



The Annual Parish Meeting of Cavendish Parish Council took place on Saturday 30th May 2026 in the Cavendish Memorial Hall at 6.30pm. The Community Fair event then followed at 7pm.

Councillors present: Nick Vosper (Chair), Annette Williamott, Ted Gittins and Ed Stevens.

Also present: Kay Garner (Clerk/RFO) and 20 members of the public.

1. Introduction

Nick Vosper (Chair) welcomed everyone and thanked all the organisations that had attended ready for the Community Fair that would commence after the meeting.

2. Acceptance of apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Councillor Nicky Welch and accepted.

3. Approval of minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Saturday 30th May 2025.

It was resolved that the minutes were correct. Nick Vosper (Chair) signed them.

4. County/District Councillors' reports

None received.

5. Clubs and Societies Reports (Written and available at Community Fair)

Attending Organisations with Reports Attached:

Astronomical Society
Horticultural Society
Bell Ringers
Cavendish Care
Cavendish Community Association
Cavendish Community Orchard
Cavendish Koalas
Cavendish Magazine
Cavendish Pre-School
Illuminators

Non-Attending Organisations – Report Submitted and Attached:

Sports Club
Bowls Club

6. Chair Report

Nick Vosper reported that it has been an interesting and, at times, challenging year for the Council as we have dealt with a number of contentious issues affecting our community, including the proposed Solar Farm and the Children's Home.

With regards to in addressing local housing needs progress continues to be made. The Council is also currently has two councillor vacancies. One of these due to the retirement of Malcolm Halliday.

7. Financial Report

The Clerk/RFO (Kay Garner) supplied a report of the previous financial year.
(Attached)



8. Any other village issues raised by residents (Residents are any persons registered as local government electors for the Parish)

- Replacement Play Area. An update was requested.

£5,000 grant has been secured, alongside a £5,000 contribution from the Council. In addition, a further £10,000 grant has been obtained, subject to the remaining funding being secured, towards the total project cost of £50,000. The Council continues to actively explore further grant opportunities and other funding sources to help deliver this valued community facility

- Waver Pond. Fountain is blocked.

The Council is aware that the fountain is currently blocked, and Councillor Ed Stevens is scheduled to clear this in due course

- Lorry Restrictions. An update was requested.

Unfortunately, there has been little progress to report, primarily due to Essex County Council not participating in the proposed scheme. As Suffolk County Council currently holds approximately £3,000 of Parish Council funds allocated towards this project, the Council will continue to monitor the situation closely. Should it become clear that the scheme is unlikely to progress, steps will be taken to reclaim these funds

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.45pm.

Signed:

(Chair) Dated:



Cavendish & District Horticultural Society
Report for Cavendish Annual Parish Meeting 30 May 2026

2025 has been a successful year for the horticultural society, one in which we have attracted a few new members and visitors to our monthly meetings. We have also managed to persuade new committee members, bringing new ideas and energy to keep the society alive.

Our monthly meetings began in April with Trevor Jennis McDermott, one of our members, talking to us about his career in garden photography and his horticultural business. It was a fascinating talk and got the year off to a great start. There followed a series of other interesting speakers including our old friend Dr Ian Bedford who spoke about beneficial bugs in the garden and Jade Coffey from Perrywood who shared with us the dos and don'ts and house plant care. The year ended with a talk and demonstration from Greg Veness of 'The Front Gardeners' and a demonstration of how to construct and care for a terrarium.

As well as our monthly meetings, we held a quiz night, hosted by Tony MacDonald and two plant sales, one in the Memorial Hall in May and the other at the Village Fete in September. These events raised vital funds enabling the society to flourish. Thanks must go to the army of people who work hard in the background setting up events, clearing away and doing all manner of unglamorous tasks.

As reported last year, there have been no visits this year but we continue to have close links with Clare and Hundon horticultural societies through our CoHorts group and joint events are planned for 2026.

There is still no-one able to take on an annual show so there are no plans at present for its reinstatement.

We are looking forward to the remainder of 2026 and are making plans for our 2027 programme.



STOUR ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

ANNUAL REPORT 2025/26

During this year we have looked to build interest in the society. We have been able to offer a full programme of ten speakers. The topics have been varied and diverse with subjects including – “Extra Terrestrial Aurora”, “Jupiter”, “Saturn”, “the Sun”, “the Juno mission”, and “Astrophotography” presented by the UK’s leading astrophotographer.

We have seen an increase in new attendees, resulting in good attendance at the April meeting. With a full calendar for the next 12 months hopefully this increased level of interest will continue. We would also like to see previous members returning to frequently achieve higher monthly attendance. We have a system such that reminders are sent to interested individuals each month, and improve how the meetings are structured. Currently we operate a pay as you attend system.

Glynn Parsley – May 2026



Cavendish Care

Cavendish Care was set up in 1987 to provide transport to medical appointments for all villagers, not just the seniors. This is supported by 15 regular driver volunteers who did 2566 miles in the last year. These drivers are paid 50p per mile.

We also hold coffee mornings as a socialising occasion. We have a few regular volunteers who host these mornings free of charge although those attending pay £1.00 which goes to Cavendish Care,

We also arrange outings which are subsidised recently to the Cock and Bell, West Suffolk College Sturmer Garden Centre and a boat trip to the Henny swan for lunch, culminating in a Christmas lunch at the Bull Hotel.

Sadly the volunteers are all ageing and we are not sure how much longer we can provide this service unless we can recruit some younger members of the community. We have advertised on the Cavendish face book page and in the parish magazine but had no response.



CAVENDISH SPORTS CLUB 2026

Both football pitches have had extensive maintenance work carried out throughout the season including weed treatment, fertilization, and verti draining. Drill seeding was completed in early April at great expense to the football club. This maintenance costs the Football Club around £5000 per season, Similar work has been carried out on the cricket square with the costs being met by the Cricket Club.

Repairs to the clubhouse have been put on hold as grants are needed to complete the necessary work.

The main structure of the building now requires work on the gable ends as both are in a poor state. The original timber cladding on the rear and west side date back to 1935 and are now in need of replacement. The east gable render needs replacement and verbal quotes to renovate both end gables have been obtained which will cost around £12000. The fascia boards need replacement and the whole exterior will need to be re decorated.

Funding will be needed for this, but as grants stipulate a minimum of 10 years on the lease then these cannot be applied for. The current lease on the grounds expires in September 2027 and until this is renewed then funding this project will be very difficult.

We have contacted the leaseholder and she has verbally agreed that there should be no problems with renewing the lease.

The Football club have had a very good season having reached the final of the Suffolk Primary cup which was recently played at Needham Market FC. We unfortunately lost on penalties with the score at fulltime being 1-1 against Laxfield before a crowd of around 300 spectators.

We also reached the final of the Tommy Thompson cup and played Bradfield Rovers on 22nd May. This match was at Coggeshall Town FC and after normal time the score was 3-3. Yet another penalty shootout and unfortunately another defeat.

The Cricket club commenced their season in April and they continue to thrive with their youth events on Friday evenings and there 20/20 midweek fixtures

Many thanks to all those who have come along during the season to support the teams and also to the Community and Parish Councils for their greatly appreciated support and assistance.

Paul Hurst
Secretary Cavendish Sports Club



Cavendish Cricket Club – 2026 Season Update

Cavendish Cricket Club is looking forward to an exciting and positive 2026 season, with developments both on and off the field helping to strengthen the club and its place within the local community. In the Sunday League, led by captains Chris Smith and David Chambers, the club is competing in the Suffolk County Hunts Division 3 following relegation last season. With a slightly more relaxed and friendly format this year, the team is looking forward to an enjoyable campaign and the opportunity to visit several new grounds throughout the season.

So far, the team has visited the likes of Haverhill and Old Newton, while the scheduled first home match against Mildenhall was lost to the rain, but thankfully rescheduled to ensure as much cricket is played as possible.

The club is also contesting the EST20 competition as reigning champions, hoping to build on last year's league success. Friday evening matches continue to be extremely popular, regularly attracting strong team numbers and creating an excellent atmosphere both for players and supporters alike. Cavendish has played three games in the EST20 so far, opening the season hosting Leavenheath. This was followed by a trip to fellow finalists Gestingthorpe and then another game at home to league newcomers Acton.

In the junior section, Dynamos and All-Stars coaching sessions have moved to Wednesdays. Although attendance numbers have been slightly lower than hoped, junior hardball coaching has seen encouraging growth. The club is committed to developing young players and supporting their progression into adult cricket in the years ahead.

Off the field, the club has welcomed many new members this season, alongside several new committee members and a new Chairman. These changes have brought renewed energy and enthusiasm, including a strong push for sponsorship, which has successfully raised significant support for the club. Thanks to the efforts of members across the club, we have a new Sunday shirt sponsor and several sponsor boards, created by our excellent groundsman, which adorn the boundary circle at our home games.

Also, thanks to a dedicated club 'get set day' organised by our new vice-chairman, we have a freshly painted storage container and a new picket fence in front of the clubhouse helping to enhance the facilities and overall appearance of the club, while the facilities in general were cleaned up and sharpened in anticipation of the new season. Our thanks to everyone who came down and helped. This season, courtesy of winning the 2025 edition, Cavendish will host the EST20 Final this season, which promises to be a fantastic occasion for both the club and the wider community. The club looks forward to welcoming supporters and residents for what should be an enjoyable day of cricket and community spirit.



Cavendish Bell Ringers Report

Eleanor Waller took over as tower captain early in the year and runs the regular Friday evening practice sessions. The previous TC continues to support the ringing when he can, assisting with weddings and service ringing as well as proving invaluable on the village fete day when young and old try their hand at bell ringing.

A new recruit joined us this year and should be ready for ringing rounds early in 2026, so this means we will have eight village ringers as well as volunteers from Clare, Sudbury and Little Cornard who help out when needed. A number of these ringers also support the weekly practice.

Throughout the year we rang regularly for Sunday services as well as to commemorate VE Day and Remembrance Day. There was also ringing for three weddings and one memorial at the church.

We had one visiting band from Cheshire in June who thoroughly enjoyed our 'Wonderful bells!' They were also intrigued by the fireplace in the ringing chamber.

Alan Game and Peter Walton continue to maintain the bells, but other than one rope breaking and needing splicing there have been no major problems. A spare rope needs to be sent off to have a new piece of rope spliced in above the sally. We will try out a synthetic rope as this should last longer than natural fibres and is less prone to the changes in weather.



CAVENDISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL APM 30.5.26

A lot has happened during the last 12 months, to be enjoyed by all our villagers and visitors.

Firstly, thanks to the Committee members, Peter Walton, Colin Mundy, Colin Nash, Christine Game and Paula Sargent for their hard work and their time to make the events in 2025 run like clockwork as well as the numerous helpers.

The storage area continues to work well for us, therefore, thank you to Peter Maddever for continuing to support the CCA by offering car parking on his Weir Field for our events and to Jenny Clarke for the use of Pentlow Mill meadow, also for parking.

Thank you Parish Council for your co-operation to permit our requests to hold events on the village green, which enables many of our events to take place.

And now onto the activities in which we have been instrumental in arranging over the last 12 months.

We continue to facilitate the monthly quizzes for the various groups and clubs in the village. These encourage each group to raise their own funds to support their own interest. The village quiz groups have raised more than £2000 between them in the past 12 months.

In May '25 we celebrated VE Day by holding a picnic on the green inviting all the villagers to come along and join in the fun. We had traditional games and voucher for ice-cream for the children with a bottle of red wine on each table for the adults, along with our designed label. It was nice to see such a good turn out and people making the effort to dress up in forties style. Music provided by the CCA using the PA system and Renee giving a talk about her time during the war, thank you Renee. It was great to see two Spitfires flyover.

In July, we held the Seniors Strawberry Tea. With transport provided to some who required it. Oh and we took them home too Food and drink flowed, sandwiches, mini cheesecakes, shortbread, etc. Thank you, Barbara Eels, otherwise known as 'Twinkle Fingers', for playing the piano. We had a magician, Neil Devlin, a few bunnies pulled out of his hat, A good time was had by all, amazing what a few bubbles can do!!!

Now to one of our big events, the Fete in September. Firstly, thank you so much to whomever is watching down on us for the great weather.

I would like to thank you all for your time, support and hard work in making what again was a great day out for all. Yes, it is hard work, but it is also very rewarding to see everyone enjoying themselves and everything ran like clockwork. Thank you, all our volunteers who helped on the Friday prior, on the day and to the wonderful cakes made. It goes without saying, it would not happen without your help. Peter & Colin Nash a huge thank you for organising the event, making sure all our exhibitors were placed in their designated slots. Many thanks also go to the Cricket Club for running the BBQ – and therefore enabling us to make a considerable addition to our funds.



Our second big event of the year, 'Firework Night'. What can I say, AMAZING! Weather as always was looking a bit iffy but thankfully it held off. Thank you to our Firework Team who set the display out, fantastic job and to all our volunteers, setting up tents, building bonfire, removing and replacing the green, bucketeers, BBQ cooks, servers.

The children's Christmas party in December was a big hit ably organised by Helen Deering, and the CCA supported the event financially towards gifts for the children and the entertainer, 'Mr Sausage'. Colin Mundy played Santa and from all accounts he was the real thing!!! Well, done Colin.

The CCA also donated funds to the village school's Christmas raffle.

Then the Seniors Christmas Party, the best turnout to date with 68 guests. Each guest was given a scratch card, not sure if we had any big winner! Of course, a party wouldn't be a party without a game, thank you to Malcom Wright for stepping into Bruce Forsyth's shoes and entertained them with 'Play your Cards Right'. A bit confusing at first, but we soon got into the swing of it. Thank you to Barbara Eels (twinkle finger) for playing the piano. The food and drinks flowed, and a good time was had by all. The sparkling and Madeira wine may have played a big part in that!!!

So, on New Year's Day, 2026, we held the traditional walk to between the village green and Colts Hall, with mulled wine as the reward for such activity so early in the year! Attended by 60 not so hung over people, and accompanied by 15 or so dogs, a great start to the year. Donations in the region of £180 were collected towards Cavendish Flowers, to brighten up the area in front of the Duck or Grouse/ Sue Ryder shop later in the year.

February saw our AGM and a "Thank you" evening at which we thank all the willing pairs of hands that help us set up and take down equipment, man stalls, put out cones and generally make our planning work at the events that we organise. Thank you again!

On May 4th we 'Beat the Bounds' of the Cavendish Parish. Setting off from The Five Bells eight people from the village departed for the 13 mile walk. Some left the walk part way round and others joined the group, which opened up the walk to people for whom 13 miles might be just too far. We look forward to expanding this inclusivity next year. A very big 'thank you' to the land owners/farmers along the boundary route for permitting this tradition to continue.

The Cavendish Open Gardens event is planned for next week-end, 6/7th June, wonderfully organised by Sue Walton. Over 20 gardens will be open to the public, with teas, here in the Memorial Hall, bacon butties and refreshments at the Bowls Club, a raffle and plants for sale. We hope for fine weather and thank those opening their gardens for taking part in the biennial event. Funds raised will be split between the East Anglian Air Ambulance, St. Nicholas Hospice and ourselves, the Cavendish Community Association.

As Chairperson, I would personally like to thank all the Committee, to those who have left and those who have recently joined us. For your commitment and time during the past 12 months.

Pauline Lovejoy, Chair, CA.

May 2026



Cavendish Illuminators

BACKGROUND

Cavendish Illuminators was founded in June 2011 by a group of like minded retired residents from Cavendish who wanted to provide some festive lights to the Village and create a little bit of magic for the children.

There were significant challenges in achieving this given the lack of a power supply in and around the Village Green. The displays we now enjoy are only possible due to businesses and residents within the village who kindly, every year, let us plug into their electricity supply. Without their generosity we wouldn't be able to achieve very much. In addition we use a variety of battery operated lights and have seen a great improvement in the effectiveness of these over the years!

Our early attempts were very modest, but over the next few years we added more and more set pieces and more decorated trees. By 2015 we had established our Switch On event with the Long Melford Silver Band, Santa's Grotto and a BBQ with mulled wine.

This was all achieved through fund raising, and the generosity of Cavendish residents during our fund raising events.

Sadly, in 2018 the illuminations catering size BBQ, Santa's Grotto, batteries, lights etc were lost when the storage barn we shared with the CCA was destroyed in an arson attack. In a separate incident the Illuminators generator was also stolen. This was very disheartening as everything had to be replaced with all the fund raising implications. Peter Madiver kindly provided us with storage facilities as we began the task of replacing items.

We were still in the process of doing this when Covid struck in 2020, preventing any further fund raising or Switch On activities.

Chairperson: Carole Quealy 6, Greys Close, Cavendish CO10 8BT
Vice Chair: Heather Gratton. Treasurer: David Stevens



CURRENT POSITION

When we started the Illuminators we were all in our 50's 60's and 70's we are all now in our 70's and 80's and no longer have the physical abilities we once had!

We need to recruit volunteers to assist us if we are to continue providing Christmas Lights to the Village and are very encouraged by the responses we have received to our Facebook request for help.

We also need to thank Willow Tree Farm shop who donate the tree erected in front of the Duck & Grouse every year and the Five Bells for their ongoing support. We also appreciate all the donations from local businesses to our annual Fund Raising Dinner raffle

FINANCIAL POSITION

As previously mentioned the funds required to pay for the costs of supplying Christmas trees and lights for the Village are raised by the valiant efforts of the members of the Illuminators Group, many of whom now find it difficult to carry out the necessary work. These funds come from the wonderful annual dinner attended by many people in the village, arranging and manning the bric-a-brac stall at the annual village fete, and a quiz held each year by the Illuminators Group. [These events raised around £1,500 in the year to 31 January 2026.]

Offset against that were the costs in that year for the purchase of trees, new lighting (where necessary) and other necessary expenditure. [These amounted to around £1,150.]

We ended the year with a very comfortable balance of £3,250 in the Bank.

However, expenditure this year is likely to be greater than in previous years as we need to replace up-lighters, purchase new batteries and more lights to replace aging ones. In addition, we hope to acquire nine circular tables for the annual dinner (these alone could amount to £700, but something the Group feel are required to facilitate easy communication between diners).



PLANS FOR 2026

This year, we are going to be dependent on the support of people in the village to achieve our lighting displays. Currently we provide Christmas trees to the School, Devonshire House, Greys Close and the Pink Cottages. In addition we supply trees to the Five Bells and The George but these are funded by themselves.

We used to provide a tree to the Memorial Hall, but since the Car Park was resurfaced we can no longer access the stainless steel sleeve we sank into the ground to allow the safe and secure erection of the tree.

We will be erecting the set pieces around the pond, the star on the Church the illuminated planters opposite the Village Green.

Additionally this year we will be replacing the up-lighters in the trees on the Green and this work has already begun with the old up-lighters now removed and new ones being installed in the next few months.

We will be refreshing many of the tree lights with warm white cluster lights to provide a coordinated approach around the Village.

We also hope to provide a Christmas Tree to the Village Green and are currently waiting for agreement from the Parish Council. If successful this will be decorated with coloured cluster lights.

Work normally begins in September each year to repair, replace and service set pieces, purchase replacements etc. We will be publishing on Facebook and in the Village Magazine our detailed plans with dates and times when help is needed and look forward to assistance and much greater involvement from residents of the village.

In collaboration with the Five Bells we will be holding a Switch-On Event on 5th December and further details will be announced on Facebook, Village Magazine and posters around the village nearer the time.



We will be holding our Quiz on 14th June and this year the Fund Raising Dinner will be on 14th November.

Lastly thank you for your support, without which there wouldn't be Christmas lights in our wonderful Village.

If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Carole Quealy
Chairperson



Cavendish Community Orchard May 2025 - 2026
Report for Cavendish Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting 30.05.26

The Cavendish Community Orchard was founded in 2011 with 31 trees such as Apples, Pears, Plums, Cherries, Sweet Chestnut, Quince and Soft Fruit, each donated by Cavendish residents.

The land is owned by Havebury Housing Association and leased to Cavendish Parish Council on 30-year lease. There is 15 years left before the lease is renewed in 2041.

Last May, with Cllr Nick Vosper, there was a handover from Mr George Hardy to me as the new point of contact in the Cavendish Magazine for the orchard and to co-ordinate the seasonal work as required. Thank you to George for getting the orchard established and still being very much involved – it is a credit to you.

Below is a recap of the year May 2025 - May 2026 at the orchard:

- A good and informative WhatsApp Working Group.
- Monthly write up and photos in the Cavendish Magazine – thank you editor for the reminders!
- Orchard continues to be regularly mowed.
- July - Two trees planted and memorial evening for Isobel Clark.
- August - Picnic in the Orchard for volunteers. Neighbours all invited.
- September - Thank you to the Cavendish Horticultural Society who let me share their pitch at the Fete and promote the orchard. Apple juice shots and apple bobbing all enjoyed! Location map of the orchard distributed – thank you to Ellie Ling for the use of her artwork.
- Phenomenal harvest – 2025 was a Mast Year when trees produce an abundance of fruit.
- Fruit cage dismantled as falling down and dangerous.
- Apple Day October 21 and 'Free Food in Haverhill' collected 11 trays of apples.
- March and April Pruning very successfully completed with professional funded by Cavendish Parish Council.
- April - Compost/Storage bays in place with pallets kindly donated. Eventually there will be a roof, guttering and water butts.
- Cherry Nets kindly donated.
- Some impromptu visits from Cavendish Primary School – to be encouraged.
- Orchard Included in the Open Garden Programme 6-7 June.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped over the last year with all manner of tasks and to the Cavendish Parish Council for their support to ensure the orchard can be the best it can be for the residents of Cavendish to enjoy.

Harriet North
Cavendish Community Orchard
22.05.26



CAVENDISH BOWLS CLUB
COMMUNITY FAIR & ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
31.05.2026

Cavendish Bowls Club have taken part in two leagues over the 2025 season and had success in the local Steeple Bumpstead Bowls League and the North Essex County Bowls Federation.

We have continued to play in both the SBBL triples and pairs competitions and Federation triples for the 2026 season. We still enjoy our Wednesday evening club nights, weekend trophy games, inter-club knock out games and monthly bacon roll ups.

The bowls club has been involved with community events throughout the year and have benefited from funds raised at the monthly quiz. The members have also been fund raising to ensure the building of our new club house will progress. The events have included, Robbie Gladwell music afternoon, Linton Jazz Big Band, Snail Race evening and Generous gifts from private sources have also boosted these funds, soon to be spent on completing the cladding and making the structure weather proof. A grant from Sport4 England will allow us to install most of the electrical wiring, and internal stud works are being considered.

As a club we are enjoying our 2026 season, playing in rain and shine, with prospects of achieving good results again this year.

Jacqui Scott-Burgin (Chairman)

29.05.26



CAVENDISH MAGAZINE

2025/26 annual report to Cavendish Parish Council

The magazine has continued to operate in the same manner it has done for several years, and whilst there have been no major changes or fluctuations in sales, subscriptions or production costs over and above acceptable rates of inflation, there have been changes to the operating/management personnel.

The magazine sought and recruited two proof readers, Courtney Goldsmith and John Pickett, both residents of the village, whose help and contribution has had a big impact on the monthly production task, relieving some of the pressure regularly placed upon the editor and the production team.

Early in 2026 the magazine's long-standing Chairperson, Victoria Tolchard, made the decision to stand down from her role to concentrate on other business and family projects. This was a great loss to the magazine as Victoria's contribution had been, for many years, the driving force behind the magazine's development and continued success as the 'voice' of the village. Her presence will be greatly missed but we, the committee, wish her much success in her new ventures.

Following Victoria's departure I, Malcolm Wright, was elected Chairman of the magazine committee. Having been an active member of the production team since 2023 I was happy and honoured to step into the role.

The magazine production team continues to work extremely hard to bring the magazine together for the people of the village and surrounding areas every month, and I would personally like to thank them for their selfless efforts and dedication.

I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the support shown by the Parish Council to the village magazine. Your moral support and financial donation is very much appreciated.

Whilst I know that the magazine is in a stable and financially sound position, I am also very aware that, like all small groups and societies in the village, we are vulnerable and susceptible to fluctuations in many factors beyond our control. I am aware that the demographic of the village is changing and with this brings a change in the demand for things like a printed physical product. The use of social media and online news platforms is something that the magazine committee are aware of and may have to consider embracing at a future date. For the foreseeable future we will continue to bring the magazine to the residents of Cavendish as we believe that there is a need and desire for a publication like ours, and the feedback we regularly receive from our readers endorses this.

Malcolm Wright

Chairman, Cavendish Village Magazine

31 May, 2026



Member of the Pre-School Learning Alliance
Ofsted Registered No: 251441

CAVENDISH PRE-SCHOOL
Registered Charity No: 1030918

Jubilee Room
Melford Road
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www.cavendishpreschool.com

Cavendish Pre-School aims to provide a secure, stimulating and friendly environment in which the children can develop through play. We believe in nurturing the individual child and valuing them above all else.

Parents and Carers are invited to be as involved with the pre-school as they would like, staying for lunch sessions and joining in for events and activities.

Daily activities include: Outdoor play, gardening, painting, drawing, glueing and crafts.

Educational activities also take place as children learn sounds and numbers. We cater for children from the age of 2 to 5 years.

Social interaction is encouraged in all areas of play and all the children come together at the end of the session for stories and singing.

Cavendish Pre-School is a Registered Charity (no.1030918), OFSTED Registered, and a Member of the Pre-School Learning Alliance. It has close links to Cavendish Primary School.

We are open 5 days per week during term time (closed Bank Holidays)

No child is signed into a contract to attend all year round. Unlike some nursery schools, Cavendish Pre-School does not charge for Bank Holiday Closures.

Opening Hours: 8.30am to 3.00pm Monday to Friday





Cavendish Koalas – Stay and Play Playgroup

We are a children's stay and play - playgroup established 4 years ago in Cavendish, running from here in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday mornings in term time, 10.30am – 12pm.

We have babies and children attending from newborn to under 5's, who partake in a variety of activities from sensory toys, crafts, messy play, ride on toys, to puzzles and stories.

We ask for a suggested £3 donation per family which includes a drink and snack for the children.

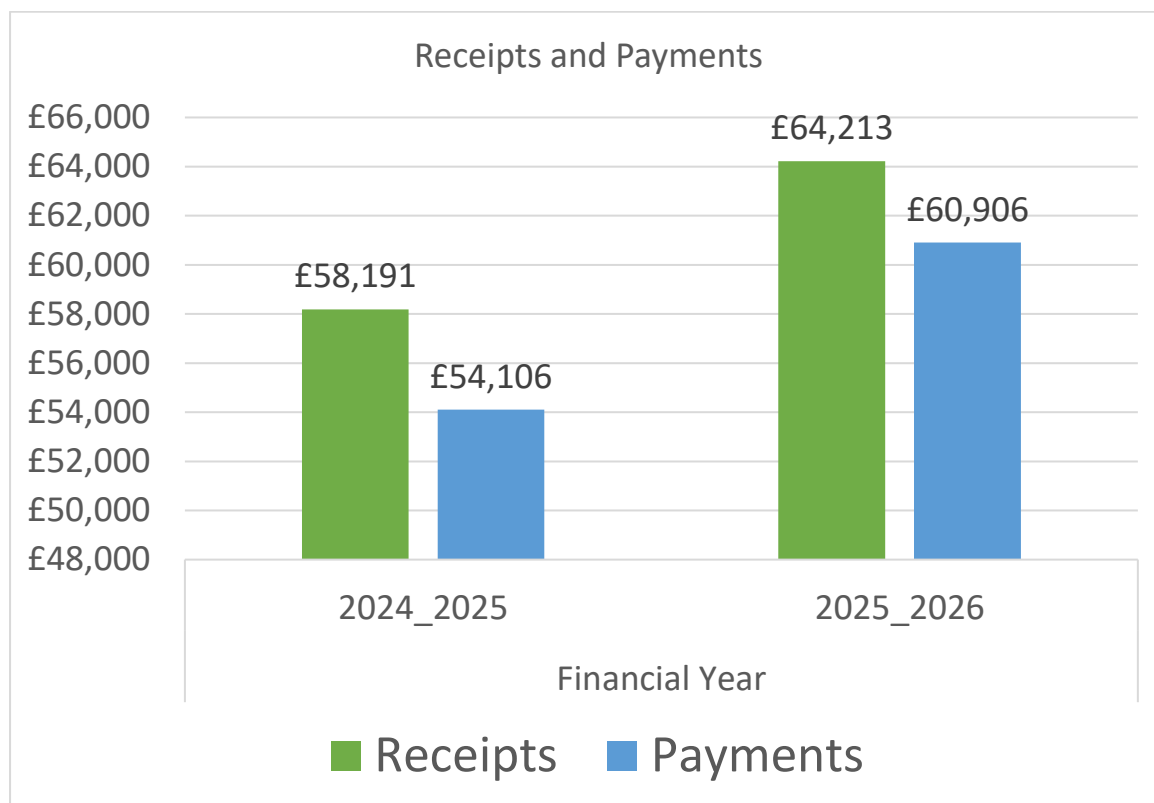
Koalas is a much loved local group supporting young families, parents, grandparents, carers and childminders who all enjoy a chat over a coffee and a biscuit!

We are looking for volunteers to join our team. Ask Emily for further information. We work closely with Cavendish Pre-School who we share a table with today.

Come along and give us a try!



Cavendish Parish Council – Financial Report for 2025_2026



Payments have increased by 13%

Receipts have increased by 10%

Our biggest payments (Other than Salary) were for:

- Grass Cutting and Street Maintenance £11,425
(£2497 of this for Sports Fields)
- War Memorial Repairs £3434
- Play Area Repairs £3500

Memorial Hall

Receipts totalled £10,588

Payments totalled £13,123

This included mandatory Security and Fire work of £1362 and £626 of repairs.

What next for 2026_2027?

We will continue to try and obtain the necessary grants for the replacement play area.

We have made NO increase to the Parish Portion of the Precept.