

MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL
Financial Report 2025

Parish Councillors as of 31st March 2025

David Almond (Chairman)

Mark Price

Jane Horsnell

John Derry

Tim James

Ed Chambers (resigned November 2024)

Doug James

Ryan Bragg

Richard Edge

Richard Mather (co-opted January 2025)

Details of Public Land and Building Assets

The Council owns Moulton Playing Field and the Green.

Receipts and Payments for Year Ended 31 March 2025 with explanation of variances

	2023-24	2024-25	More than 15%	
Box 2 - precept	£35,043	£36,665	N	
Box 3 - other receipts	£24,862	£9,835	Y	Moulton Parish Council received a legacy payment of £20,000 from the late Tony Franklin in 2023/24.
Box 3 - other receipts	2024	2025		
West Suffolk Council locality funding	£0	£1,500	Y	For new VAS and replacement picnic bench
Suffolk County Council locality funding	£0	£1,125	Y	For new VAS
Playing field licences	£270	£395	Y	Amount varies depending on the number of residents or groups wishing to use the playing field.
Payment from resident.	£0	£1,236	Y	Request by a resident to move street light at own cost.
Printer fee from clerk's other councils to cover part of the cost of a new printer	£0	£110	Y	One off payment
Wayleave payment	£22	£22	N	Annual payment. No change.
Bank interest	£1,084	£1,412	Y	More interest received in 2024/25 as PC funds higher and £50,000 moved to a Cambridge Building Society account paying higher interest.
Contributions to village track maintenance	£0	£250	Y	Invoices for track maintenance not given out to

Legacy from the late Tony Franklin	£20,000	£0	Y	residents in 2023-24 as track had not been repaired.
Lloyds 'with apology' payment	£50	£0	Y	Legacy payment from the late Tony Franklin
VAT refund	£2,517	£2,835	Y	One off payment from Lloyds
Rent off road car park	£918	£950	N	Amount varies depending on what is purchased.
Refund test payment	£1	£0	Y	Amount increased annually by RPIx
	£24,862	£9,835		Test payment to clerk's new bank account
Box 6 - other payments				
Replacement tree for The Green	£0	£45	Y	
Refreshments for Community Speedwatch meeting.	£0	£87	Y	Initiative to try and recruit more CSW volunteers.
Tree watering bags	£0	£29	Y	One off payment
Keys for the Green and playing field	£0	£24	Y	One off payment - spare keys for the gates to the Green and the playing field.
Posts for The Green	£0	£445	Y	One off payment to try and stop unauthorised parking at the entrance to the Green.
Refund of cost of street light unit 31	£0	£1,236	Y	Request to move the street light was withdrawn by resident and the cost refunded.
Donation to Moulton Preschool	£1,000	£250	Y	Amounts paid were in response to requests for financial support.
PIR light	£0	£120	Y	To provide lighting at the parking area near St Peter's Church.
Coloured drawing of village sign	£0	£150	Y	Moulton Parish Council has agreed to fund a new village sign. This was the cost of the initial colour drawing.
Contribution towards running costs of Moulton Village Hall	£2,600	£2,600	N	Annual contribution to support the running of Moulton Village Hall. No change.
Clerk's expenses	£214	£157	Y	Amount varies depending on requirements.
Scribe subscription	£346	£346	N	No change
CPRE membership	£36	£36	N	No change
Donation Magpas	£100	£100	N	No change
Donation Our Special Friends	£100	£100	N	No change
SALC subscription	£389	£395	N	Annual increase
Replacement directional sign for Moulton Crossroads	£0	£538	Y	One off payment
Picnic benches for the playing field	£0	£1,135	Y	One off payment

Elan City - new speed indicator signs x 2	£0	£4,179	Y	One off payment
Dog fouling bags	£70	£74	N	Increase in cost of bags.
Planings for village green track	£0	£503	Y	One off payment
Fixing clamps for new speed indicator signs	£0	£54	Y	One off payment
External audit fees	£210	£315	Y	Income in 2023/24 exceeded threshold for lower audit fee due to legacy payment.
Phone costs	£42	£53	Y	Allocation of phone costs between clerk's 5 councils amended so that the larger councils pay a higher amount.
Insurance	£836	£898	N	Annual increase
Padlock and drill bit for new VAS	£0	£53	Y	One off payment
Defibrillator maintenance	£126	£126	N	No change
Painting bus shelter	£0	£190	Y	One off payment
Assessment of whether old VAS could be repaired by Westcotec	£0	£73	Y	One off payment
Painting slide on playing field	£0	£380	Y	One off payment
Pest control	£550	£550	N	No change
Payment to Suffolk County Council for bend warning signs and SLOW markings	£0	£873	Y	One off payment
New printer	£0	£169	Y	One off payment
Website hosting fee	£35	£35	N	No change
ICO data protection fee	£35	£35	N	No change
Fixing clamps for new speed indicator sign	£0	£29	Y	One off payment
Donation to West Suffolk Citizen's Advice	£0	£100	Y	One off donation.
Royal British Legion poppy wreath and donation	£0	£45	Y	No payment made in 2023/24.
Payment to parish archivist to cover expenses	£100	£100	N	No change
Elan City - new speed indicator sign	£0	£2,250	Y	One off payment
Posts for new speed indicator devices and installation of posts on the Green	£0	£1,363	Y	One off payment
Donation Suffolk Accident Rescue Service	£100	£100	N	No change
Street lighting	£1,847	£1,770	N	Cost in 2024/25 reflects lower electricity costs.
Grass cutting	£3,735	£4,512	Y	Number of cuts varies depending on growing season.
Churchyard maintenance	£1,250	£1,500	N	Increase agreed in 2024/5 budget
Donation Newmarket Day Centre	£200	£200	N	No change
Riverbank strimming	£410	£668	N	Number of cuts varies depending on growing

Weed control	£0	£30	Y	season. One off payment
Village events	£98	£253	Y	Insurance for village event. Amount quoted by insurer.
Internal audit	£70	£75	N	Annual increase
Tree survey	£0	£325	Y	Tree survey carried out every two years
VAT	£2,835	£3,972	Y	Amount varies depending on expenditure
Playing field maintenance - repairs to play equipment	£0	£2,185	Y	One off payment
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Packhorse fencing diesel for work to repair track round the Green	£0	£30	Y	One off purchase
Stationery	£76	£0	Y	Stationery costs reduced as expensive print cartridges no longer required following purchase of new eco printer.
Councillor training and travel	£38	£0	Y	Amount varies depending on training
Election costs	£82	£0	Y	No elections in 2024/5
Playground inspections	£207	£0	Y	Carried out monthly by West Suffolk Council. New contractor being sought to carry out regular visual inspections
Advanced Give Way sign	£316	£0	Y	One off purchase
Speed survey	£125	£0	Y	1/3 of cost of a speed survey
Legal advice for Housing Needs Survey	£300	£0	Y	One off payment
Test payment (clerk's new account)	£1	£0	Y	One off payment
Printing costs Housing Needs Survey	£210	£0	Y	One off payment
Donation to the Voluntary Network	£100	£0	Y	One off payment
Signs for playing field	£69	£0	Y	One off payment
Donation to Headway Suffolk	£100	£0	Y	One off payment
Lockdown wheelie bin for car park near Moulton Primary School	£290	£0	Y	One off purchase
Housing Needs Survey	£2,619	£0	Y	One off payment
Battery charger and cable for VAS	£131	£0	Y	One off purchase
Village gateways	£5,202	£0	Y	One off purchase
Chevrons for new planters	£307	£0	Y	One off purchase
Soil and plants for new planters	£100	£0	Y	One off purchase

Reflective tape for new planters	£23	£0	Y	One off purchase
Highways works	£1,015	£0	Y	Installation of village gateways and road signs
Repairs to slide on playing field	£175	£0	Y	One off payment
Playing field maintenance - repairs to play equipment	£310	£0	Y	One off payment
	£29,129	£37,902		

Box 9 - fixed assets	2023-24	2024-25
Asset value	£113,908	£119,996
Plus assets purchased in 2024-25		
2 x recycled plastic benches	£1,070	
3 x Evolis speed signs with solar panels	£6,750	
1 x printer.	£169	
Additional recycled plastic posts for The Green.	£445	
Directional sign for Moulton Crossroads	£538	
PIR light for near St Peter's Church.	£120	
Less assets disposed of in 2024/25		
Westcotec battery speed sign	£2,262	
2 x picnic benches	£742	
Asset value in 2024 - 25	£119,996	

Year-end bank reconciliation

Bank balances as of 31/03/24	£101,606.22
Plus receipts	£46,499.89
Less payments	£50,747.06
Balance as of 31/03/25	£97,359.05
Current account balance as of 31/03/25	£2,786.96
Lloyds reserve account balance as of 31/03/25	£44,196.08
Cambridge Building Society	£50,376.01
Balance as of 31/03/25	£97,359.05