

CLERKS AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER REPORT

FOR YEAR APRIL 2025/MARCH 2026

The Parish Councils finances remain healthy due to the sound financial management of the Council

At the start of the financial year the Councils bank balance stood at £55,939. At the end of March, the balance was £78,267. We received £20,709 CIL money. Part of the CIL money received was utilised for the new fencing at Josephs Pound – totalling 4773. In addition, with the opening of a deposit account with our internet bank, we earned £725 in bank interest for the year. After the APM – an application will be made to HMRC for the refund of VAT paid out over the year totalling £2,514.

I am pleased to report, that as a Parish Council being pro-active in 2025/2026 with the precept, that there will be no increase for 2026/27 precept (£31,700)

The new accounts software (Scribe) purchased this year has proved beneficial with helping me to provide budget reporting each quarter. Also with doing all the financial reports at year end for the external auditor.

My thanks go to our Chairman Kevin Bray, who is always there for me to bend his ear on something about the Parish. To all the Cllrs who give up their time for the good of the Parish, including weekends, and not asking too many times to spend my budget!!!

Special mention to Unitary Cllr Bob Filmer for his invaluable advice on many aspects of running the Parish – thank you

I am confident that all financial decisions taken by the Parish Council have been the correct ones.

Jim Murray

Clerk & RFO

April 2026