SOUTH PETHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **Meeting** of the **Finance and General Purposes Committee** held at the William Blake Memorial Hall, South Petherton on **Monday 7th September 2026** at 6.30pm when the following business was conducted:

PRESENT: Cllrs R Killen (Chairman), S Carp, S Gold, T New, the Clerk. 3 members of the public were present.

Public Question Time

There were no questions from the public present at the meeting.

FGP9.1 To receive and agree apologies for non-attendance.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Cllr Wakely, Cllr Jones and Cllr Carp gave Cllr Dance apologies

FGP9.2 To receive any declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

FGP9.3 To receive and confirm the minutes of South Petherton's Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 1st June 2026

The members confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting which the Chairman signed as an accurate record of the meeting. Proposed and seconded 4-0-0

FGP9.4 Matters for report purposes only.

(a) Confirm addition to Asset Register of cricket equipment/scoreboard and storage
Noted and confirmed. Proposed and seconded 4-0-0

(b) Note June and July all banks reconciliation
Noted and agreed

(c) Note June and July income reports
Noted and agreed

FGP9.5 Items for debate and decision.

a) Consider first draft of budget and make any suggestions to allocations
It was agreed to add £5000 to projects for outdoor table tennis and £10,000 for outdoor exercise equipment. Proposed and seconded. 4-0-0

b) Confirm Asset Register and physical presence of items
Agreed. Proposed and seconded. 4-0-0

c) Discuss ear marked reserves and consider their allocations
It was agreed to return £2000 from skate project to general reserves to support future recreation ground projects. It was agreed to increase the election earmarked reserve to £2000 every year and put a further £5000 from general reserves into the earmarked election reserve. Proposed and seconded. 4-0-0

d) Note, consider and confirm the final external auditor report & conclusion of external audit AGAR
Agreed. Proposed and seconded. 4-0-0 The Chairman thanked the office for their work on this.

e) To review income and spending and agree that current figures meet with expectation to 30th June 2026 Q1
Reviewed and agreed. Proposed and seconded. 4-0-0

f) Noted the local government pay award for 2026/27 including library staffing too. Noted.

FGP 9.6 Other matters referred to the Clerk

There were no other matters referred to the Clerk.

FGP 9.7 Date of next meeting – Monday 7th December 2026 at The William Blake Memorial Hall, South Petherton.

Meeting closed at 6.52pm

Signed: **Date:**