

BOXTED PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 13th May 2026 in the Village Hall at 7PM

Called by Jamie Seakens

Present

Councillors Jamie Seakens (Chair), Arabella Brentnall, Amin Dedhar, Jon Hunt, James Collitt and David Taplin.
 Clerk – Karen Thompson
 Members of the public

1. Welcome

The Chair, Jamie Seakens, welcomed everyone to the Annual Parish meeting of Boxted Parish Council. The purpose of the meeting was to hear the views of residents.

2. Approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 14th May 2025

The minutes were approved.

3. Financial Statement

The financial report as of 31 March 2026 was presented which shows the council is in good financial health.

BOXTED PARISH COUNCIL Financial Report to End March 2026			
Reconciliation			
2024/25 £			2025/26 £
<u>86,482.56</u>	Opening balances at 1st April 2025		<u>73,227.53</u>
99,155.51	PLUS receipts (as detailed overleaf)	95,388.89	
<u>112,410.54</u>	LESS outgoings (as detailed overleaf)	103,498.93	<u>-8,110.04</u>
<u>-13,255.03</u>			
<u>73,227.53</u>	Closing balances in hand at End March 2026		<u>65,117.49</u>
63,319.66	Lloyds BPC Current a/c..5800 (including uncleared funds (-))	51,634.25	
-	Lloyds BPC Business Saver (Deposit) a/c	-	
9,066.01	Lloyds BPC Sports & Social Club ..1368	13,001.65	
841.86	Caxton FX Card Balance	481.59	
<u>73,227.53</u>			<u>65,117.49</u>
	check sh/bs ZERO		<u>-</u>

Boxted Parish Council
Financial Report to end March 2026

24/25

2025/26

		Actual to date	Budget	% of Budget	Forecast	Notes
RECEIPTS (page 1)				12 of 12%		
64,763.00	Precept	65,746.00	65,746	100	65746	
1,287.00	LCTS	1,287.00	1,287	100	1287	
0.00	Bank interest	0.00				
9,423.31	VAT refunds	7,594.76				
1,560.93	Grants	333.00	2,100		333	
2,204.41	S106 Grants	0.00				
603.48	Events	0.00				
262.38	Misc/Donations	326.67	875		327	
80,104.51	Total BPC Acct	75,287.43	70,008	108	67693	
	Hub & Sports & Social Club					
375.00	Fete Income	0.00				
6,306.00	Lease fees	6,453.96	6,658	97	6500	
12,370.00	Hirings	13,647.50	11,100	123	13500	
19,051.00	Total SSC Act	20,101.46	17,758	113	20000	
99,155.51		95,388.89	87,766	109	87693	
PAYMENTS				12 of 12%		
Parish Council Amenities						
17,208.95	Plants and Grass and field	20,644.98	16,000	129	21000	
5,851.05	Sports/play/rec equip	3,152.99	3,500	90	3500	picnic benches E:
2,138.13	General Maintenance	5,195.84	1,683	309	5500	Area betw buildin
1,519.15	Bin Contracts Dog and recycling	1,507.63	1,483	102	1483	
110.00	Trees/Hedging	622.50	1,020	61	250	
56.50	Village Green	1,051.01	3,100	34	1100	
48.32	Phonebox library	0.00	60		0	
0.00	Camping Close	0.00	-		0	
1,200.00	Advice (Legal/Professional)	3,485.12	2,000	174	2800	HNS, Planning D
245.50	Village hall room hire	198.00	400	50	200	
3,125.91	Insurance	3,415.81	2,917	117	3415	
760.00	Audit	760.00	852	89	760	
700.00	S 137 donations to groups	0.00	1,000	0	500	
697.78	Subs/registrations/fees	743.07	787	94	650	
31,145.37	Salary, PAYE, NI, Pension	33,126.90	27,988	118	32500	
1,651.11	Equipment and Software	2,273.28	2,805	81	2200	Laptop?
795.35	Mileage/travel	655.20	900	73	650	
1,119.35	Sundry	863.96	900	96	900	
273.98	Stationery/printing/lit/postage	57.93	250	23	100	
546.00	Training courses/seminars/mtgs	0.00	550	0	0	
1,859.50	Special events/publicity/election	459.22	2,000	23	460	
2,763.45	Transfer to reserves				0	
73,815.40	Total Parish Council main lines	78,213.42	70,195.00		77,968.00	
New Projects to fund from reserves						
	Nest swing	0.00	3,000		0	
	Fencing	0.00	7,500		0	
	Notice board	0.00	600		0	
	New Dog bin on PROW	0.00	800		0	
	New shed	0.00	2,000	0	0	
	Knee High Fencing	1,569.27	2,500	63	1,570	
11,300.33	Total new projects from reser	1,569.27	16,400		1,570	
85,115.73	Total PC including new projects	79,782.69	86,595	92	79,538.00	
	Hub & Sports & Social Club					
7,647.61	Electricity/Oil	7,173.13	3,000	239	7,500	
2,113.31	Water	1,887.31	1,795	105	1,500	
3,604.20	Pay (inc Cleaners)	3,713.40	3,373	110	3,750	
570.59	Broadband	505.20	300	168	540	
3,226.78	Repairs/Equipment/Insp's/Fees	1,189.72	2,295	52	1,300	
1748.1	Trade Waste	1,642.40	1,508	109	1,508	
18,910.59	Total SSC	16,111.16	12,271	131	16,098.00	
104,026.32	Gross Outgoings	95,893.85	98,866	97	95,636	
8,384.22	Vat paid reclaimable	7,605.08				
112,410.54	Total Gross Outgoings	103,498.93	98,866	105	95,636	
- 13,255.03	Profit/(Loss)	-£8,110.04	- 11,100		- 7,943	

Notes

Projects not completed will need to be funded by reserves, which are sufficient but diminishing

4. Q & A session

Members of the public raised the following discussion points:

- Potholes and accessing county councillors.
- Hub reopening – planned for July 26.
- Internal noise absorption in hub café
- Neighbours that don't look after their properties causing H&S and environment concerns
- Pylons
- Historic Boxted bridge replacement
- Severalls bridge planned repairs
- Village Fete in 2027 – c/o Dominic Shiel

The meeting closed at 730pm.