



Minutes of the Finance Working Group meeting of Bearsted Parish Council

Parish Office, Madginford Hall, Egremont Road, Bearsted on Thursday 11th June 2026 at 11am

Present:

Cllr Frank Jagger (Chair)
Cllr Richard Ash MBE
Cllr Max Huseyin
Cllr Carolyn Smith

Also, in attendance was the Clerk Joanne Upton.

1. To Elect a Chairperson

It was agreed that Cllr Jagger would Chair this meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest, Dispensation or Lobbying

There were no declarations.

3. Apologies and absences

There were none.

4. Signing of the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 7th May 2026 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

5. Finance (Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011/817)

- a. Resolution to approve/ratify quotations or payments:
It was agreed to recommend to FC the quote for £305 +VAT from Safe I.S for a fire risk assessment of the office & Madginford Hall.
- b. Grants and Donations: There were none to consider.
- c. Review June Payments: It was agreed to recommend approval to Full Council.
- d. Review Finance Reports: It was agreed to recommend approval to Full Council.
- e. Review Balance of Accounts: It was agreed to recommend approval to Full Council.
The Clerk advised that the £85,000 in the Unity Fixed rate account which ends in July will be moved to the Unity Instant Access account, pending a decision from KCC on purchasing the land.

6. KCC Rent Review and Lease

KCC have confirmed that our offer to purchase the land and their subsequent valuation will be considered by the Asset Review Board at a meeting on the 17th June 2026.

7. Date of next meeting, 9th July 2026

There being no further business to transact, the meeting ended at 11:28 hrs.

Signed..... Date.....