



## **RINGSBALL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Parish Council held at the Village Hall on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7pm.**

**Present:**

**Councillors:** H.Nunn  
N.Last  
L.Hitchcock  
D.Shann

**In Attendance** Cllr K Oakes  
Cllr D Pratt  
Brian Robertson Chairman Ringshall Village Hall Management Committee

**RPC/44/25/26 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

**RPC/45/25/26 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Hitchcock on Item 9 - planning application  
Cllr Nunn on Item 10 (e) - Four Parishes Magazine

**RPC/46/25/26 TO RECEIVE ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION**

None

**RPC/47/25/26 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Cllr Oakes changed District to County  
**It was AGREED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 be approved as a true and accurate record.

**RPC/48/25/26 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

No Public present

**RPC/49/25/26 TO RECEIVE THE COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Cllr Oakes reported little success currently with the trees but will raise this with the appropriate person at the County Council meeting on Thursday, and will report back to the next meeting.

**RPC/50/25/26 TO RECEIVE THE DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Providing Solar Panels and Battery system. Raised at RVHMC meeting. Often and Barking both had a grant.  
Cllr Nunn to contact Rosamund for details of companies contacted by Barking Village Hall.

**RPC/51/25/26 HIGHWAYS**

Cllr Shann reported that the new sign at Weir Road has again been displaced. Cllr Hitchcock stated that it needs to be relocated further back from the road.  
Cllr Shann reported on the football cars parking on road and causing an obstruction.

Cllr Hitchcock advised that this was dealt with by the Village Hall Management Committee's booking clerk on the day following which this situation should not occur again.

**RPC/52/25/26 PLANNING**

Cllr Hitchcock left the building.

- a) Council has no objections to application DC/25/03945
- Cllr Hitchcock returned to the meeting.

**RPC/53/25/26 CLERK'S REPORT INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) Received and discussed Clerks Report
- b) Parish Clerk back pay of £65 approved
- c) Council approved payments and receipts as follows:

<b>Payments</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	
		Ringshall School	£600
		Bank Interest	£91.60
		Precept	£4833
<b>Total</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>£5524.60</b>

- d) Received and approved the Finance Report and Bank Reconciliation
- e) Received and discussed monetary donation request from Four Parishes Magazine – approved
- f) Discussed the insurance renewal premium for 2025/2026 £496.20 – approved
- g) CIL the first tranche of £3081 has to be spent by end of 2026  
Cllr Pratt confirmed that CIL money could be used for solar panels and would strengthen the bid.

**RPC/54/25/26 B1078 AND OFFTON ROAD JUNCTION TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS**

- a) Local forester James Firman is not eligible to carry out the works, so an alternative provision needs to be sought to carry out the work. – pending until Cllr Oakes has more information.

**RPC/55/25/26 BIOSOLIDS PROCESSING – CHARLES TYE AREA – RESIDENT COMPLAINTS**

- a) Cllr Pratt – not receiving complaints through correct channels. Need to get volume of complaints to the right place  
Cllr Nunn will publicise in the parish magazine  
Cllr Pratt – Environment Agency are investigating. Some breaches have been identified but an insufficient number to shut them down.  
Cllr Pratt - Thames Water are investigating. This is a complex situation to control.  
Cllr Nunn to disseminate contact details for residents to complain to directly

**RPC/56/25/26 TELEPHONE BOX OUTSTANDING INVOICE**

Clerk liaised with Company and explained situation again and they have decided to write off the amount now, leaving the Parish Council with zero liability.

**RPC/57/25/26 NORWICH TO TILBURY PYLONS**

Offton & Willisham PC want to submit objections in conjunction with other Parish Councils – too late as the cutoff date for complaints has already passed.

**RPC/58/25/26 RINGSHALL PLAY AREA**

- a) Update on fence repair – recent rain has swollen the ground. Fence is no longer loose. Guy Hitchcock has – adjusted the gate. Situation to be monitored.
- b) Suggestion that Parish Council send out some kind of thanks to the people who have been mowing the lawn of play area – Cllr Oakes suggests thanking all volunteers in the newsletter. HN & Cllrs – no financial remuneration as they volunteered.
- c) Cllr Hitchcock asked if inspections could be carried out by councillors?

**RPC/59/25/26 REQUEST FROM PATRICK SPENCER MP TO HOLD RESIDENTS MEETING**

Suggested Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> November evening

**RPC/60/25/26 Matters to be brought to the attention of the Parish Council**

- NL – None
- DS – None
- LH – add litter pick date
- RVH - funding for fire alarm panel
- Church donation for organ repair

**RPC/61/25/26 Appointment of New Clerk**

Angela Maloney as Clerk - unanimous  
 Cllr Nunn to contact 1<sup>st</sup> Oct to offer job. Job description and contract to be returned  
 Further details required from Angela Maloney, identity checks etc  
 Cllr Nunn to advise Emma Cribb  
 Further action – transfer email account, change password, get RPC equipment from Lacey.

**RPC/62/25/26 DATE OF NEXT ORDINARY MEETING**

Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7pm

**The meeting closed at 8.18pm**

**Chairman: ..... Dated:.....**