## **KELBROOK AND SOUGH PARISH COUNCIL**



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# Annual Meeting of Kelbrook and Sough Parish Council 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 7pm Kelbrook and Sough Village Hall, Kelbrook

Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend a full Meeting of the Parish Council in accordance with schedule 12, para. 10(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 to be held as detailed above. If you are unable to attend, your apologies and reason for absence should be forwarded to the Chair in advance.

### **AGENDA**

Meetings are open to the public and may be recorded by representatives of the media or by members of the public. Any persons intending to record the meeting are requested to respect the wishes of members of the public who have come to speak at a meeting; and reminded that it is not permitted for oral commentary to be provided during a meeting.

#### 1. Welcome

The Chair of the Parish Council, Cllr Elley to welcome all to the meeting at 7pm.

#### 2. Election of Parish Council Chair

- 2.1 To elect a Parish Council Chair for the 2025/2026 municipal year.
- 2.2 To ask the newly elected Chair to sign the Declaration of Office in accordance with Local Government Act 1972, section 83(4) 2012, and agree to abide by the Local Government Code of Conduct introduced under the Localism Act 2011.

#### 3. Election of Parish Council Vice-Chair

- 2.1 To elect a Parish Council Vice-Chair for the 2025/2026 municipal year.
- 2.2 To ask the newly elected Vice-Chair to sign the Declaration of Office in accordance with Local Government Act 1972, section 83(4) 2012, and agree to abide by the Local Government Code of Conduct introduced under the Localism Act 2011.

#### 4. Attendance, Apologies and Non-attendance

- 3.1 To record attendance, and non-attendance.
- 3.2 To record written apologies for absence.

#### 5. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of personal interest in any matter identified in this agenda.

A member with a disclosable interest in any item may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting. In addition, a member with a disclosable interest shall leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.

## 6. Public Participation

To allow for members of the public to be offered the opportunity to address Council on any subject not already an agenda item.

Questions or comments for the Council on agenda items should be sent via post/email to the Clerk using the Village Hall address or at <a href="mailto:clerk@kelbrookandsough-pc.gov.uk">clerk@kelbrookandsough-pc.gov.uk</a> at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Questions for Council requiring a more detailed answer should be sent via post/email to the Clerk using the Village Hall address or at <a href="mailto:clerk@kelbrookandsough-pc.gov.uk">clerk@kelbrookandsough-pc.gov.uk</a> one week prior to the meeting.

#### 7. Minutes

To accept and approve as an accurate representation, the draft minutes of the last meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024, previously circulated.

#### 8. Review of Representation

To consider the appointment of members to act as representatives on external bodies for 2025-2026. Appointees are required to provide reports to the Council and must not make any decisions on behalf of the Council.

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#### 9. Review of Standing Orders

To review and adopt Standing Orders updated version issued by NALC March 2025 with amendments to section 14. Code of Conduct Complaints and 18. Financial Controls and Procurement (previously circulated)

## 10. Review of Financial Regulations

To review and adopt Financial Regulations updated version issued by NALC March 2025 with amendments to section 5. Procurement (previously circulated)

## 11. First adoption of the following Governance Documents

To adopt (previously circulated)

- Business Continuity Policy
- Risk Management Policy
- Internal Control Policy
- Internal Control Review to be carried out quarterly
- Asset Register

# 12. Review of the following Policies

To adopt (previously circulated)

- Asset Register Policy
- Data Protection Policy
- ➤ Email Policy
- GDPR Data Protection Policy

## 13. Review of Bank Mandate with Unity Trust for 2025/2026

- 12.1 To approve Clerk/RFO as Kelbrook and Sough Parish Council's Internet Banking Administrator.
- 12.2 Administrator to give the following Banking Permissions:
  - Clerk/RFO, Cllrs Elley, Mayers, Ashley, Wright and Galway to be able to VIEW the account and activity.
  - Clerk/RFO, Cllrs Mayers, and Ashley to be able to set up payments and/or authorise according to the 2 factor authorisation requirements.

# 14. Full Year Accounts 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

14.1 To approve payments and receipts (Attached) and invoices since the last meeting held  $18^{th}$  March 2025 to  $31^{st}$  March 2025

- 14.2 To approve full year accounts from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025. (Enc.)
  - Opening balance as at 1st April 2024 £26,537.35
  - Closing balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 £24,333.15
  - Income from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 £20,444.42
  - ➤ Gross Expenditure from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 £22,648.62
- 14.3 To approve full year bank reconciliation from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. (Attached)

- 14.4 To note VAT Claim 126 submission from 1st April to 31st March 2025. (Attached))
  - ➤ £1,489.51 not yet received.
- 14.5 To approve year end Bank Statement 31.03.2025 (Enc)
- 14.6 To note year end Budget position. (Attached)
  - ➤ Budget £18,767 using £15,767 precept plus £3,000 from reserves.
  - Actual £20,429.17 resulting in an overspend of £1,662.17 and therefore £4, 662.17 from reserves.
  - Actual position taking into account a successful VAT claim of £1,489.51 will mean variance to budget is £172.66.

## 15. Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025

- 15.1 To note that the Internal Audit for 2024/25 was carried out on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Full report received including the Internal Control Objective Report duly signed by the auditor.
- 15.2 To review the Internal Control Objective Report and explanations for non-compliance (previously circulated)
- 15.3 To review and approve completed assertations for Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2024/2025 (previously circulated)
- 15.4 To review and approve Section 2 Accounting Statements 2024/25, Bank Reconciliation Proforma and Explanation of Variances proforma (previously circulated)
- 15.5 To review and approve the Notice of Public Rights for the unaudited AGAR for 2024/25 and to note that notice will commence on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 and end on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 (previously circulated)
- **16.** To note that with a turnover of under £25k, the Council now must adhere to the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities 2014 which requires more detailed information to be available on the web site. This list is not exhaustive:
  - Annually publish by 1<sup>st</sup> July all expenditure exceeding £100
  - Year-end financials
  - > Draft minutes and all associated papers
  - Annual Governance Statement with explanations of negative responses
  - A copy of the Internal Audit Report in the format included in the Annual Return with explanations of negative responses explained to the internal auditor.

#### 17. Meeting Schedule for 25/26

To agree the schedule of Parish Council Meetings for the remainder of the civic year and:

- The Annual Parish Meeting 2026
- The Annual Parish Council Meeting 2026

#### 18. Meeting Close

To close the meeting, take a 15-minute comfort break before commencement of an ordinary Parish Council Meeting advertised in accordance with schedule 12, para. 10(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

| D  | M  | YR   | STATEMENT  | CREDITOR | DEBTOR           | BUDGET CAT | DESCRIPTION     | PAYMENT       | GROSS DEBIT £ | NET DEBIT £ | VAT £ | CREDIT £ | INVOICE            | MINUTE REF    |
|----|----|------|------------|----------|------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------|----------|--------------------|---------------|
| 24 | 03 | 2025 | U 010/2025 |          | Tax Assist       | PAY        | Payroll         | DD            | 13.80         | 11.50       | 2.30  |          | 29304              | 2025.18.03.11 |
| 31 | 03 | 2025 | U 010/2025 |          | Clerk/RFO Salary | PAY        | Mar 2025 Salary | Bank Transfer | 316.63        | 316.63      |       |          | Payslip 31 03 2025 | 2025.18.03.11 |
| 31 | 03 | 2025 | U 010/2025 |          | Unity Bank       | BSC        | Service Charge  | Debit         | 6.00          | 6.00        | -     |          | U 009/2025         | 2025.18.03.11 |

| MONTH                    | 30.04.24   | 30.05.24   | 01.07.24   | 30.07.24   | 31.08.24   | 30.09.24          | 31.10.24          | 31.11.24   | 31.12.24          | 31.01.25   | 28.02.25          | 31.03.2025        |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| BANK STATEMENT BALANCE £ | 25,581.55  | 26,479.66  | 30,411.66  | 29,825.46  | 29,158.15  | 27,897.23         | 31,245.73         | 27,483.58  | 24,049.31         | 26,006.22  | 24,896.56         | 24,333.15         |
| UNPRESENTED CHEQUES      | -          | 280.00     | 991.02     | 192.00     | 639.55     | 151.54            | 5,282.75          | -          | -                 | 16.75      | -                 | <b>-</b>          |
| ADJUSTED BANK BALANCE £  | 25,581.55  | 26,199.66  | 29,420.64  | 29,633.46  | 28,518.60  | 27,745.69         | 25,962.98         | 27,483.58  | 24,049.31         | 25,989.47  | 24,896.56         | 24,333.15         |
| CASH BOOK £              | 25,581.55  | 26,199.66  | 29,420.64  | 29,633.46  | 28,518.60  | 27,745.69         | 25,962.98         | 27,483.58  | 24,049.31         | 25,989.97  | 24,896.56         | 24,333.15         |
|                          |            |            |            |            |            |                   |                   |            |                   |            |                   |                   |
| BANK STATEMENT           | S 005/2024 | S 006/2024 | S 007/2024 | S 008/2025 | S 009/2024 | <u>U 003/2024</u> | <u>U 005/2024</u> | U 006/2024 | <u>U 007/2024</u> | U 008/2025 | <u>U 009/2025</u> | <u>U 010/2025</u> |
|                          |            |            |            |            | S 010/2024 | U 004/2024        |                   |            |                   |            |                   |                   |

EXAMINED, CELTIFIED & VERIFIED BY CLERK/RFO KAREN SHORLOCK Valou Shawock 6/4/25.

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| D  | M  | YR   | VAT No.      | DEBTOR                             | DESCRIPTION                                     | VAT£     | INVOICE           |
|----|----|------|--------------|------------------------------------|---|----------|-------------------|
|    |    | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   |          | 01-440-2024       |
|    |    | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroli   |          | 25952             |
|    |    | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   |          | 01-440-2024       |
|    |    | 2024 | 423013062    |                                    |   |          |                   |
|    |    |      |              | Atkinson Cleaning Services Limited |   | 24.00    |                   |
|    |    | 2024 | 895296854    | X2 Connect Telecom Soloutions      | Recondition Telephone Box                       | 167.24   | 35937             |
|    |    | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   |          | 26248             |
|    |    | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   |          | 01-440-2024       |
|    |    | 2024 | 444863527    | Lanlee                             | Hammerite Black Metaql Paint and Padlock        |          | 437041            |
|    |    | 2024 | 444863527    | Lanlee                             | Ronseal wood stain & Teak Oil                   | 6.07     | 437649            |
|    |    | 2024 | 107831677    | Zurich PC Insurer                  | Insurance                                       |          | 532365503         |
|    |    | 2024 | 375233550    | Dewhurst Decorating Supplies       | 1 x 250ml Gold Metal Paint                      | 1.54     | 48966             |
|    |    | 2024 | 375233550    | Dewhurst Decorating Supplies       | Paint, Kettle & Sanding paper for Telephone Box | 11.50    | 48360             |
| 24 | 06 | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   | 4.60     | 26570             |
| 01 | 07 | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   | 6.86     | 01-440-2024       |
| 16 | 07 | 2024 | GB 226659933 | Currys                             | Printer   | 34.99    | 18702302          |
| 16 | 07 | 2024 | GB 226659933 | Currys                             | Printer Ink                                     | 9.15     | 18702301          |
| 22 | 07 | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   | 4.60     | 26855             |
| 25 | 07 | 2024 | 423013062    | Atkinson Cleaning Services Limited | Cleaning Kelbrook Playground- Deep clean        | 32.00    | 648               |
| 01 | 08 | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   | 8.62     | 01-440-2024       |
| 15 | 08 | 2024 | GB 805015277 | Vista Print                        | Stamp   | 5.92     | 0219928517        |
| 18 | 08 | 2024 | 772352428    | Willow Group                       | Livestock Notices_Phone Box Graphics            | 66.00    | 3039_3043         |
| 19 | 80 | 2024 | 375233550    | Dewhurst Decorating Supplies       | Decorating Supplies                             | 21.02    | 49860_50214_50155 |
| 22 | 08 | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   | 4.60     | 27134             |
| 03 | 09 | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   | 8.62     | 01-440-2024       |
| 23 | 09 | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   | 4.60     | 27438             |
| 01 | 10 | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   | 8.62     | 01-440-2024       |
| 16 | 10 | 2024 | GB 732917133 | Pendle Leisure Trust               | Free Swimming Service                           | 59.50    | 0000213555        |
| 16 | 10 | 2024 | 175332564    | Pendle Borough Council             | Annual Playground Inspections                   | 14.00    | 5145771           |
| 22 | 10 | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   | 4.60     | 27764             |
| 01 | 11 | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   | 8.62     | 01-440-2024       |
| 10 | 11 | 2024 | GB 440498250 | PKF Littlejohn                     | External Audit                                  | 42.00    | SB20241722        |
| 22 | 11 | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   | 4.60     | 28081             |
| 02 | 12 | 2024 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   |          | 01-440-2024       |
| 17 | 12 | 2024 | 213991308    | Stately Lighting                   | Xmas Tree Purchase, Installation, Removal       |          | 1099              |
| 23 | 12 | 2024 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   |          | 28391             |
| 02 | 01 | 2025 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   |          | 01-440 2025       |
| 15 | 01 | 2025 | 375233550    | Dewhurst Decorating Supplies       | 1 x 750ml Mahogany Stain                        |          | 51643             |
| 22 | 01 | 2025 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   |          | 28719             |
| 27 | 01 | 2025 | GB 623757528 | Greenbarnes Ltd                    | Notice Board Keys                               |          | 18832             |
| 27 | 01 | 2025 | 175332564    | Pendle Borough Council             | Weekly Playground Inspections                   |          | 5148195           |
| 03 | 02 | 2025 | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   |          | 01-440 2025       |
|    |    | 2025 | 444863527    | Lanlee                             | Green Treated Post and bolts                    |          | 445596            |
|    |    | 2025 | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   |          |                   |
| П  |    |      | 924 3099 24  | Easywebsites                       | Website   |          | 29014             |
| П  |    |      | 408549284    | Tax Assist                         | Payroll   |          | 01-440 2025       |
|    | 55 | _0_0 | .550 10204   | 1307 100101                        | 1 dyron   | ∠.30     | 29304             |
| П  |    |      |              |                                    | 01_04_2024 to 31_03_2025 Total £                | 1,489.51 |                   |
|    | _  |      |              | ·                                  | 2   | 1,700.01 |                   |

| ITEM                                     | CAT   | BUDGET £  | Actual £  | v Budget £ | Comments     | Apr-24 | May-24   | Jun-24 | Jul-24   | Aug-24 | Sep-24   | Oct-24 | Nov-24   | Dec-24   | Jan-25   | Feb-25   | Mar-25 |
|--|-------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
| Maintenance                              | MTN   | 5,460.00  | 1,734.87  | 3,725.13   | Under        | _      | 836.20   | 235.36 | 7.71     | 490.00 | -        | 105.12 | 4        |          | 17.74    | 42.74    | -      |
| Repair Bus Shelter Roof                  | MTN   | 500.00    | -         | 500.00     | Under        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Sough Park                               | PRK   | 5,199.00  | 5,198.75  | 0.25       | On budget    |        | -        | _      | -        | _      | -        | -      | 5,198.75 | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Kelbrook Weekly Playground Inspection    | PRK   | - 1       | 1,565.20  | - 1,565.20 | Not budgeted | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      |          | -        | 1,565.20 | -        | -      |
| Kelbrook Annual Playground Inspection    | PRK   | -         | 70.00     | - 70.00    | Not budgeted | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | 70.00    | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Payroll                                  | PAY   | 3,800.00  | 4,148.65  | - 348.65   | Over         | 548.37 | 571.85   | 26.00  | 1,143.68 | ~      | 816.53   | -      | -        | 408.96   | -        | 316.63   | 316.63 |
| HMRC                                     | PAY   | 750.00    | 1,128.71  | - 378.71   | Over         | 370.68 | 239.60   | -      | 273.00   | -      | -        | -      | -        |          | -        | 113.20   | 132.23 |
| Tax Assist                               | PAY   | 276.00    | 230.00    | 46.00      | Under        | 23.00  | 23.00    | 23.00  | 23.00    | 23.00  | 23.00    | 23.00  | 23.00    | 23.00    | -        | 11.50    | 11.50  |
| Internal Audit                           | AUD   | 465.00    | 465.00    |            | On budget    | -      | 465.00   | -      | -        |        | -        | -      | -        | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| External Audit                           | AUD   | 300.00    | 210.00    | 90.00      | Under        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | 210.00   | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Website                                  | WEB   | 516.00    | 481.88    | 34.12      | Under        | 34.29  | 34.29    | 34.29  | 34.29    | 43.09  | 43.09    | 43.09  | 43.09    | 43.09    | 43.09    | 43.09    | 43.09  |
| Insurance                                | INS   | 300.00    | 224.48    | 75.52      | Under        | -      | -        | 224.48 | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -        | -        | -        | 4      |
| Village Hall Rent                        | REN   | 176.00    | 110.00    | 66.00      | Under        | -      | 110.00   | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -        |          | -        | -      |
| Lock Up Rent                             | REN   |           | 320.00    | - 320.00   | Not budgeted | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | 320.00   | -      | -        | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Subscriptions to LALC & NALC             | SUB   | 300.00    | 205.24    | 94.76      | Under        | -      |          | -      | 205.24   | -      | -        | -      | -        | -        | -        | -        |        |
| Subscription for Office 365              | SUB   |           | 104.99    | - 104.99   | Not budgeted | -      |          | -      |          | -      | -        |        | -        | -        | -        | 104.99   |        |
| Subscription for ICO                     | SUB   |           | 47.00     | 47.00      | Not budgeted | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -        | -        | -        | 47.00  |
| Consumables                              | CON   | 100.00    | 221.97    | - 121.97   | Over         | -      | -        | -      | 161.08   | -      | 35.49    | 25.40  | -        | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Training                                 | TRA   | 200.00    | •         | 200.00     | Under        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | - 1    | -        | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Free Swimming                            | GRA   | 425.00    | 297.50    | 127.50     | Under        | -      |          | -      | -        | -      | -        | 297.50 | -        | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Kelbrook School Allotment                | GRA   | -         | 500.00    | - 500.00   | Not budgeted | -      | -        | -      | 500.00   | -      | 4        | -      | ,-       | -        | -        | -        | -      |
| Unity Bank Charges                       | BSC   | -         | 44.99     | 44.99      | Not budgeted | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | 9.59     | 5.40   | 6.00     | 6.00     | 6.00     | 6.00     | 6.00   |
| Printer                                  | CPX   |           | 209.98    | - 209.98   | Capex        | -      | -        | -      | 209.98   | -      | -        | -      | -        | -        | -        | ~        |        |
| Laptop                                   | CPX   | -         | 459.96    | - 459.96   | Capex        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -      | -        | -        | -        | 459.96   | -      |
| Xmas Tree Purchase, Installation, Remova | I XMS | -         | 2,450.00  | - 2,450.00 | Not budgeted |        |          |        |          |        | -        |        |          | 2,450.00 |          | -        |        |
| Total                                    |       | 18,767.00 | 20,429.17 | - 1,662.17 | Overspend    | 976.34 | 2,279.94 | 543.13 | 2,557.98 | 556.09 | 1,247.70 | 499.51 | 5,550.84 | 2,931.05 | 1,632.03 | 1,098.11 | 556.45 |

Precept 15,767.00 15,767.00 **Budget** From Reserves - 3,000.00 - 4,662.17 EXAMINED, CERTIFIED BY CLERK/RFO. Vasen Showbook 6/4/25
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