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9.1 Earmarked Reserves 2026/2027

Dear Council

Please find set out below the proposed earmarked reserves for the 2026/2027 financial year, together with the supporting rationale for each allocation:

- **Phase 2 Play Area – £52,409.00**
This allocation has been formally approved as part of the agreed budget and is to be retained to support the delivery of the second phase of the play area project. Six pieces of equipment have already been approved in principle.
 - **Election Costs – £16,000.00**
This sum has been included in the approved budget to meet the potential costs of any by-elections.
 - **Brealey's Solicitors – £500.00**
This represents an outstanding invoice in relation to the licence agreement with Drighlington Community Library. Provision has been made within general funds to meet this liability.
 - **Leeds City Council – £450.00**
This amount relates to the costs incurred for the installation and subsequent removal of a damaged picnic bench. Provision has been made within general funds to meet this liability.
 - **DSA Gardening – £530.00**
This is the remaining balance payable for the supply and planting of cherry trees, to be settled upon completion of the works. Provision has been made within general funds.
 - **Leeds City Council – £2,965.62**
This sum represents the Parish Council's contribution towards the bottle bank provision for the 2023 period. This payment was not anticipated when the budget for 2026/2027 was being finalised. This payment will be met from either contingency/general funds.

Total Earmarked Reserves: £72,854.62

Members are asked to review and consider the above proposed allocations.

Kind regards,

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Proper Officer to Drighlington Parish Council