

RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL

Ripple Parish Hall, School Lane, Ripple, Tewkesbury, Glos. GL20 6EU

RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 19 May 2026 at Ripple Parish Hall

Present: Cllrs. M Peters (Chairman), P Turner, I Davis, T Armitt, S Sheriff (joined at agenda point 3)

Attendees: Clerk/RFO M Hinde, 4 members of the public

Minutes

19.05.26.1	To elect Chairman and Vice Chairman and Acceptance of Office forms to be signed
	Cllr Armitt proposed Cllr Peters for Chairman which was seconded by Cllr Davis and unanimously agreed. Cllr Armitt proposed Cllr Turner for Vice Chairman which was seconded by Cllr Davis and unanimously agreed. Both Cllr Peters and Turner signed their acceptance of office
19.05.26.2	To review co-option applications
	Council unanimously AGREED to co-opt Stephen Sherriff to the council. Stephen signed his acceptance of office and he joined the meeting
19.05.26.3	To note apologies for absence and to confirm the meeting is quorate
	Apologies received from Cllr Petri and County Councillor Allen. The meeting was confirmed as quorate.
19.05.26.4	To receive comments from the public - no decisions will be made on issues raised. Any items requiring decisions will be added to the agenda for the next meeting (NB Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business that are not specified on the agenda (LGA1972 Sch 12, paras 10(2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119)
	Resident 1 – Raised the parking in Ryall Meadow as residents are parking on the pavement and it is difficult to get passed them. Council advised they were aware of the situation and had written to Platform on numerous occasions. The resident also advised that CEMEX have tried to redirect the path but so far they are not usable as it goes through a ditch. Resident 2 – Asked what the council knew about the planning application for 1 Holly Grove what is it about? A notice has gone up to stop a pavement which goes through a front lawn. Resident 3 – raised the issue of speeding again. The resident advised that pedestrians were having to walk on the road at Ryall Meadow and the traffic was going too fast down the road. Council asked the clerk to contact the police about the possibility of speed cameras in the area.

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19.05.26.5	To receive declarations of interest for items on the agenda below (Localism Act 2011)
	None
19.05.26.6	To confirm and agree minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17 March 2026
	COUNCIL APPROVED the minutes from the meeting held on 17 th March 2026
19.05.26.7	To receive Clerks Report and agree actions
	The clerks confirmed they had submitted a reclaim for VAT for £1603.06. An expression of interest of form has been sent to MHDC for a grant for a new defib for the adopted phone box.
19.05.26.8	To receive County Councillors report and agree actions
	The County Councillors report was received as per APPENDIX 1
19.05.26.9	To receive District Councillors Report and agree actions
	None
19.05.26.10	Finance, all documents circulated prior to the meeting a) To approve Payment of May 2026 payment list below and those paid since last meeting, to note receipts and agree actions: COUNCIL APPROVED payment list as per APPENDIX 2 b) To approve bank reconciliation up to 30th April 2026 COUNCIL APPROVED bank reconciliation up to 30th April 2026 as per APPENDIX 3 c) To approve budget monitoring report up to 30th April 2026 COUNCIL APPROVED budget monitoring report up to 30th April 2026 as per APPENDIX 4 d) To review direct debits COUNCIL APPROVED direct debits as per APPENDIX 5 e) To approve list circulated prior to the meeting of regular payments for the next 12 months COUNCIL APPROVED list as per APPENDIX 6
19.05.26.11	To Review AGAR 2025/26 and Associated Documents a) To approve the annual accounts and bank reconciliation for Year End 31 March 2026 COUNCIL APPROVED annual accounts and bank reconciliation for year end 31 March 2026 b) To receive Internal Auditors report Council received Internal Auditors report c) To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2025-26(AGAR Section 1) for external auditors PKF Littlejohn COUNCIL APPROVED the Annual Governance Statement 2025-26 (AGAR Section 1) for external auditors PKF Littlejohn d) To approve Accounting Statement 2025-26 (AGAR Section 2) for external auditors PKF Littlejohn COUNCIL APPROVED the Accounting Statement 2025-26 (AGAR Section 2) for external auditors PKF Littlejohn e) To agree dates for the exercise of public rights to inspect accounts

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	COUNCIL AGREED the dates for the exercise of public rights to inspect accounts as 3 rd June 2026 – 14 th July 2026
19.05.26.12	To receive update on Parish Council procedures and resolve to agree actions a) To review subscriptions to other bodies and agree actions COUNCIL APPROVED subscriptions to other bodies as per APPENDIX 7 b) To confirm arrangements of insurance cover in respect of all insured risks Council confirmed they were happy with the insurance cover c) To approve Parish Council Meeting Dates 2026/27 COUNCIL APPROVED meeting dates for 2026/27 as per APPENDIX 8 d) To review members of existing committees Deferred to another meeting
19.05.26.13	To review the following council procedures a) Standing Orders Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required b) Financial Regulations Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required c) Code of Conduct Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required d) General Privacy Notice Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required e) General Privacy Notice for Staff and Councillors Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required f) Publication Scheme Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required g) Asset Register Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required h) Asset Management Plan Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required i) Disciplinary Policy Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required j) Grievance Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required k) Training and Development Policy Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required l) Equality and Diversity Council reviewed and agreed no changes were required
19.05.26.14	To receive Items for the next meeting agenda Speeding and Pavement parking
19.05.26.15	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 21 st July

Meeting Close 19:49.

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APPENDIX 1

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MARTIN ALLEN

REPORT TO RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL MAY 2026

Good evening,

I am sorry I am unable to join you tonight, I have two other meetings tonight, one of them is their yearly public meeting, the other is a large public meeting.

**#11206 UCKINGHALL FLOOD WATER NOT DRAINING AWAY FROM THE ROAD
01.03.26**

The provisional date of 17/08/26 for work to commence is subject to the road closure being approved.

BEECHWOOD CARE HOME

In April I was delighted to be asked to return to Beechwood Care Home in Holly Green to see the new Planters that I had purchased for residents. I was thrilled to see they were already in use and had been planted up with various veg seeds.

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They now also run a Monthers and Toddle Group on the 1st Tuesday of each month between 1030-1130.

A38 ROAD CLOSURES

From 26th until 28th of May parts of the A38 from Earls Croome to School Lane, Ripple will be closed for road surface dressing.

From 28th until 30th of May parts of the A38 from Kempsey to Severn Bank in Severn Stoke will be closed between 2000 -0600 for road surface dressing.

HILLVIEW GARDENS

I am very pleased to see that finally Highways have carried out work to refurbish pavements in Hillview Gardens. I am less pleased to see that a section of the pavement has been dug up by the electric company. I will be going to look at that section once they have completed their work.

CHANGES AT COUNTY HALL

As you know the county council elections were held last May 2025, it brought sweeping changes. Reform swept into power. Jo Monk was their leader until she was ousted by Alan Amos.

Five Reform members have now left Reform and formed their own party.

Last Thursday it was the County Councils AGM, during which the Conservatives, LibDems, Greens, and some Independents took over running the council. Unfortunately, the Conservatives have now reluctantly left this coalition on instructions from their HQ in London.

Warmest Regards

Cllr Martin Allen

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Payment List 19.05.26

Payment Made since 01.03.26

Lengthsman	332.6
Clerk Salary	977.22
PATA	40.35
Three	6
Bank Charge	4.25
Lengthsman	332.15
Clerk Salary	982.82
Three	6
Bank Charge	4.25
TOTAL	2685.64

RECEIPTS SINCE 01.03.26

HMRC	4724.36
MHDC Precept	15590
TOTAL	20314.36

PAYMENTS TO AUTHORISE

Clerk Mileage	£12.60
CALC	£1,291.44
TOTAL	£1,304.04

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APPENDIX 3

19 May 2026 (2026-2027)

Ripple Parish Council

Prepared by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

A	Bank Reconciliation at 30/04/2026		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2026		39,433.68
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2026 - 30/04/2026		20,323.08
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2026 - 30/04/2026		59,756.76 993.07
	Cash in Hand 30/04/2026 (per Cash Book)		58,763.69
B	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 31/12/2023	0.00	
	Current Account 30/04/2026	38,224.31	
	Deposit Account 30/04/2026	20,539.38	
			58,763.69
	Less unrepresented payments		
			58,763.69
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		58,763.69
	A = B Checks out OK		

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APPENDIX 4

Ripple Parish Council
Monthly breakdown of Receipts and Payments
All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2026 and 31/03/2027)

19 May 2026 (2026-2027)

	Budget	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Variance
PAYMENTS															
Expenditure															
Subscriptions	1,125.00													1,125.00	
Newsletter/Adverts/Flye															
Donations	223.00													223.00	
Insurance	712.00													712.00	
Grass Cutting/Trees	4,551.00													4,551.00	
Lengthsman	3,775.00													3,775.00	
Chairmans Allowance															
Prof Fees/Audit	263.00													263.00	
Clerks Expenses	377.00	31.00												31.00	346.00
Clerks Salary	12,078.00	956.82												956.82	11,121.18
Annual Public Meeting	150.00													150.00	
Hall Hire	193.00													193.00	
Repairs															
Vehicle Activated Sign															
Recreation Ground Ref.															
Tree Survey/Maintenanc															
Website	523.00													523.00	
Admin/Training	200.00	4.25												4.25	195.75
Clerks Equipment	100.00													100.00	
Defib	172.00													172.00	
BUS															
HANDYMAN															
Waste Bins	1,528.00													1,528.00	
Recreation Ground	1,682.00													1,682.00	
Bench															
Payroll charges	172.00													172.00	
HMRC	1,400.00													1,400.00	
Association Membershi															

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APPENDIX 5

Direct Debits

[Standing Orders](#)

Enter details, such as name or account number

Recipient	Last payment	Frequency	Amount	
INFORMATION COMMIS ZB918875	19 June 2026		£47.00	Cancel x
H3G 985967253801391259	03 July 2026	Monthly	£6.00	Cancel x

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Regular Payment

Lengthsman	As per timesheet
Clerk	As per contract

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APPENDIX 7

Subscriptions

Subscription	Cost
CALC	£1291.44
Information Commissioner Office	£52.00

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APPENDIX 8**Ripple Parish Council****Meeting Dates 2026/27**

Meeting Date	Start Time
21 st July 2026	19:15
15 th September 2026	19:16
17 th November 2027	19:15
19 th January 2027	19:15
16 th March 2027	19:15
23 rd April 2027 Annual Parish Meeting	19:00
18 th May 2027 Annual Meeting	19:15

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