



Slinfold Parish Council

Cherrytree Farm, Hayes Lane, RH13 0SQ

Telephone 07894 858048 email: clerk@slinfold-pc.gov.uk

Minutes of the Slinfold Annual Parish Council Meeting 20th May 2026

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

(a) To elect a Chair

It was **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Roberts as Chair for 2026-27

(b) To elect a Vice Chair

It was **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Skeates as Vice Chair for 2026-27

2. Attendance and Apologies for Absence

To accept apologies and reasons for absence.

In attendance: Councillors Casdagli, Roberts, Skeates, Slipper, Smith, Snow, Walker and Waples

Apologies: Councillor Sherwin-Smith which it was **RESOLVED** to accept.

Also in attendance: Mike Simpson (Clerk), District Councillor Ross Dye and County Councillor Colin Minto.

3. Declarations of Interest, Notification of Changes to Members' Interests and consider any requests for a dispensation.

There were none

4. Public Session (Members of the Public may speak for up to five minutes at the discretion of the Chair)

There were no comments

5. Minutes from the previous meeting on 30th April 2026

It was **RESOLVED** to approve them as a true and accurate record.

6. General Power of Competence

To review eligibility and adopt the General Power of Competence for 2026-27

The Council did not meet the criteria so could not adopt the General Power of Competence.

7. Committees and Working Groups

(a) To form and appoint members to committees

It was **RESOLVED** to form the following committees and memberships:

Finance and Establishment: Councillors Casdagli, Roberts, Skeates, Slipper and Snow

Recreation, Youth, Environment, Highways and Byways: Councillors Casdagli, Roberts, Sherwin-Smith, Slipper, Snow, Walker and Waples.

Planning: Councillors Sherwin-Smith, Skeates, Smith and Waples.

(b) To adopt terms of reference for committees

Councillors considered the draft terms of references for each committee and **RESOLVED** to adopt them (see appendices).

8. Appointments to outside bodies

To confirm any councillor appointments to outside bodies.

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint Councillors Slipper and Walker to the village hall and St Peter's Church and Councillor Sherwin-Smith to Parish Cottages.

9. Meeting dates

To consider and adopt meeting dates for 2026-27

It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the last Thursday of the month for Council meetings (except for December 17th and no meeting in August) and the following dates for Committees: 10th September, 12th November, March 18th

10. Councillor Reports

To receive reports from the District and County Councillors

District Councillor Ross Dye introduced himself following his by election victory. He had lived in Slinfold before and was very invested in the area. He was currently a Parish Councillor for Itchingfield and would attend as many Council meetings as possible.

Councillor Minto was from Broadbridge Heath and had been a District Councillor for seven years before deciding to stand for County Council. He had recently received Councillor induction, and a lot of work was being carried out forming the new administration.

11. Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2025-26

(a) Internal Audit Report

To review and approve

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the annual internal audit report and to implement the recommendations for a data audit and investment policy.

(b) Section 1 of the AGAR

To review and approve

Councillors **RESOLVED** to approve section 1

(c) Section 2 of the AGAR

To review and approve

Councillors **RESOLVED** to approve section 2

(d) Notice of electors' rights

It was **RESOLVED** to set the notice for electors' rights from 3rd June to 14th July 2026.

12. Planning Applications

(a) To consider the following applications

DC/26/0185 Land On The South West Side of Rowhook Hill Rowhook West Sussex: Regrading of land levels to form a hardstanding area associated with horticultural use.

It was **RESOLVED** to object to this application as it did not believe the hardstanding was necessary for the production of Christmas trees, caused an unjustified change of use and would be harmful to the rural character of the countryside. The Council was also concerned it would set a precedent for future applications with a potential view to urbanise.

DC/26/0592 Land at Lower Broadbridge Farm Billingshurst Road Broadbridge Heath Horsham Reserved matters application for the erection of 133 dwellings following approval of outline application DC/22/1052 as amended by DC/25/1886, relating to appearance, landscaping, layout and scale

It was **RESOLVED** to have no objection to this application.

DC/26/0584 Spinners, Hayes Lane siting if a mobile home for ancillary use to the main development (Lawful Development Certificate)

It was **RESOLVED** to have no objection to this application.

(b) To consider any applications received since the publication of the agenda

DC/26/0787: Five Oaks Road Slinfold Horsham West Sussex: Upgrading the existing Overhead line from single-phase to triple-phase (2 to 3 wires)

It was **RESOLVED** to have no objection to this application.

(c) To receive an update on any planning appeals

There were none

(d) To receive an update from the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

There was no update.

13. Finances and Administration

(a) To review the schedule of payments and bank reconciliation since the 30th April 2026

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payment schedule and bank reconciliation (see appendices).

(b) To review the latest variance report

Councillors noted the report (see appendices).

14. Highways and Byways

(a) To receive an update on Community Speedwatch

This item was deferred until the next meeting

(b) To discuss the use of laybys in the parish for parking

This item was deferred until the next meeting.

15. Grounds and building maintenance

To receive an update on Slinfold Stores

The clerk reported that the approved contractor was delaying the start date and not sending agreed information which was necessary to apply for listed building consent. It was agreed that the clerk set a deadline and if the information was not sent then Councillors would consider other options.

16. Local Government Reorganisation

(a) To consider a response to the consultation for a Community Governance Review in Horsham District

The clerk would circulate information again

(b) To consider a response to the second consultation on Local Government reorganisation in Sussex

The clerk would circulate information again

**Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 01/05/2026
for Cashbook 1 - CO-OP**

<u>Bank Statement Account Name (s)</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Balances</u>
CO-OP	01/05/2026		56,909.22
			<u>56,909.22</u>
<u>Unpresented Payments (Minus)</u>		<u>Amount</u>	
		0.00	
			<u>0.00</u>
			56,909.22
<u>Unpresented Receipts (Plus)</u>			
		0.00	
			<u>0.00</u>
			56,909.22
		Balance per Cash Book is :-	56,909.22
		Difference is :-	0.00

Signatory 1:

Name Signed Date

Signatory 2:

Name Signed Date

View Mini Statement

Account: 0892996534736800

Balance Details

Available balance: £ 56,663.73

Current balance: £ 56,663.73

Overdraft limit: £ 0.00

Remaining overdraft: £ 0.00

Your balance as of: 13/05/2026

Transactions list:

Transaction date	Bank reference	Customer reference	Type of payment	Credit amount (GBP)	Debit amount (GBP)	Balance (GBP)
13/05/2026	Michael Simpson		Standing Order		£ -257.99	£ 56,663.73
06/05/2026	HorshamLottery	CLIENTS DEPOSIT	Faster Payment	£ 12.50		£ 56,921.72
01/05/2026	2198	4 The Youth Ltd	Standing Order		£ -2,307.57	£ 56,909.22
01/05/2026		Michael Simpson	Standing Order		£ -2,178.51	£ 59,216.79
01/05/2026	569	OSBORNE CD	Standing Order		£ -1,130.00	£ 61,395.30
01/05/2026	0120	WEST SUSSEX ALC LI	Standing Order		£ -747.20	£ 62,525.30
01/05/2026	NR0503 APR2026	WSCC Pension Fund	Standing Order		£ -620.02	£ 63,272.50
01/05/2026	From Slinfold PC	Slinfold Village H	Standing Order		£ -313.00	£ 63,892.52
01/05/2026	SM34034	Rialtas Business S	Standing Order		£ -252.00	£ 64,205.52
01/05/2026	Slinfold PC	John Pilkington	Standing Order		£ -248.80	£ 64,457.52
01/05/2026		Tony Burroughs	Standing Order		£ -179.40	£ 64,706.32
01/05/2026	Slinfold PC	Mrs J Slipper	Standing Order		£ -126.36	£ 64,885.72
01/05/2026	45UF021-0010	Local Authority Te	Transfer		£ -530.40	£ 65,012.08
27/04/2026		HORSHAM DISTRICT C	BACS Credit	£ 39,165.00		£ 65,542.48

23/04/2026	0000538159	HMRC SDDS	Direct Debit	£ -3,824.97	£ 26,377.48
22/04/2026	559	OSBORNE CD	Standing Order	£ -470.00	£ 30,202.45
16/04/2026	010000100352000001	HORSHAM DISTRICT C	Direct Debit	£ -29.70	£ 30,672.45
15/04/2026	XWV126000104572	HMRC VTR	BACS Credit	£ 1,105.98	£ 30,702.15

Detailed Receipts & Payments by Budget Heading 18/05/2026

Cost Centre Report

	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
<u>100 Income</u>							
118 Horsham Lottery	28	0	(28)			0.0%	28
1076 Precept	39,165	78,330	39,165			50.0%	
1080 Bank Interest	0	4,000	4,000			0.0%	
1100 Grants Received	0	2,800	2,800			0.0%	
1120 Environment Cleansing	0	1,800	1,800			0.0%	
Income :- Receipts	39,193	86,930	47,738			45.1%	28
Net Receipts	39,193	86,930	47,738				
6001 less Transfer to EMR	28						
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	39,165						
<u>200 Administration</u>							
4000 Clerk & Environment Officers	7,052	55,500	48,448		48,448	12.7%	
4025 EO Expenses	0	250	250		250	0.0%	
4055 Training	0	150	150		150	0.0%	
4060 Audit	319	650	331		331	49.0%	
4080 Subscriptions	747	753	6		6	99.2%	
4091 Chair's Allowance	0	400	400		400	0.0%	
4100 Insurance	0	2,389	2,389		2,389	0.0%	
4130 Hall Hire	0	850	850		850	0.0%	
4135 FC Office Hire	0	300	300		300	0.0%	
4140 Website and email	442	570	128		128	77.5%	
4150 Software	210	320	110		110	65.6%	
Administration :- Indirect Payments	8,770	62,132	53,362	0	53,362	14.1%	0
Net Payments	(8,770)	(62,132)	(53,362)				
<u>250 Football Club</u>							
1200 Rental Income	0	150	150			0.0%	
1205 Insurance Reclaimed	0	400	400			0.0%	
1210 Grounds Maintenance Reclaim	650	400	(250)			162.5%	
Football Club :- Receipts	650	950	300			68.4%	0
Net Receipts	650	950	300				
<u>255 Tennis Club</u>							
1200 Rental Income	0	150	150			0.0%	
1205 Insurance Reclaimed	0	360	360			0.0%	
1210 Grounds Maintenance Reclaim	0	900	900			0.0%	
Tennis Club :- Receipts	0	1,410	1,410			0.0%	0
Net Receipts	0	1,410	1,410				

Detailed Receipts & Payments by Budget Heading 18/05/2026

Cost Centre Report

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
260	<u>Community Shed</u>							
1205	Insurance Reclaimed	0	92	92			0.0%	
	Community Shed :- Receipts	<u>0</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>			<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0</u>
	Net Receipts	<u>0</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>				
270	<u>Slinfold Stores</u>							
1200	Rental Income	0	1,000	1,000			0.0%	
1205	Insurance Reclaimed	0	300	300			0.0%	
	Slinfold Stores :- Receipts	<u>0</u>	<u>1,300</u>	<u>1,300</u>			<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0</u>
	Net Receipts	<u>0</u>	<u>1,300</u>	<u>1,300</u>				
275	<u>Cherrytree</u>							
4406	CT Bin Collection	30	0	(30)		(30)	0.0%	
	Cherrytree :- Indirect Payments	<u>30</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(30)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(30)</u>		<u>0</u>
	Net Payments	<u>(30)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>30</u>				
300	<u>Community Services</u>							
4310	Community Events	0	2,800	2,800		2,800	0.0%	
4320	Youth Services	2,453	8,000	5,547		5,547	30.7%	
4321	Youth Services Other	235	0	(235)		(235)	0.0%	217
4370	Newsletters/Promotions	0	3,000	3,000		3,000	0.0%	
4390	Grants Made	0	2,500	2,500		2,500	0.0%	
4395	Cosy Café	276	2,800	2,524		2,524	9.9%	276
	Community Services :- Indirect Payments	<u>2,964</u>	<u>19,100</u>	<u>16,136</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,136</u>	<u>15.5%</u>	<u>493</u>
	Net Payments	<u>(2,964)</u>	<u>(19,100)</u>	<u>(16,136)</u>				
6000	plus Transfer from EMR	493						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(2,471)</u>						
350	<u>Recreation</u>							
4400	Bin collection	177	750	573		573	23.6%	
4405	Dog bins	177	1,050	873		873	16.8%	
4412	Grounds Maintenance Extra Cuts	485	850	366		366	57.0%	
4420	King George V	310	1,260	950		950	24.6%	
4421	KGV playground inspection	0	270	270		270	0.0%	
4425	Six Acres	400	2,875	2,475		2,475	13.9%	400
4426	Six Acres playgroundinspection	0	125	125		125	0.0%	

Detailed Receipts & Payments by Budget Heading 18/05/2026

Cost Centre Report

	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
4435 Grounds Maintenance Cherrytree	375	1,300	925		925	28.8%	
4436 GM Football Club	40	400	360		360	10.0%	
4437 GM Tennis Club	130	900	770		770	14.4%	
Recreation :- Indirect Payments	2,093	9,780	7,687	0	7,687	21.4%	400
Net Payments	(2,093)	(9,780)	(7,687)				
6000 plus Transfer from EMR	400						
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(1,693)						
<u>400 Highways & Byways</u>							
4510 Streetlights & Maintenance	0	2,100	2,100		2,100	0.0%	
Highways & Byways :- Indirect Payments	0	2,100	2,100	0	2,100	0.0%	0
Net Payments	0	(2,100)	(2,100)				
<u>999 VAT Data</u>							
115 VAT on Receipts	1,106	0	(1,106)			0.0%	
VAT Data :- Receipts	1,106	0	(1,106)				0
515 VAT on Payments	235	0	(235)		(235)	0.0%	
VAT Data :- Indirect Payments	235	0	(235)	0	(235)		0
Net Receipts over Payments	871	0	(871)				
Grand Totals:- Receipts	40,948	90,682	49,734			45.2%	
Payments	14,092	93,112	79,020	0	79,020	15.1%	
Net Receipts over Payments	26,857	(2,430)	(29,287)				
plus Transfer from EMR	893						
less Transfer to EMR	28						
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	27,722						

List of Payments made between 01/05/2026 and 20/05/2026

<u>Date Paid</u>	<u>Payee Name</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Amount Paid</u>	<u>Authorized Ref</u>	<u>Transaction Detail</u>
12/05/2026	Amazon EU	BACS	248.00		Nintendo Switch
12/05/2026	Tata Warm Ltd	BACS	9.99		Nintendo Switch case
18/05/2026	Slinfold Village Hall	BACS	108.50		2324/2345/2352
20/05/2026	Mulberry & Co	BACS	382.50		Internal Audit 2026 (2099)
20/05/2026	The Cut Flower Garden	BACS	139.50		geraneums
20/05/2026	Slinfold Community Shed	BACS	150.00		Notice Board (001)
20/05/2026	SSE	BACS	142.99		April 2026
20/05/2026	Mike Simpson	BACS	2,163.71		Salary May
20/05/2026	Tony Burroughs	BACS	179.40		Salary May
20/05/2026	John Pilkington	BACS	241.20		Salary May
20/05/2026	LGPS	BACS	620.02		May 2026
Total Payments			<u>4,385.81</u>		

Annual Internal Audit Report 2025/26

Slingford Parish Council

WWW.SLINGFORD-PC.GOV.UK

During the financial year ended 31 March 2026, this authority's internal auditor acting independently and on the basis of an assessment of risk, carried out a selective assessment of compliance with the relevant procedures and controls in operation and obtained appropriate evidence from the authority.

The internal audit for 2025/26 has been carried out in accordance with this authority's needs and planned coverage. On the basis of the findings in the areas examined, the internal audit conclusions are summarised in this table. Set out below are the objectives of internal control and alongside are the internal audit conclusions on whether, in all significant respects, the control objectives were being achieved throughout the financial year to a standard adequate to meet the needs of this authority.

Internal control objective	Yes	No*	Not covered**
A. Appropriate accounting records have been properly kept throughout the financial year.	✓		
B. This authority complied with its financial regulations, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved and VAT was appropriately accounted for.	✓		
C. This authority assessed the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these.	✓		
D. The precept or rates requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate.	✓		
E. Expected income was fully received, based on correct prices, properly recorded and promptly banked; and VAT was appropriately accounted for.	✓		
F. Cash payments were properly supported by receipts, all cash expenditure was approved and VAT appropriately accounted for.			✓
G. Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with this authority's approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied.	✓		
H. Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained.	✓		
I. Periodic bank account reconciliations were properly carried out during the year.	✓		
J. Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded.	✓		
K. If the authority certified itself as exempt from a limited assurance review in 2024/25, it met the exemption criteria and correctly declared itself exempt. (If the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2024/25 AGAR tick "not covered")			✓
L. The authority published the required information on a website/webpage up to date at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation.	✓		
M. In the year covered by this AGAR, the authority correctly provided for a period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations (during the 2025/26 AGAR period, were public rights in relation to the 2024-25 AGAR evidenced by a notice on the website and/or authority approved minutes confirming the dates set).	✓		
N. The authority has complied with the publication requirements for 2024/25 AGAR (see AGAR Page 1 Guidance Notes).	✓		
O. The authority has complied with laws, regulations & proper practices relating to digital and data compliance.	✓		
P. (For local councils only)	Yes	No	Not applicable
Trust funds (including charitable) – The council met its responsibilities as a trustee.	✓		

For any other risk areas identified by this authority adequate controls existed (list any other risk areas on separate sheets if needed).

Date(s) internal audit undertaken

Name of person who carried out the internal audit

05/05/2026

TRACEY Evesden MULBERRY HAS

Signature of person who carried out the internal audit

Date

05/05/2026

*If the response is 'no' please state the implications and action being taken to address any weakness in control identified (add separate sheets if needed).

**Note: If the response is 'not covered' please state when the most recent internal audit work was done in this area and when it is next planned; or, if coverage is not required, the annual internal audit report must explain why not (add separate sheets if needed).

Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2025/26

We acknowledge as the members of:

SLINFOLD PARISH COUNCIL

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026, that:

	Agreed		'Yes' means that this authority:
	Yes	No*	
1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	✓		prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	✓		made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.
3. We have assured ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	✓		has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	✓		during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	✓		considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	✓		arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.
7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	✓		responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	✓		disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A
	✓		has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.
10. We have put in place arrangements for the effective IT and data management in accordance with proper practices during the year under review.	✓		has made suitable arrangements for its IT and data management and has complied with proper practices in doing so.

***Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.**

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

20/05/2026

and recorded as minute reference:

11B REFERENCE

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

Chair

Clerk

SIGNATURE REQUIRED
SIGNATURE REQUIRED

www.slinfold-pc.gov.uk PUBLICLY AVAILABLE WEBSITE/WEBPAGE ADDRESS

Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2025/26 for

SLINFOLD PARISH COUNCIL

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2026 £	
1. Balances brought forward	271,146	244,289	Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records. Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	66,220	75,317	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	31,495	65,116	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	50,899	53,941	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	73,673	53,655	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash-book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	244,289	277,126	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	244,289	277,126	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	811,669	812,926	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	0	0	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

For Local Councils Only	Yes	No	
11 Do the figures in the accounting statements above exclude any trust transactions?	✓		For guidance refer to the Practitioners' Guide sections 2.31 to 2.33.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2026 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval.

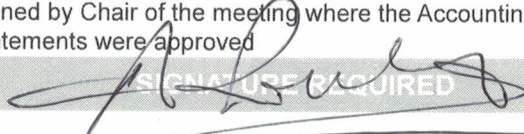
 **SIGNATURE REQUIRED**
Date 20/05/2026

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

20/05/2026
as recorded in minute reference:

11C **MINUTE REFERENCE**

Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

 **SIGNATURE REQUIRED**

SLINFOLD PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS AND PUBLICATION OF UNAUDITED ANNUAL GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Sections 26 and 27
The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)

NOTICE

1. Date of announcement Tuesday 2 June 2026 (a)

2. Each year the smaller authority's Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) needs to be reviewed by an external auditor appointed by Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments Ltd. The unaudited AGAR has been published with this notice. As it has yet to be reviewed by the appointed auditor, it is subject to change as a result of that review.

Any person interested has the right to inspect and make copies of the accounting records for the financial year to which the audit relates and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other documents relating to those records must be made available for inspection by any person interested. For the year ended 31 March 2026, these documents will be available on reasonable notice by application to:

(b) Mike Simpson, Clerk, Slinfold Football Club, Hayes Lane, Slinfold, RH13 0SQ clerk@slinfold-pc.gov.uk
07894858048

commencing on (c) Wednesday 3 June 2026

and ending on (d) Tuesday 14 July 2026

3. Local government electors and their representatives also have:

- The opportunity to question the appointed auditor about the accounting records; and
- The right to make an objection which concerns a matter in respect of which the appointed auditor could either make a public interest report or apply to the court for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the auditor and a copy sent to the smaller authority.

The appointed auditor can be contacted at the address in paragraph 4 below for this purpose between the above dates only.

4. The smaller authority's AGAR is subject to review by the appointed auditor under the provisions of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and the NAO's Code of Audit Practice 2015. The appointed auditor is:

Moore East Midlands (Ref AP/HD)
Rutland House
Minerva Business Park
Lynch Wood
Peterborough
PE2 6PZ



5. This announcement is made by (e) Mike Simpson (Clerk)