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|             | <b>Full Council</b> |
| Date        | <b>13 July 2026</b> |
| Agenda Item | <b>7d</b>           |

### **To consider a reallocation of surplus**

Our specialist clockmaker was recently in Halstead to carry out a service for the library and church clocks.

The church clock was found to need some repairs to keep it working properly, and the cost of this will be £1875 + VAT. In addition, the clockface would be improved with repainting, which has not been done for 25 years. The cost of this is not yet known but it could be put off to a later year if preferred.

It was agreed in 1878 that as the church was for the benefit of the parish, the parish (then the Halstead local Board of Health) should pay for keeping it in order, and that duty passed to Halstead Town Council when it was formed in 1974.

As we know of this expense already, and there is no question of replacing the mechanism with anything electronic, it would be wise to set the funds aside.

**Recommendation** : that HTC moves £2000 surplus from the Solar fund to the clock repair fund in EMR.



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