - 29 November 2025	£543.88
15/12/2025	IT Software & Support	Adobe	Adobe IRELAND ON 13 DEC BDC	£19.97
17/12/2025	Lengthsman	Mark Adams Maintenance Services	Freshwater Parish Lengthsman - December 2025	£1,155.00
11/12/2025	Library	Yorkshire Gas and Power	Electricity Invoice 31/10/25 - 30/11/25	£160.06
03/12/2025	Library	Lifeline	Fire panel reset and demo supplied on how to do a weekly test.	£91.20
02/12/2025	Library	Yorkshire Gas and Power	Gas Invoice 31/10/25 - 30/11/25	£29.01
01/12/2025	Library	IW Council	IWC - CT & NNDR 70343822 DDR Council Tax	£661.00
03/12/2025	Library	High Glass	November window cleaning	£50.40
			Roof works Freshwater Library Freshwater Isle of Wight	
			Interim Invoice No.2 Services - Project Management Tender issue pre construction phase.	
01/12/2025	Library	Daniel Stimson Surveying Ltd	Project Ref: 2025FWL	£900.00

12/12/2025	Moa Place Toilets	Yorkshire Gas and Power	Electricity Invoice 01/11/25 - 01/12/25	£56.25
12/12/2025	Moa Place Toilets	Business Stream Moa Place	Water services invoice 29 August - 28 November 2025	£217.30
03/12/2025	Moa Place Toilets	Mark Adams Maintenance Services	X2 Outside Lights Bulb replacement	£65.00
12/12/2025	Office Costs	Amazon Business	23.8 Inch Monitor	£79.94
11/12/2025	Office Costs	Amazon Business	Adjustable Monitor Stand	£14.43
03/12/2025	Office Costs	Amazon Business	Durable Table Place Name Holder 61 x 210mm Transparent - Pack of 25 - Perfect for Meetings, Conferences, Events, etc & shipping	£50.88
11/12/2025	Office Costs	Amazon Business	Google Pixel 7A Case	£20.17
16/12/2025	Office Costs	HM Land Registry	HM LAND REGISTRY 9658453 FIRST DDR PAYMENT DDR	£14.00
11/12/2025	Office Costs		SP JENNA-MYLES CANADA ON 10 DEC BDC	£27.90
11/12/2025	Office Equipment	Giff Gaff	GG8GA03694GAU / Google Pixel 7a Refurbished Like New 128GB charcoal mobile phone	£199.00
11/12/2025	Office Equipment	Giff Gaff	GG8GA03694GAU / Google Pixel 7a Refurbished Like New 128GB charcoal mobile phone	£199.00
03/12/2025	Office Rent	Memorial Hall - Supplier	Rent of Parish Office October 2025	£1,030.42
22/12/2025	Old Fire Station	Biffa Waste Service Ltd	Bin Rental between 25/10/2025 - 21/11/2025	£8.74
02/12/2025	Old Fire Station	Yorkshire Gas and Power	Electricity Invoice 31/10/25 - 30/11/25	£99.27
01/12/2025	Old Fire Station	IW Council	IWC - CT & NNDR 70384649 DDR	£92.00
17/12/2025	PAYE/NI	HM Revenue & Customs	HMRC PAYE/NIC SHIP 581PC00187328 BBP	£3,514.64
03/12/2025	Public Toilets	Clean Wight Cleaning - Robin Attrill	Toilet cleaning contract for November 2025	£2,475.19
22/12/2025	Staff Salaries	Nest	Pension Contributions Nest December 2025	£428.45
17/12/2025	Staff Salaries	Staff	Wages	£9,504.59
11/12/2025	Subscriptions	SLCC	Powers and Duties (16th March 2026) - Kirsty Gibson - Event Fee	£69.30
11/12/2025	Subscriptions	SLCC	Reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework in England: What Clerks Need to Know (11th February 2026) - Kirsty Gibson - Event Fee	£46.20
03/12/2025	Tools & Equipment	W Hurst & Son (IW) Ltd	Ear plugs and gloves	£10.25
Total				£31,498.83

d other credits cleared (11)

Date	Type	Ref no.	Payee	Amount (GBP)
03/12/2025	Transfer	Payments Dec Transfer	PAYMENTS DEC 25	£1,820.00
03/12/2025	Transfer	Payments Dec Transfer	PAYMENTS DEC 25	£10,000.00
11/12/2025	Deposit	Skatepark Donations	GoFundMe	£24.02
12/12/2025	Deposit	Refund Office Costs	SP JENNA-MYLES CANADA	£27.90
17/12/2025	Transfer	Direct Debits Transfer	D DEBTS DEC 25	£5,000.00
17/12/2025	Transfer	Wages Transfer	WAGES DEC 25	£10,000.00

17/12/2025	Transfer	Wages Transfer	WAGES DEC 25	£659.59
17/12/2025	Transfer	Xmas Lights Transfer	XMAS STREET LIGHT	£1,098.44
17/12/2025	Transfer	HMRC Transfer	HMRC DEC 25	£3,514.64
19/12/2025	Deposit	Skatepark Donations	GoFundMe	£70.63
29/12/2025	Deposit	Skatepark Donations	GoFundMe	£55.82
Total				£32,271.04

Freshwater Parish Council Bank reconciliation - Template

Name of smaller authority: **Freshwater Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **IW Council**

Financial year ending 31 March 2026

Prepared by (Name and Role): **Paul Blackley - Finance Officer**

Date: **10/12/2025**

	£	£
Balance per bank statements as at 31/10/2025:		
Barclays Business Premium ME	630,992.6	
Barclays Business Account	24,795.2	
		655,787.7
Petty cash float (if applicable) as at 10/10/2025		1,464.5
Less: any un-presented cheques as at 10/10/2025 (enter these as negative numbers)		
item 1		
item 2		
		-
Add: any un-banked cash as at XX/XX/XXX		
Net balances as at 31/10/2025		657,252.3



Transactions

Barclays Business Account

20-60-55 73098680

Available balance	£23,904.65
Last night's balance	£24,033.65
Overdraft limit	£0.00

Showing **56** transactions between **01/10/2025** and **31/10/2025** from 01/10/2025 to 31/10/2025

Pending debit card transactions

Date	Transaction	Amount
03/11/2025	SP IVARIO LAB UK +448000318190 DE	-£129.00
Card Number	**** * 5016	

Date	Description	Money in	Money out	Balance
31/10 /2025	Direct Debit WIGHTFIBRE CB6W4S7 DDR		-£58.80	£24,795.15
31/10 /2025	Direct Debit WIGHTFIBRE BXSPXQ7 DDR		-£36.00	£24,853.95
30/10 /2025	Debit SIGN-HOLDERS BY GR ON 29 OCT BDC		-£17.58	£24,889.95
27/10 /2025	Direct Debit BIFFA WASTE SERVIC F34184 DDR		-£59.27	£24,907.53
24/10 /2025	Counter Credit HMRC VTR XPV126000100864 BGC	£23,919.62		£24,966.80
23/10 /2025	Bill Payment HMRC PAYE/NIC SHIP 581PC00187328 BBP		-£3,330.40	£1,047.18



Transactions

Business Premium ME

20-60-55 73034313

Available balance	£630,992.57
Last night's balance	£630,992.57
Overdraft limit	n/a

Showing 8 transactions between 01/10/2025 and 17/10/2025 from 01/10/2025 to 31/10/2025

Date	Description	Money in	Money out	Balance
17/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 HMRC OCT 25 FT		-£3,330.40	£630,992.57
17/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 WAGES OCTOBER 2025 FT		-£309.27	£634,322.97
17/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 WAGES OCTOBER 2025 FT		-£10,000.00	£634,632.24
13/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 DDEBITS OCT 25 FT		-£5,000.00	£644,632.24
08/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 PAYMENTS OCT 25 FT		-£7,520.40	£649,632.24
08/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 PAYMENTS OCT 25 FT		-£10,000.00	£657,152.64
08/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 MHALL 2ND P CEPTS FT		-£6,000.00	£667,152.64
01/10/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 EXDD PMENT SEPT 25 FT		-£2,000.00	£673,152.64

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Freshwater Parish Council Bank reconciliation - Template

Name of smaller authority: **Freshwater Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **IW Council**

Financial year ending 31 March 2026

Prepared by (Name and Role): **Paul Blackley - Finance Officer**

Date: **10/12/2025**

	£	£
Balance per bank statements as at 30/11/2025:		
Barclays Business Premium ME	603,704.8	
Barclays Business Account	4,231.4	
		607,936.2
Petty cash float (if applicable) as at 10/10/2025		1,464.5
Less: any un-presented cheques as at 10/10/2025 (enter these as negative numbers)		
item 1		
item 2		
Add: any un-banked cash as at XX/XX/XXX		
Net balances as at 30/11/2025		609,400.7



Transactions

Barclays Business Account

20-60-55 73098680

Available balance	£2,483.63
Last night's balance	£2,483.63
Overdraft limit	£0.00

Showing 51 transactions between 03/11/2025 and 28/11/2025 from 01/11/2025 to 30/11/2025

Date	Description	Money in	Money out	Balance
28/11 /2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73034313 NOVEMBER DD TOP UP FT	£2,000.00		£4,231.43
28/11 /2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73034313 LIBRARY ROOF FT	£900.00		£2,231.43
27/11 /2025	Bill Payment BISHOPS FIN MAN INSURANCE REFUND BBP	£37.44		£1,331.43
27/11 /2025	Direct Debit NEST IT000004781696 DDR		-£749.79	£1,293.99
26/11 /2025	Bill Payment BACK + FORTH SCREE INV-1311 BBP		-£349.66	£2,043.78
24/11 /2025	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	£2,393.44
24/11 /2025	Bill Payment HMRC PAYE/NIC SHIP 581PC00187328 BBP		-£3,598.32	£2,833.11
24/11 /2025	Bill Payment MARK ADAMS INV-10607 BBP		-£1,102.50	£6,431.43
24/11	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	£7,533.93



Transactions

Business Premium ME

20-60-55 73034313

Available balance	£603,704.76
Last night's balance	£603,704.76
Overdraft limit	n/a

Showing 6 transactions between 05/11/2025 and 28/11/2025 from 01/11/2025 to 30/11/2025

Date	Description	Money in	Money out	Balance
28/11/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 NOVEMBER DD TOP UP FT		-£2,000.00	£603,704.76
28/11/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 LIBRARY ROOF FT		-£900.00	£605,704.76
24/11/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 HMRC FT		-£3,598.32	£606,604.76
24/11/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 WAGES NOV 25 FT		-£789.49	£610,203.08
24/11/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 WAGES NOV 25 FT		-£10,000.00	£610,992.57
05/11/2025	Funds Transfer 206055 73098680 MUGA LIGHTS FT		-£10,000.00	£620,992.57

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Register of Assets held by Freshwater Parish Council

Value exceeding £500

As of 30/09/2025



Freshwater Parish Council
Working For The Community

Reference Number (if applicable)	Description	Supplier	Date Aquired (mm/yy)	Purchase Cost	Value for Asset Register*	Insurance Value	Location	Disposal	Lifespan of asset (years)
Fujitsu PC	Deputy Clerk		Jan-10	£600.00	£950.00	£950.00	FPC Office		
	Skatepark CCTV		Jun-10	£500.00	£700.00	£700.00	Stroud		20
	Parish Noticeboard purchased 2011		Jan-11	£700.00	£1,200.00	£1,200.00	Memorial Hall		20
	Granny's Meade Information Board		Jun-13	£450.00	£750.00	£750.00			20
	Board Room Desks		Jun-17	£1,090.00	£2,800.00	£2,800.00	Memorial Hall		25
	Interactive board		Sep-17	£2,889.00	£3,900.00	£3,900.00	Memorial Hall		10
LAPTOP-3FP294Q2	HP 250 G7 Notebook PC	Laptops Direct	Mar-20	£719.95	£950.00	£950.00	FPC Office		5
----- HP Laptop -----	HP 250 G7 Notebook PC	Laptops Direct	Mar-20	£719.95	£950.00	£950.00	Clerk		5
----- HP Laptop -----	HP 250 G7 Notebook PC	Laptops Direct	Aug-20	£569.97	£950.00	£950.00	Assistant Clerk		5
----- HP Laptop -----	HP 250 G7 Notebook PC	Laptops Direct	Sep-20	£559.97	£950.00	£950.00	RFO		5
MCMV650H	Lawn and Litter Vacuum	Mike Garwood Ltd	Sep-20	£1,675.00	£1,940.00	£1,940.00			10
FPC-PC002	Esprimo d538	PC Consultants	Nov-20	£602.18	£950.00	£950.00	FPC Office		5
	3 x 1800 Rectangular Desks	Business Supplies Group	Jan-21	£545.70	£588.00	£588.00	Memorial Hall		10
	Under Desk Draw x 3	Business Supplies Group	Jan-21	£680.76	£777.00	£777.00	Memorial Hall		10
	13 x Buoys and attachments	Hydrosphere UK Ltd	Jun-21	£12,824.79	£12,824.79	£12,824.79	Freshwater Bay		10
	A/C for main office supply & installation	South Coast Cooling Ltd	Dec-21	£2,450.00	£3,100.00	£3,100.00	Memorial Hall		8
	7 x Greendine Benches - GD6B	Woodberry	Jan-22	£4,018.00	£6,895.00	£6,895.00	Freshwater Bay		15
	iPad Air 10.9inch 64GB Green 2020	Expenses	Mar-22	£581.95	£595.00	£595.00	Memorial Hall		5
HP Laptop	14s-fq2xxx	Amazon Business	Apr-23	£556.48	£950.00	£950.00	Just Ask		5
	Defibrillator Memorial Hall.	Totland Parish Council	Jan-25	£695.00	£695.00	£695.00	Memorial Hall		5
Play Equipment	Log Roll Walk	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£1,441.29	£1,441.29	£1,441.29	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Drop Rope Traverse	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£1,058.18	£1,058.18	£1,058.18	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Swing Board	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£728.03	£728.03	£728.03	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Traversing Forest	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£1,632.60	£1,632.60	£1,632.60	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Inclined Balance Weaver	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£1,160.09	£1,160.09	£1,160.09	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Burmah Bridge	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£1,585.64	£1,585.64	£1,585.64	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Log Walk (12)	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£1,082.98	£1,082.98	£1,082.98	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Stepping Stones	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£585.22	£585.22	£585.22	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Basket Swing Seat	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£1,163.91	£1,163.91	£1,163.91	Stroud		10
Play Equipment	Timber See Saw	Sovereign Design Play Systems	Apr-25	£3,149.09	£3,149.09	£3,149.09	Stroud		10
NISSAN e-NV200 Acenta	NISSAN e-NV200 Acenta - LL22AOR	Dean James Ltd	Jun-25	£9,100.00	£9,100.00	£9,100.00			8
	Glasdon Jubilee Duo 220 - Litter Bin		Jul-25	£1,389.96	£1,389.96	£1,389.96			
	Glasdon Jubilee Duo 110 - Litter Bin		Jul-25	£839.96	£839.96	£839.96			
	Chain of Office Parish Office purchased 2006		2006	£573.00	£575.87	£575.87	Memorial Hall		25
	6 x Wallgate units	Ventnor Council	2023	£25,572.00	£25,572.00	£25,572.00	Public Toilets		10
	Elkay wallmounted water refill station	Culligan	Sep-25	£2,071.70	£2,071.70	£2,071.70	Public Toilets		5
	Total Equipment				£94,479.61	£96,551.31			

Properties/Land	Description		Date Aquired (mm/yy)	Purchase Cost	Value for Asset Register**	Insurance Value	Location	Disposal	Lifespan of asset
	Two-thirds ownership Memorial Hall, Freshwater		2011		£300,000.00	£1,278,190.79			N/A
	Stone Pound, Pound Green, Freshwater				£0.00	£0.00			N/A
	Old Fire Station, Queens Road, Freshwater				£15,000.00	£135,293.25			N/A
	Moa Place, Brookside, School Green, Queens Rd, Pound Green				£0.00	£0.00			N/A
	Toddler Play Area, Stroud Recreation Ground				£0.00	£0.00			N/A
	Granny's Meade				£30,000.00	£30,000.00			N/A
	Allotments		Jul-12		£10,000.00	£10,000.00			N/A
	Stroud Coppice		May-18		£5,000.00	£5,000.00			N/A
	Jubilee Field				£0.00	£0.00			N/A
	Land at Selwood Road				£0.00	£0.00			N/A
	Toilets at Moa Place				£100,000.00	£197,799.99			N/A
	Toilets at Gate Lane				£150,000.00	£200,843.11			N/A
	Freshwater Library		Nov-16		£0.00	£563,306.45			N/A
	Stroud Playing Fields		Jan-17		£0.00	£0.00			N/A
	Skate Park and Multi Use Games area		Jan-17		£0.00	£0.00			N/A
	Total Property				£610,000.00	£2,420,433.59			
	Total Asset Register Value				£704,479.61	£2,516,984.90			

* this is the most recent replacement cost/valuation figure