Financial Report

To the August 14th, 2026, Parish Council Meeting.

1.Bank reconciliation as of End July 2026

Detail	Amount
Balance brought forward from 30th June 2026 Bank reconciliation	**£ 68,643.04**
Less Payments authorised at July 2026 PCM:	£ -
HMRC month 4	£ 176.26
Michael Webb	£ 73.34
WPC prepayment card re Norton anti virus Annual Fee	£ 39.99
The Walton Trust	£ 15.00
Viking Office Depot	£ 101.98
Go.2.Services	£ 707.00
Somerset Council	£ 507.00
Arboricare Ltd.	£ 192.00
SLCC annual subscription	£ 200.00
H. Moore	£ 1,134.93
NEST	£ 173.26
Bank service charge	£ 5.17
EE	£ 24.00
sub total	**£ 65,293.11**
Plus receipts:	**£ -**
Bank interest general deposit	£ 22.92
bank interest harry skinner deposit	£ 1.28
Receipts and Payments Balance as of 31/07/2026	**£ 65,317.31**
Balance to agree with bank statements:	**£ -**
current account [Community account]	**£ 6,415.96**
reserve account [general deposit]	**£ 55,797.52**
Harry Skinner Reserve	**£ 3,103.83**
Sub total	**£ 65,317.31**
Less uncleared / outstanding, payments:	
none	
Bank Accounts Total as of 31/07/2026	**£ 65,317.31**
variance	**£ 0.00**

2.Transfers made between accounts in July 2026

- None

Signed: _____ Date: _____

3. Balance of general Reserves as of 31st July 2026

RESERVE	TYPE	BALANCE
Administration	*designated*	20,200.21
Election Expenses	*designated*	799.00
Play area	*designated*	13,846.17
East Mead Field	*restricted*	8,809.87
Community Benefit	*restricted*	846.91
Office Equipment	*designated*	791.68
Events	*designated*	2,125.07
Environment	*designated*	2,760.52
Village Improvement	*designated*	4,618.09
Village upkeep equipment	*designated*	1,000.00
TOTAL	*[balance of general deposit account]*	**55,797.52**

(Designated reserves are those agreed [ring fenced] by Council, restricted reserves are those restricted by grant conditions etc.)

4. Harry Skinner Reserve Account

Balance £3,103.83 [*restricted reserve]*

5. External Auditors Report for year ending 31/03/2026

No issues were raised by the external auditor. Their full response is attached as appendix one of this report.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Section 3 – External Auditor's Report and Certificate 2025/26

In respect of **Walton Parish Council - SO0277**

1 Respective responsibilities of the auditor and the authority

Our responsibility as auditors to complete a **limited assurance review** is set out by the National Audit Office (NAO). A limited assurance review is **not a full statutory audit**, it does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and hence it **does not** provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would. The UK Government has determined that a lower level of assurance than that provided by a full statutory audit is appropriate for those local public bodies with the lowest levels of spending.

Under a limited assurance review, the auditor is responsible for reviewing Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with NAO Auditor Guidance Note 02 (AGN 02) as issued by the NAO on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General. AGN 02 is available from the NAO website – https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/guidance-and-information-for-auditors/

This authority is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The authority prepares an Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with *Proper Practices* which:

- summarises the accounting records for the year ended 31 March 2026; and
- confirms and provides assurance on those matters that are relevant to our duties and responsibilities as external auditors.

2 External auditor's limited assurance opinion 2025/26

On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority:

None

3 External auditor certificate 2025/26

We certify that we have completed our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, and discharged our responsibilities under the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, for the year ended 31 March 2026.

External Auditor Name

PKF LITTLEJOHN LLP

External Auditor Signature PKF LITTLEJOHN LLP Date 24/07/2026