

Market Deeping Town Council - Finance and Personnel Committee

Minutes of a meeting of Market Deeping Town Council's Finance and personnel Committee held on Wednesday 8 July 2026 at 6:45 pm at The Town Hall, Market Deeping. Cllr Broughton presided over Cllr Mrs Jones, Cllr Hanson and Cllr Dr Byrd. The Clerk was also in attendance.

No members of the public attended.

1. Chairman's Welcome

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting at 6:45pm

2. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

4. Notes of minutes from the Finance & Personnel Committee meeting 8 April 2026

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the meeting as a true and accurate record. Cllr Mrs Jones signed the minutes as Chair.

5. Clerk's report

Members had received a copy of the report prior to the meeting.

Clerk's Report 8 July 2026

The documentation has been submitted to PKF Littlejohn as external auditor of our Annual Governance report for 2025/26.

6. Correspondence

Members had received a copy of the correspondence prior to the meeting.

Correspondence to be Noted – Received up to 8 July 2026				
No.	Received from	Date Received	Subject	Committee Response
1.	British Gas	29.6.26	Additional non-energy costs on your bill	Noted

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1.				

7. For members to review the detailed income and expenditure to 30.6.2026.

The clerk had provided members with a copy of detailed income and expenditure by budget heading to 30/06/2026. A discussion took place and it was **RESOLVED** that the detailed income and expenditure to 30/06/2026 were in order.

Cllr Mrs Jones asked members if there were any further comments, there were none.

8. Year-end closedown to include a review of Ear Marked Reserves categories.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding EMR categories. Councillors were happy with all the categories and agreed they were to stay the same.

Cllr Dr Byrd requested that a flat plaque type plinth be put next to the Willow tree at Riverside Park to mark that it was planted in honour of King Charles's Coronation. It was **RESOLVED** to place a plinth and that the cost should come from either EMR 332 – Community Assets or EMR 333 – War memorial.

Cllr Broughton asked this to be placed on the AOS agenda.

9. To consider the future ownership of Millfield field.

A discussion took place regarding Millfield. Historically it belonged to the people of Market Deeping and is thought to have been given to the County (LCC) in around 1920. It is felt that Market Deeping are deficient in green spaces and it was **RESOLVED** to approach LCC with an aim to try and obtain the land (thought to be around 10 acres) for the benefit of the Deepings' Community.

Cllr Broughton volunteered to find out who at LCC is responsible for the transfer of assets and to take this forward.

10. For members to consider criteria for future DNP payments

It was **RESOLVED** that the same criteria would be applied to the DNP as is used for other organisations before precepted payments are granted i.e. accounts would be requested etc.

11. Personnel – Consideration to go into Closed Session. To include:

Staff matters

It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** unanimously to move into Closed Session to members of the press and public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, for members to discuss items that contained information of a confidential nature: staff issues.

A discussion of a confidential nature took place regarding staffing matters.

It was then **RESOLVED** unanimously to come out of Closed Session.

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12. To consider items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the next Finance and Personnel committee meeting, to be held at The Town Hall on Wednesday 26th August 2026 at 6.45pm.

The Chairman thanked all members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 7.20 pm.

Chairman’s signature.....

Date.....