

HONEYBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

held at Honeybourne Village Hall, Harvest Close, Honeybourne WR11 7RH
on Tuesday 14th July 2026 at 7:15pm

Members present: Cllrs H Jobes (Chair), B Dubb (Vice-Chair), A Attridge, C Clear, G Clelland, A Mathias, J Mellor and S Walsh

In attendance: Parish Clerk, Linda Stanton
County/District Cllr H Robson (arrive 7:30 pm – departed 8:00pm)
2 members of public

Prior to the meeting, National Gas gave a presentation on the West Import Resilience project at 6:30pm.

26/751 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from the following members:

Councillor	Reason
S Sidwell	Personal

26/752 Declarations of Interest

Councillors were reminded that to ensure transparency and retain public confidence in the council's decisions they are required to —

- a) Keep their Register of Interests form up to date;
- b) Declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and any Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) in agenda items and the nature of those interests.

The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllr	Item	Interest
H Jobes	26/759 (a) – Schedule of payments: Payment to HAGA	DPI – plot holder
H Jobes	26/766- Matters relating to the management of the allotment site	DPI – plot holder
B Dubb	26/759 (a) – Schedule of payments: Payment to HAGA	DPI – plot holder
B Dubb	26/766- Matters relating to the management of the allotment site	DPI – plot holder
G Clelland	26/759(a) – Schedule of payments: payment to Limebridge Rural Services	ODI – personal friend
G Clelland	26/759(c) – Quotation to replace oak gate post at St Ecgwins church, Honeybourne	ODI- personal friend
J Mellor	26/759 (a) – Schedule of payments: Payment to HAGA	DPI – plot holder
J Mellor	26/766- Matters relating to the management of the allotment site	DPI – plot holder

26/753 To consider any dispensations

There were no requests for dispensation.

26/754 Open Session

- a) Members of the Public.

- i. Under Open Session, Cllr Attridge asked whether any issues had arisen since the Council established the allotment management arrangements. Cllrs Jobes and Dubb responded briefly. It was noted that both Cllr Jobes and Cllr Dubb had each declared a disclosable pecuniary interest as allotment plot holders, and that both would take no further part in the discussion of, or vote on, allotment management matters later in the meeting (Minute 26/766).
- b) Supporting organisations, e.g. South Worcestershire Policing Team.
None present.
- c) Worcestershire County Councillor — H Robson
Cllr Robson arrived at 7:30 pm, after the meeting had started. She gave a report on planning matters and casework she had been dealing with, and confirmed she had also emailed a written report to the Clerk for circulation to members. **(Appendix 1 page 670)**
A question was raised by Cllr Clelland to Cllr Robson regarding party political matters.
Cllr Clear raised concerns regarding the standard of recent footway resurfacing works on Dudley Road, reporting visible cracking, and asked that Cllr Robson arrange for County Highways to inspect the works.
- d) District Councillors — Cllrs J Ciotti & H Robson
Cllr Ciotti was not present but had submitted a written report in advance, which had been circulated to Councillors. **(Appendix 2 page 670)**
Cllr Robson had no further update to add in her capacity as District Councillor.

26/755 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 9th June 2026 were presented for adoption.

Resolved:

That the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 9th June 2026 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

26/756 Chairman's Report (for information only)

The Chairman gave a verbal update on the Call for Sites process, including how sites are being identified and the next steps ahead of the Steering Group meeting on 16th July 2026 **(Appendix 3 pages 671 -672)**.

Noted:

That the Chairman's report be noted

26/757 Parish Clerk's Report (for information only)

The Clerk presented her report. Members noted the updates on ongoing matters as follows:

Item	Subject	Update
a)	Wychavon District Council — Section 62A Designation	Wychavon District Council became subject to Section 62A designation (Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004) with effect from 15th June 2026, following a planning appeal overturn rate exceeding the threshold set by Government. The Clerk emailed councillors and NDP Review Steering Group members setting out the implications for Honeybourne, drawing on advice from the Planning Consultant.
b)	Neighbourhood Development Plan Review — Call for Sites Methodology	The Planning Consultant is progressing the Call for Sites Methodology document, taking into account feedback received from Wychavon District Council's Neighbourhood Team. The Steering Group will consider the document further at its meeting of 16th July 2026, under delegated authority approved by Full Council on 9th June 2026.
c)	OS Mapping Licence	Following the discovery that the Council's Ordnance Survey mapping licence had lapsed and remained registered in the name of a previous Clerk, this has now been fully resolved. The Council's Public Sector Geospatial Agreement (PSGA) has been re-registered with the Clerk as

		Principal Contact, and access to OS Data Hub mapping has been restored. There is no cost to the Council associated with this licence, as PSGA membership is provided centrally for local authorities.
d)	Allotment Vacancies — Neighbouring Parish Councils	The Clerk has contacted neighbouring Parish Councils to advise that Honeybourne has vacant allotment plots available, and has asked that any enquiries be passed on in the event their own allotment sites are fully occupied.
e)	Resident Noise Complaint	A resident raised concerns regarding excessive vehicle noise during night hours. The Clerk advised that the Parish Council has no enforcement powers over vehicle noise on the public highway, and signposted the resident to West Mercia Police (101 or online reporting), including information about the Safer Neighbourhood Team's recent presence in the village for residents to raise concerns directly.
f)	Member of the Public Enquiry — Historic Post Office Location	Received and responded to an enquiry from a member of the public regarding the historic location of the village post office, referenced on their birth certificate.
g)	Honeybourne Village Fete — 18th July 2026	Insurance, risk assessment, and temporary event licence documentation have been received from the organiser for the Village Fete, taking place on 18th July 2026 from 11am to 3pm. The Road Closure Order remains outstanding and is being followed up with the organiser. Councillors are welcome to attend in support of this community event.

Cllr Clear asked about the resident noise complaint referred to at item (e). The Clerk confirmed that the matter had been signposted to the resident to report directly to West Mercia Police, and that this was not a matter within the Council's powers to investigate or resolve.

Noted:

That the Clerk's Report be noted.

26/758 Correspondence and Circulations Received

Item	Correspondent	Summary
a)	Wychavon District Council — Member Conduct Committee	Social Media Guidance for Councillors circulated to all Town and Parish Councillors, covering the Code of Conduct, defamation, data protection, and safe use of social media accounts.
b)	West Mercia Police	Monthly Fraud Bulletin — June 2026, circulated to members for information.
c)	Wychavon District Council (Engagement Officer)	Notification of a Parish and Town Council event on Thursday 24th September 2026, 6-8pm at The Civic Centre, Pershore, covering updates on Local Government Reorganisation and a range of environment-based funding opportunities, including the Local Nature Recovery Strategy, Natural Networks grant, Community Building Energy Resilience grant, and active travel funding. Further details, including the programme and booking arrangements, to follow in due course.

Noted:

That the correspondence be noted.

26/759 Finance

a) Schedule of Payments — July 2026

The Clerk presented the schedule of payments for July 2026.

Invoice no	Payment Method	Supplier	Description	Net £	VAT £	Gross £
808867191	Direct Debit	British Gas	Pavilion power and heating	68.57	3.42	71.99
M011 GN	BACS	British Telecom	Regular charge (1st–30th June 2026)	36.95	7.39	44.34
INV12740936	Direct Debit	Water Plus	Pavilion water	16.71	—	16.71

486300777	Direct Debit	Lloyds Bank	Accounts Maintenance Fee — Community Account xxxxx608 (10th Apr–9th May 2026)	6.35	—	6.35
IVO04532545	Direct Debit	SSE Energy Solution	Unmetered footway lighting	100.76	20.15	120.91
June	BACS	J Hyde	Handyman work	214.48	—	214.48
June	BACS	J Hyde	Lengthsman work	192.85	—	192.85
SI-10805	BACS	Security 4 Systems	Monthly IT Support	77.50	—	77.50
Tax month 4	BACS	Worcestershire Pension	Pension	788.72	—	788.72
Tax month 4	BACS	Staff salary	Staff salary	2,371.29	—	2,371.29
—	BACS	Staff Mileage Claim	2nd March–23rd June 2026 — 773.4 miles	348.03	—	348.03
3828	BACS	Limebridge Rural Services	Grounds maintenance; mowing of allotment	1,570.00	314.00	1,884.00
SIN157054/05	BACS	Fairview Trading	Handyman work — treated timber, lock, woodscrews & welded link chain	40.01	8.00	48.01
SI-466	BACS	Andrea Pellegram Ltd	NDP Review — May & June: site allocation method, meeting, emails, calls	2,440.00	488.00	2,928.00
26001	BACS	Aries Entertainment	Christmas event — 4th Dec 2026: ride and entertainer for children	1,650.00	330.00	1,980.00
—	BACS	HAGA	Allotment subscriptions — plots 211 & 405	15.00	—	15.00
203-8080091-422590	BACS	Trevor Askew	Reimbursement — Makita 1984-9 replacement plastic blades for PROW	19.99	—	19.99
Clp0432386	BACS	Wychavon District Council	Annual charge for emptying 4 bins — The Leys, Brickwalk & crossroad by Gate Inn, Station Road (twice weekly)	400.48	80.10	480.58
Pre-paid Debit card						
Invoice/Receipt No	Date	Supplier	Description	Net £	VAT £	Gross £
IEN202603363125-94	26th June 2026	Adobe Systems	Software subscription	16.64	3.33	19.97
344221982026-07-05	4th July 2026	Lebara	Mobile phone	4.17	0.83	5.00
Resolved:						
That the payments listed in the schedule of payments for July to be approved. (4 For and Abstention 4)						

Cllrs H Jobses, B Dubb, G Clelland and J Mellor having declared a disclosable interest, took no part in the discussion and abstained from the vote.

b) Bank Reconciliation — June 2026

Bank Reconciliation at 30/06/2026		
Cash in Hand 01/04/2026		117,618.46
ADD		
Receipts 01/04/2026 – 30/06/2026		104,187.46
		221,805.92
SUBTRACT		
Payments 01/04/2026 – 30/06/2026		80,056.15
Cash in Hand 30/06/2026 (per Cash Book) A		141,749.77
Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
Petty Cash 30/06/2026	0.00	

Lloyds Business Bank Instant 30/06/2026	135,434.23	
Lloyds Treasurers Account 30/06/2026	6,000.30	
Prepaid Debit Card Equals 30/06/2026	315.24	141,749.77
Less unrepresented payments		
Plus unrepresented receipts		
Adjusted Bank Balance B		141,749.77
A = B Checks out OK		
Resolved: That the bank reconciliation for June 2026 be approved		

c) Budget Monitoring — 2026/27

Noted:

That the current budget monitoring position against the approved 2026/27 budget be noted.

d) For Noting — VAT Reclaim (Form VAT126)

Noted:

That the quarterly VAT reclaim of £10,138.40 for the period 1st April to 30th June 2026 be noted.

e) For Noting — SSE Energy Solutions Refund

Noted:

That the SSE Energy Solutions refund of £3,240.44, covering the period 1st August 2025 to 30th April 2026, arising from correction of an inventory discrepancy, be noted.

f) Delegated Authority — August 2026 Recess

Resolved:

That the Clerk be given delegated authority to progress all ongoing matters and projects, authorise all regular payments, and incur expenditure in line with the Council's agreed budget during August 2026, in consultation with the Chairman on any major issues, with a record reported to members in September 2026.

g) Business Plan — For Noting

Cllr Dubb requested that the Business Plan be amended to make clear the Council's responsibility for the maintenance and administration of the cemetery, followed by reference to the June 2026 capacity survey. The Clerk confirmed the document will be amended accordingly.

Noted:

That the Business Plan, consolidating the Forward Plan/Action Plan and the Three-Year Financial Forecast and 2026/27 Budget, be noted, subject to the amendment above.

h) Churchyard Gates — Oak Post Replacement

The Clerk explained that the churchyard gates at St Ecgwins had been dragging on the ground for some time, making them difficult to open and close, and that although the gates had been temporarily raised using washers, the posts had rotted and required replacement. The Clerk advised that the contractor had confirmed that the existing posts would need to be dug out and new posts installed to allow the gates to be re-hung at a higher level clear of the ground, and that this involved a greater amount of labour due to the depth of excavation required.

Cllr Clelland, having earlier declared an interest, took no part in the vote.

Resolved:

That the quotation of £885.00 plus VAT for the replacement of the oak posts at the churchyard gates, St Ecgwins Churchyard, to include all materials and labour, be approved. (7 For, 1 Abstention)

26/760 Committee and Working Group Reports

a) NDP Review Steering Group — Minutes of 2nd June 2026

Noted:

That the minutes of the NDP Review Steering Group meeting of 2nd June 2026 be noted.

26/761 Neighbourhood Development Plan Review

Members considered the Background Document for the Neighbourhood Development Plan Review, circulated to Councillors in advance with comments invited by 3rd July 2026.

Resolved:

That the Background Document for the Neighbourhood Development Plan Review be approved.

26/762 Governance — Readoption of Policies

Members considered the readoption of the following policies, circulated on 3rd July 2026 for advance reading, the Clerk confirming all had been reviewed with no legislative changes affecting content and the only amendment being a standardised header:

I. Dignity at Work Policy II. Disciplinary Policy and Procedure III. Equality and Diversity Policy IV. Grievance Policy and Procedure V. Homeworking Policy VI. HPC Vexatious Policy VII. IT Policy VIII. Lone Working Policy IX. Member/Officer Protocol X. Social Media Policy

Resolved:

That the above policies be readopted as a group.

26/763 Environment and Community Wellbeing

For Noting — Members noted the Clerk and Handyman's survey of vacant areas within the cemetery, indicating capacity as of June 2026 for at least 250 burial plots and 120 ashes plots, with further areas remaining available.

Noted:

That the cemetery capacity survey be noted.

26/764 South Warwickshire Local Plan — Regulation 19 Consultation

Members considered the proposed representation to the South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP) Regulation 19 Publication consultation, together with the Supplementary Note, regarding cross-boundary highway impacts on roads towards Honeybourne arising from the Long Marston Airfield and Bidford-on-Avon developments. Members noted that the consultation period had now been confirmed as Tuesday 21st July to Tuesday 8th September 2026.

It was agreed that Councillors would review the report and Supplementary Note and notify the Clerk of any proposed amendments by 21st July 2026. In the absence of any comments received by that date, the Clerk would proceed to submit the representation as presented, under the delegated authority previously agreed.

Resolved:

That the proposed representation to the South Warwickshire Local Plan Regulation 19 Publication consultation, and the Supplementary Note, be approved for submission once the consultation opens, subject to any final amendments notified to the Clerk by Councillors by 21st July 2026; and that the delegated authority to the Clerk and Chairman extends to submission of the representation as amended, without need to await the 8th September 2026 Full Council meeting.

26/765 Planning**a) Members to respond to planning applications**

No applications currently required a Council response.

b) For Noting — Planning Decisions

WDC Ref	Site Address	Proposal	Decision
W/26/01259/DEM	Land at OS 1026 4295, Gloster Ades Road,	Prior Approval for demolition of five buildings	Not a refusal, and not a grant of permission as such — Wychavon decided no conditions were needed on the

	Honeybourne (Honeybourne Airfield)		method of demolition or site restoration, so the work may proceed as permitted development
W/26/00457/HP	Baylis Hill, Stratford Road, Honeybourne	Replacement outbuilding forming garage with room above for ancillary use	Approved 24th June 2026, subject to conditions
W/25/01046/LB	Ashwins Farm, 29 School Street, Honeybourne	Various external works incl. replacement roof coverings and windows	Listed Building Consent approved 30th June 2026, subject to conditions
Noted: That the planning decisions be noted.			

26/766 Exclusion of Press and Public

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1(2), it was proposed that the public and press be excluded from the meeting to allow for discussion of confidential matters relating to items for which publication would be prejudicial to the public interest.

Resolved:

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item.

The member of the public left the meeting at 7:55pm prior to the commencement of the confidential session. Cllrs Jobes, Cllr Dubb and Mellor declared a disclosable pecuniary interest as allotment plot holders and withdrew from the meeting for the duration of this item and for the remainder of the meeting. Cllr Attridge took the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

i) Allotment site management — Members considered a confidential matter relating to the management of the allotment site and gave the Clerk direction.

26/767 Items for Next Meeting

Members were reminded to notify the Clerk of items for discussion at the next council meeting by 15th August 2026.

26/768 Date and Venue of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 8th September 2026 at 7:15pm at Honeybourne Village Hall, Harvest Close, Honeybourne (the Council does not meet in August due to summer recess).

Meeting concluded at 8:30pm

Signed: H M Jobes 09/09/2026
 H M Jobes (Sep 9, 2026 21:21:15 GMT+1) Date:
 Chairman, Honeybourne Parish Council

Council Members:

H Jobes (Chairman), B Dubb (Vice-Chair), A Attridge, C Clear, G Clelland, A Mathias,
 J Mellor, S Sidwell and S Walsh

Appendix 1

County Cllr H Robson report July 2026 Monthly Parish Council Report

This month I have been dealing with a lot of casework that include planning issues and enforcement cases, highway concerns relating to road surfaces, potholes and change to speed limits, along with housing problems. Meeting developers and concerned residents, checking in on long running issues with council officers and discussing new issues with both residents and officers.

I have also visited Littletons tennis & pickleball club to celebrate the opening of their improved pickleball courts and to view their new kit that was purchased with divisional fund money.

Visited Cleeve Prior Strawberry Teas afternoon event run by the church, Offenham Wake and met with the local neighbourhood police team

Formal council meetings included Hereford & Worcester annual fire authority meeting, Wychavon planning committee, Wychavon full council, Worcestershire Standards & ethics panel

County Divisional fund so far has been allocated to Honeybourne Village Hall, Honeybourne allotments association and Vale Landscape heritage trust, with pending applications for Pebworth Parish Council and Freedom Day Centre. There is still plenty of time and fund available for other community projects please email me.

Appendix 2

District Cllr J Ciotti Report July 2026 Report to Parish Councils from Wychavon District Councillors

First phase of £5 million Wychavon Support Fund: supporting

- Wellness
- Business
- Families
- Communities

Details will follow over the next few weeks but the headlines are: Free swimming for under 16s and over 60s. Free learn to swim for all. Worcester on Demand service reduced fares. Free parking 1 hour in Town centres. Extra help for families facing financial hardship who are not currently on benefits. Speech and language help for children. New Ward budgets for small scale community projects.

- Government Crisis and Resilience Fund: this will replace the Household Support Fund and will be led by Worcestershire County Council.
- Pershore Charity Shop Trail: to encourage the public to support these charities by visiting the shops, also to increase sustainable consumption, supported by Wychavon.
- Women's Homelessness: Wychavon is supporting the Women's Rough Sleeping Census with the aim of improving our understanding of women's experiences of rough sleeping and hidden homelessness across the District. Please share this information with any relevant organisations that you know of. There will be an online drop-in in September. www.womensaid.org/womens-rough-sleeping-census/
- Hampton Bridge: this long awaited project is progressing in line with the programme and the piling will soon be completed on both sides of the river. When the bridge spans are lifted into place the river will be temporarily closed by agreement with the Avon Navigation Trust. There will be drone footage online but visits to the site for councillors and schools can also be arranged. Contact rebecca.harrison@wychavon.gov.uk
- Kings Birthday 2027 Honours Round: Nominations to be submitted as early as possible before September 11th 2026.

Many District Council activities including Committee Meetings that are not essential are paused for the month of August. This also applies to Parish Councils so best wishes for the summer break

and I look forward to serving you again in September.

Appendix 3

Call for Sites — How the Process Works

Key points

- The Neighbourhood Plan Review requires a Call for Sites. Full Council approved this process and the Selection Methodology on 9 June 2026 (minute 26/745(c)), and delegated authority to the NDP Review Steering Group to approve the final Call for Sites documents at its meeting on 16 July.
- As a first step, the planning consultant (Nick Pellegram, Andrea Pellegram Ltd) has used Land Registry data, a standard, public source, to identify a pool of sites likely to pass the initial 'Stage 1' sift of the agreed methodology.
- Being on this list is not an invitation and does not mean a site is suitable or will be allocated. It only means the site is not ruled out at the earliest stage. Any qualifying parcel in the parish could appear.
- This applies equally to everyone, including councillors. No landowner, including any councillor, has been contacted or asked in advance whether they want their land included.
- Landowners identified are not "chosen" by the Steering Group. Everyone identified receives the same notification letter, inviting them to make a formal submission if they wish. The Steering Group's actual decision-making (choosing preferred sites) happens much later, only once real submissions have been assessed.
- Councillors are reminded, as always, to declare any interest in land that may fall within the Call for Sites pool, and to withdraw from the relevant discussion and decision. This applies equally to the Steering Group's non-councillor members.

Background: how we got here

On 9 June 2026 (minute 26/745(c)), Full Council:

- Approved the Call for Sites Methodology;
- Authorised the Planning Consultant to proceed with the Call for Sites consultation;
- Delegated authority to the NDP Review Steering Group to consider and approve the Call for Sites document (methodology, landowner letter, website text, and consultation dates) at its meeting on 16 July 2026;
- Further delegated authority to the Clerk, in consultation with the Steering Group Chair, to publish the approved document and take further steps within the approved methodology and budget;
- Agreed that the exercise of this delegated authority will be reported back to Full Council for ratification in September 2026.

How the Call for Sites process works, step by step

- Identification: The consultant uses Land Registry data to identify a pool of sites likely to pass the initial sift (Stage 1) of the agreed methodology. This is what is happening now.
- Notification: Everyone identified is sent the same landowner notification letter, inviting them to formally submit their site for consideration if they wish. No one is asked in advance, and no one is excluded from this step.
- Formal submission and detailed assessment (Stage 2): Landowners who choose to respond submit further information. Each submitted site is then assessed in detail against planning, environmental, landscape and deliverability criteria.
- Steering Group review (Stage 3): The Steering Group considers the assessed sites and identifies preferred options to take forward. This is the first point at which the Steering Group is actually choosing anything.
- Community consultation (Stage 4): The preferred options are consulted on publicly.
- Final selection (Stage 5): The Steering Group considers consultation feedback and identifies the preferred allocation site(s), with reasons documented. This feeds into the draft Neighbourhood Plan, which is itself later subject to formal Regulation 14 consultation before submission to Wychavon District Council.

• Why is Honeybourne carrying out its own Call for Sites?

- At the recent Wychavon Area AGM, Andy Ford (Wychavon District Council's Neighbourhood Plan officer) advised that parish and town councils preparing or reviewing a Neighbourhood Plan are encouraged to allocate housing sites themselves, rather than leave this to the District.
- Wychavon works jointly with Malvern Hills District Council and Worcester City Council as 'the South Worcestershire Councils'. These three councils adopted a new Local Plan, the South Worcestershire Development Plan Review 2021–2041, on 26 March 2026. The same three councils have also just begun work on a further, later Local Plan (the South Worcestershire Local Plan, or SWLP), though this is at a very early stage, with no concrete proposals expected before late 2027/early 2028.
- If asked why Honeybourne needs to allocate its own sites when the District is already doing so elsewhere, two points may help:
- Protection from speculative development: if our Neighbourhood Plan does not itself allocate suitable sites to meet any future housing requirement, it is more vulnerable to speculative planning applications on sites the community has not chosen. Choosing our own sites through a robust, evidence-led process gives the Parish Council more control over where development goes, rather than leaving this to appeals.
- Government housing pressure: the Government has a national target to build 1.5 million new homes over this Parliament, and reinstated mandatory local housing targets through the December 2024 NPPF. The Call for Sites is part of building the evidence base for Honeybourne to respond to this.

There are two main reasons why Honeybourne is choosing to allocate its own sites, even though the District is already doing so elsewhere:

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For context, Wychavon has confirmed Honeybourne's current housing requirement is zero. However, the new Local Plan process is expected to reassess housing need in due course, and preparing our own evidence base now means the Neighbourhood Plan is ready to respond on our own terms rather than reacting under pressure later.

Timing

The Steering Group meets on 16 July 2026 to review and, if content, approve the methodology, landowner letter, website text and consultation dates. Only after that meeting, and once any amendments arising from it have been made, will the Planning Consultant issue the landowner notification letters and open the public Call for Sites consultation.

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Final Audit Report

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