

Rampton Parish Council

MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Rampton Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th March 2026 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Church End, Rampton.

Present: Cllrs Dunkley (Chair), Garstang, Drew, Markey & Dence, SCDC Cllr Osborne, CCC Cllr Deter, the Clerk.

In attendance: 1 member of the public

26/12. Chairperson's introduction and accept apologies for absence – Apologies for absence accepted from Cllr Allen (Work).

26/13. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensation requests – None.

26/14. Questions from the public and / or press¹ - None.

26/15. Minutes – to consider that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 13th January 2026 of the Parish Council be signed as a correct record - **RESOLVED**

26/16. Reports –

CCC – Cllr Deter raised her concerns over the lack of communication from the Highways department in relation to road closures / temporary works. It was also noted that the large pothole on the High Street outside of the allotments has been outstanding for an unreasonable length of time and we were advised that anyone encountering damage due to this pothole should pursue Cambridgeshire Highways Department.

SCDC – Cllr Wilson & Osborne – Cllr Dunkley queried if we as a Parish Council should be commenting on the Local Government Re-organisation. It was agreed that the PC should look at filing a response prior to the 26th March 2026 and mention that the funding will be required should further responsibilities be passed down to the Parish - **ACTION** – **Cllr Dunkley**

Regarding the Greater Cambridge Plan, Cllr Osborne confirmed that Rampton as an infill village should not have a development larger than 4 houses.

Regarding the consultation over the development corporation in Greater Cambridge it was agreed that the Parish Council will not be completing it - **NOTED**

Cllr Osborne advised that she would not be standing at the next election and as such this is her last attendance as a District Councillor.

Village Hall – Cllr Allen – no report available.

Recreation Ground Safety & Inspection – Cllr Dunkley – No current concerns.

Skatepark – Cllrs Dunkley & Dence – Betong (the agreed contractors) have received the quotes and have been in touch with SCDC council planning to request advice for the next steps. Cllr Dence to chase planning and check with Betong the ongoing costs of further meetings – **ACTION** – **Cllr Dence**

Clerks report – To note that the old Cllr org emails have now been disabled and as such Cllrs will no longer be able to send emails from these accounts. The mailboxes will remain accessible until 31st December 2026 - **NOTED**

26/17. Finance -

26/17a To agree payments and receipts as presented – reports provided - **NOTED**

26/17b Bank Statement - to acknowledge scrutiny and acceptance of the previously circulated bank statement - **NOTED**

26/17c Circulation of the yearly spend to date – **NOTED**

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26/17d To consider if monies need to be transferred from savings to current account – Resolution that a transfer of £1500.00 will be made from the Cambridge Building Society into the Lloyds current account to cover March 2026 expenditure – **RESOLVED / ACTION - Clerk**

26/17e Resolution to add Cllr Peter Dunkley as a signatory to the Cambridge Building Society account and to amend the contact address to be that of the Clerks – **RESOLVED / ACTION – Cllr Dunkley**

26/18. Planning - No new planning applications - NOTED

26/19. Sustainable Rampton – Latest update – it was noted that the grass cutting contractors had not cut the wildflower area on the recreation ground as per our request inline with the Habitat Management Plan and that some of the “no mow” verges had been cut - Resolution to provide to the contractors a plan of areas that should be left as “no mow” as well as a plan with clear instructions for the wildflower meadow – **RESOLVED / ACTION – Cllr Dunkley in the Clerks absence / Sustainable Rampton**

26/20. Flower barrels on verges – Permission has been received from Highways. Consider costs, quantity and locations.

Resolution to purchase 7 flower barrels (£440.00) to aid with the deterrent of parking on the verges along the side of the green and up to the value of £1500.00 for posts and chain around the war memorial - **ACTION - Clerk**

26/21. Highways - 20s Plenty application. To consider whether to refresh the current application or rollover. – Resolution that there was nothing to add to the current application and as such the application will rollover - **RESOLVED**

To note the open issues regarding the verges on King Street – proposed solutions remain outstanding including the option of installing kerbstones outside of the affected houses on King Street – **ACTION – Cllr Dunkley**

pothole concerns – **RESOLVED prior to the meeting**

speed calming measures along Cow Lane- resolution to source speed measuring equipment to gather facts regarding the current speeding concerns to further consider what proposals can be introduced and financed – **RESOLVED / ACTION – Cllr Dunkley**

26/22. ROSPA report – To consider if any items need immediate action and review costs- resolution to proceed with the works for the three “moderate” risk items. Clerk to instruct the contractors to proceed with their quote of for two items £253.95 and to source a further quote for the outstanding item – **RESOLVED / ACTION - Clerk**

26/23. Dates of next scheduled meetings –

28th Apr (APM) – Consider format for the Annual Parish Meeting – resolution that this years Annual Parish meeting will take place at 7pm on Tuesday 12th May prior to the Councils AGM – **RESOLVED**

12th May (Annual Parish Meeting & AGM), 14th Jul, 15th Sept, 10th Nov

26/11. Close of meeting 2100

Posted on 12th March 2026 by Moyra Mould, Clerk to Rampton Parish Council,
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Signed: Chairperson Date:

Receipts 25.01.26 - 25.03.26.

34	05.03.2026	£70.00	£0.00	£70.00	05.03.2026	Fees	Lloyds Current Account
35	05.03.2026	£187.00	£0.00	£187.00	05.03.2026	Fees	Lloyds Current Account
33	24.02.2026	£134.00	£0.00	£134.00	28.02.2026	Fees	Lloyds Current Account
32	19.02.2026	£173.00	£0.00	£173.00	28.02.2026	Fees	Lloyds Current Account (Skatepark)
38	09.02.2026	£6.40	£0.00	£6.40	05.03.2026	Interest	Lloyds Current Account
31	04.02.2026	£173.00	£0.00	£173.00	28.02.2026	Fees	Lloyds Current Account
30	03.02.2026	£76.00	£0.00	£76.00	28.02.2026	Fees	Lloyds Current Account
37	09.01.2026	£7.22	£0.00	£7.22	05.03.2026	Interest	Lloyds Deposit Account (Skatepark)

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Payments 05.01.26 - 05.03.26

60	02.03.2026	£608.40	£121.68	£730.08	05.03.2026	Purchases	Glasdon UK Ltd	Lloyds Current Account	Replacement bench at the pond following car accident		
72	30.01.2026	£586.00	£117.20	£703.20	05.03.2026	Grass Cutting	Brookfield Groundcare	Lloyds Current Account			
65	26.02.2026	£532.00	£0.00	£532.00	28.02.2026	Salary	Rampton Parish Council	Lloyds Current Account			
74	30.01.2026	£532.00	£0.00	£532.00	05.03.2026	Salary	Rampton Parish Council	Lloyds Current Account			
69	23.01.2026	£509.91	£0.00	£509.91	28.02.2026	PAYE	HMRC	Lloyds Current Account	Clearing of trees at rear of the pond		
63	05.02.2026	£220.00	£44.00	£264.00	28.02.2026	Misc Maintenance	Atlas Tree Surgery	Lloyds Current Account	Parachute weed skimmer for the pond		
67	04.03.2026	£124.58	£24.92	£149.50	05.03.2026	Purchases	Sharon Dence	Lloyds Current Account	reimbursed to Cllr Dence		
64	26.02.2026	£92.12	£0.00	£92.12	28.02.2026	Newsletter	Karen Williams	Lloyds Current Account			
61	04.03.2026	£84.99	£0.00	£84.99	05.03.2026	Subscriptions	Microsoft	Lloyds Current Account			
66	26.02.2026	£62.65	£12.53	£75.18	28.02.2026	Misc Maintenance	Wel Medical	Lloyds Current Account	New defib battery		
68	26.02.2026	£70.83	£0.00	£70.83	28.02.2026	Misc Maintenance	Sharon Dence	Lloyds Current Account	Snowdrop bulbs for rear of the pond.		
76	06.02.2026	£47.00	£0.00	£47.00	05.03.2026	Subscriptions	Information Commissioners Office (ICO)	Lloyds Current Account	Reimbursed to Cllr Dence		
62	01.03.2026	£14.00	£0.00	£14.00	05.03.2026	Flower Barrels	Jennie Coles	Lloyds Current Account			
70	30.01.2026	£4.25	£0.00	£4.25	28.02.2026	Administrative costs	Lloyds Bank	Lloyds Current Account			
71	04.03.2026	£4.25	£0.00	£4.25	05.03.2026	Fees	Lloyds Bank	Lloyds Current Account			
75	02.02.2026	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	05.03.2026	Administrative costs	Rampton Village Hall RVHMC	Lloyds Current Account	Duplicated in error		