



## Finance Committee Meeting Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, March 18, 2026.

**Present:** Richard Barrett (Chair), Peter Ramsdale, Alison Sercombe, Paul Gregory, Toby Newman, Paul Willmott

**Officer:** Clerk/Locum Clerk

**Members of the Public:**1/0

The meeting opening at 19:30 and closed at 20:03

### Item

**#51/2025-26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Apologies received from Cllr Street were accepted and approved. Cllr Barrett Chaired the meeting.

**#52/2025-26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Newman – Wheatley Park School

Cllr Ramsdale Wheatley Playing Fields Trust and Wheatley Rugby Club

**#53/2025-26 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE MINUTES**

Previously circulated. 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – Approved unanimously by the committee and were duly signed by the chairman of the meeting as a true record of the meeting.

**#54/2025-26 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & PUBLIC QUESTIONS (maximum of 30mins in total and 5mins per person)** Open Session Start Time: 19:31pm. Close Time: 19:37pm.

A member of the Playing Field Trust stressed the urgency of carrying out the necessary investigative works during the Easter half-term break. This will help preserve the pavilion (upper and lower) and enable further works, such as plumbing, heating, and drainage to proceed during the summer holidays.

**#55/2025-26 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 20th April 2026

**#56/2025-26 TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS DUE TO THE COMERCIALY SENSITIVE NATURE OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED (Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014 SI2014/2095)**

Approved. Closed session commenced at 19:37pm.

**#57/2025-26 TO CONSIDER QUOTES FOR INVESTIGATIVE WORK AT WHEATLEY PLAYING FIELD PAVILIONS**

The Committee resolved to proceed with the investigative works. The Committee resolved to proceed with Savvy at a cost of the following:  
Break out concrete around 5no. timber posts to an approximate depth of 100mm and approximate area of 500mm<sup>2</sup>. Leave the area exposed for investigation by your Structural Engineer and return to site to temporarily

reinstate each excavation with concrete mixed in situ. We have assumed we will have free parking for the duration of the works

**For the sum of £1,676.40 Excluding VAT & Asbestos removal.**

At this stage we assume that there is no DPM, DPC or screed to reinstate given the type of building.

We offer an extra over cost option to remove the floor tiles and asbestos adhesive from 2 locations based on the information provided in the asbestos report at this stage we have allowed 2 areas approximately 500mm<sup>2</sup>

**For the sum of £1,440.00 Excluding VAT.**

However, the Council's acceptance is conditional upon the:

- Clarification that they need to excavate another 40-50cm below the concrete slab.
- If there is any an additional cost, the Council agreed to another £2244.

The Committee would like to ensure that the structural engineer is available to review and Savvy able to refill/the floor made good and solid by no later than the 10th April.

Cllrs also approved granting Delegated Powers to the Clerk, in conjunction with the Chair of the Finance Committee, to approve the quote from Savvy once the above conditions are confirmed.