

Melbourn Parish Council
Maintenance Committee Report
Prepared by the Responsible Financial Officer (RFO)
Date: April 2026

1. Introduction

This report has been generated using the Rialtas Finance System and provides a comprehensive overview of the income and expenditure related to the maintenance of Melbourn Village for the period 01 April 2026 to 30 April 2026. This report also includes invoices received in May for a more up to date review. The aim is to support informed decision-making by the Maintenance Committee.

2. Report Overview

All financial data is categorised into cost centres that correspond to different areas of village and the maintenance required. Where applicable expenditures have been split into two categories:

- **Planned** (budgeted)
- **Unplanned** (non-budgeted/emergency or unforeseen)

This classification helps to better track how the Council's financial resources are being used and to identify areas requiring attention.

3. Overall Position

Maintenance income for the year to date totals £4,287 against a budget of £45,246 (9.5%). Total maintenance expenditure stands at £15,328 against a budget of £215,350 (7.1%), indicating that overall spending within this committee area currently remains with 1/12th of the annual budget.

Some variances are the result of timing differences between planned and unplanned maintenance works, together with the use of earmarked reserves to fund specific repairs and projects. I have yet to work through last years spend and bring forward the deferred expenditure.

4. Key Points.

- Stockbridge Meadows – This area was added to the village maintenance contract after the previous annual budget was approved, meaning associated costs were not originally budgeted and will need to be monitored.
- Tree and Hedge Works – Relates to Shires Trees work completed off the back of the tree survey. No more planned work for trees currently.
- Project work relates to strategic greenbelt at Hopkins Homes.
- Grounds Maintenance – includes an extra grass cut and verti drain work.
- Pavilion – Income remains non-existent with no current confirmed hire. While maintenance and utility costs continue. The Electricity bill is usually refunded but will need close monitoring.

5. Ongoing Improvements

As the Council continues to transition to more detailed financial reporting, the Parish Clerk and the RFO will work in closely to:

- Provide additional insights where needed,
- Flag any anticipated high-cost maintenance works,
- Ensure the Committee is fully informed to make sound financial decisions.

6. Conclusion

Overall, the maintenance budget remains within the Council's planned financial position, with higher costs in some areas being balanced by underspends elsewhere and by the appropriate use of earmarked reserves.

For any further clarifications or questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact the RFO directly.

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Melbourn Parish Council
April 2026

Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading 30/04/2026

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	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
<u>Maintenance</u>							
<u>110 Wardens</u>							
4000 Salaries & Pensions	1,640	20,317	18,677		18,677	8.1%	
4110 Insurance	0	717	717		717	0.0%	
4175 Subcontractors	0	3,000	3,000		3,000	0.0%	
4230 Van - Tax, MOT, Fuel, Repairs	0	1,000	1,000		1,000	0.0%	
4235 Wardens Materials	114	750	636		636	15.3%	
4240 Wardens Equipment	10	1,500	1,490		1,490	0.7%	
Wardens :- Indirect Expenditure	1,764	27,284	25,520	0	25,520	6.5%	0
Net Expenditure	(1,764)	(27,284)	(25,520)				
<u>210 Allotments</u>							
1200 Allotment Rent received	0	3,500	3,500			0.0%	
Allotments :- Income	0	3,500	3,500			0.0%	0
4115 Memberships & Subscription	0	73	73		73	0.0%	
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	0	895	895		895	0.0%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4430 Grounds Maintenance - Planned	0	1,120	1,120		1,120	0.0%	
4510 Water	0	800	800		800	0.0%	
Allotments :- Indirect Expenditure	0	3,388	3,388	0	3,388	0.0%	0
Net Income over Expenditure	0	112	112				
<u>220 Conservation</u>							
1210 Grass Cutting Contribution	0	3,939	3,939			0.0%	
Conservation :- Income	0	3,939	3,939			0.0%	0
4000 Salaries & Pensions	384	4,743	4,359		4,359	8.1%	
4175 Subcontractors	363	3,435	3,072		3,072	10.6%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4350 Christmas Tree/Plants	0	750	750		750	0.0%	
4360 Tree & Hedge Work - Planned	1,205	1,500	295		295	80.3%	
4365 Tree & Hedge Work - Unplanned	0	7,500	7,500		7,500	0.0%	
4370 Project work	1,000	2,000	1,000		1,000	50.0%	1,000
4410 Nature Reserve management plan	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4420 Grounds Maintenance - Unplanned	2,270	2,000	(270)		(270)	113.5%	
4605 Refuse & Dog Bin Collection	69	0	(69)		(69)	0.0%	
4635 Village Maintenance Contract	1,436	17,941	16,505		16,505	8.0%	
Conservation :- Indirect Expenditure	6,727	40,869	34,142	0	34,142	16.5%	1,000
Net Income over Expenditure	(6,727)	(36,930)	(30,203)				
6000 plus Transfer from EMR	1,000	0	(1,000)				

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Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(5,727)	(36,930)	(31,203)				
<u>230 Stockbridge Meadows</u>							
4235 Wardens Materials	0	300	300		300	0.0%	
4240 Wardens Equipment	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4420 Grounds Maintenance - Unplanned	0	1,000	1,000		1,000	0.0%	
4430 Grounds Maintenance - Planned	0	337	337		337	0.0%	
4605 Refuse & Dog Bin Collection	0	866	866		866	0.0%	
4635 Village Maintenance Contract	74	924	850		850	8.0%	
Stockbridge Meadows :- Indirect Expenditure	74	4,427	4,353	0	4,353	1.7%	0
Net Expenditure	(74)	(4,427)	(4,353)				
<u>250 Cemetery General</u>							
4635 Village Maintenance Contract	813	10,152	9,339		9,339	8.0%	
Cemetery General :- Indirect Expenditure	813	10,152	9,339	0	9,339	8.0%	0
Net Expenditure	(813)	(10,152)	(9,339)				
<u>260 Orchard Road Cemetery</u>							
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4500 Rates	27	367	340		340	7.3%	
4505 Electricity	(116)	250	366		366	(46.4%)	
4510 Water	0	125	125		125	0.0%	
Orchard Road Cemetery :- Indirect Expenditure	(89)	1,242	1,331	0	1,331	(7.2%)	0
Net Expenditure	89	(1,242)	(1,331)				
<u>270 New Road Cemetery</u>							
1300 Burial Fees	1,200	3,500	2,300			34.3%	
1305 Memorials Fees	100	1,000	900			10.0%	
1310 Internment Fees	645	1,000	355			64.5%	
New Road Cemetery :- Income	1,945	5,500	3,555			35.4%	0
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	0	492	492		492	0.0%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4500 Rates	89	1,125	1,036		1,036	7.9%	
4510 Water	0	150	150		150	0.0%	
New Road Cemetery :- Indirect Expenditure	89	2,267	2,178	0	2,178	3.9%	0
Net Income over Expenditure	1,856	3,233	1,377				

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300 Play Areas							
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	0	266	266		266	0.0%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	3,000	3,000		3,000	0.0%	
4605 Refuse & Dog Bin Collection	69	1,299	1,230		1,230	5.3%	
Play Areas :- Indirect Expenditure	69	4,565	4,496	0	4,496	1.5%	0
Net Expenditure	(69)	(4,565)	(4,496)				
310 Recreation Ground							
1400 Match Fees	0	3,350	3,350			0.0%	
1500 Hire of Recreation Grounds	0	750	750			0.0%	
Recreation Ground :- Income	0	4,100	4,100			0.0%	0
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	0	560	560		560	0.0%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4430 Grounds Maintenance - Planned	0	1,000	1,000		1,000	0.0%	
4505 Electricity	14	550	536		536	2.5%	
4605 Refuse & Dog Bin Collection	260	2,815	2,555		2,555	9.2%	
4635 Village Maintenance Contract	542	6,768	6,226		6,226	8.0%	
4640 Melbourn Dynamo's Power Pitch	0	1,970	1,970		1,970	0.0%	
Recreation Ground :- Indirect Expenditure	816	14,163	13,347	0	13,347	5.8%	0
Net Income over Expenditure	(816)	(10,063)	(9,247)				
320 Pavilion							
1550 Hire of Pavilion	0	100	100			0.0%	
Pavilion :- Income	0	100	100			0.0%	0
4125 Broadband & Telephone	16	184	168		168	8.6%	
4175 Subcontractors	123	1,799	1,677		1,677	6.8%	
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	486	1,768	1,283		1,283	27.5%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4500 Rates	268	2,701	2,433		2,433	9.9%	
4505 Electricity	1,327	2,600	1,273		1,273	51.0%	
4510 Water	0	750	750		750	0.0%	
4605 Refuse & Dog Bin Collection	0	478	478		478	0.0%	
Pavilion :- Indirect Expenditure	2,219	10,780	8,561	0	8,561	20.6%	0
Net Income over Expenditure	(2,219)	(10,680)	(8,461)				

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420 Community Hub							
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	345	5,114	4,769		4,769	6.8%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	10,000	10,000		10,000	0.0%	
4700 PWLB Interest	0	27,080	27,080		27,080	0.0%	
4705 PWLB Capital	0	5,874	5,874		5,874	0.0%	
4750 Service Charge-Hundred Houses	0	960	960		960	0.0%	
Community Hub :- Indirect Expenditure	345	49,028	48,683	0	48,683	0.7%	0
Net Expenditure	(345)	(49,028)	(48,683)				
510 Highways							
4900 Highways & Footpaths	0	12,500	12,500		12,500	0.0%	
4920 Street Lighting	56	1,250	1,194		1,194	4.5%	
Highways :- Indirect Expenditure	56	13,750	13,694	0	13,694	0.4%	0
Net Expenditure	(56)	(13,750)	(13,694)				
520 Little Hands							
1600 Property Rental Income	2,342	28,107	25,765			8.3%	
Little Hands :- Income	2,342	28,107	25,765			8.3%	0
4175 Subcontractors	0	1,828	1,828		1,828	0.0%	
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	0	1,175	1,175		1,175	0.0%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
Little Hands :- Indirect Expenditure	0	3,503	3,503	0	3,503	0.0%	0
Net Income over Expenditure	2,342	24,604	22,262				
530 Workshop							
4315 Maintenance & Reps - Planned	0	50	50		50	0.0%	
4320 Maintenance & Reps- Unplanned	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4500 Rates	893	13,246	12,353		12,353	6.7%	
4505 Electricity	301	2,600	2,299		2,299	11.6%	
4510 Water	0	250	250		250	0.0%	
4700 PWLB Interest	0	3,497	3,497		3,497	0.0%	
4705 PWLB Capital	0	9,789	9,789		9,789	0.0%	
Workshop :- Indirect Expenditure	1,194	29,932	28,738	0	28,738	4.0%	0
Net Expenditure	(1,194)	(29,932)	(28,738)				
Maintenance :- Income	4,287	45,246	40,959			9.5%	
Expenditure	14,078	215,350	201,272	0	201,272	6.5%	
Net Income over Expenditure	(9,791)	(170,104)	(160,313)				
plus Transfer from EMR	1,000	0	(1,000)				
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(8,791)	(170,104)	(161,313)				

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Grand Totals:- Income	4,287	45,246	40,959			9.5%	
Expenditure	14,078	215,350	201,272	0	201,272	6.5%	
Net Income over Expenditure	(9,791)	(170,104)	(160,313)				
plus Transfer from EMR	1,000	0	(1,000)				
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(8,791)	(170,104)	(161,313)				