

RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL

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

RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 14 April 2025 at Ripple Parish Hall

Present: Cllrs. M Peters (Chairman), M Davis, P Turner CC M Allen(left at 19:38), D Cllr J Owenson (left at 20:04)

Attendees: Clerk/RFO M Hinde and 2 member of the public

Minutes of Ripple Parish Council Meeting

- 14.04.25.1 To note apologies for absence and to confirm meeting is quorate**
Council received apologies from Cllr Ian Davis and the meeting was declared quorate.
- 14.04.25.2 To review co-option application and agree actions**
After reviewing the co-option application the Council unanimously **AGREED** to co-opt Susan Petri. As Susan had sent her apologies her acceptance of office will be signed at the next meeting
- 14.04.25.3 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 (LGA 1972 Sch 12, paras 10 (2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119)**
Resident 1 – Michael Follet sent apologies but asked to mention if the path from Ryall Meadow to Ryall Meadow field. Could the Lengthsman be asked to clear the path?
- 14.04.25.4 To receive declarations of interest on the agenda below (Localism Act 2011)**
None
- 14.04.25.5 To confirm and agree minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 24th February 2025**
Council **APPROVED** minutes from 24th February 2025
- 14.04.25.6 To receive Clerks Report and agree actions**
The clerk advised that the Lengthsman would return to his role on 7th May
The clerk advised that the British Heart Foundation offer grants for defibrillators
Refund VAT of £1484 received
Newsletter – Clerk asked if a newsletter was to be produced to advertise the Annual Parish Meeting and provide a Council update. Cllr Peters advised he would put one together for approval.
- 14.04.25.7 To receive County Councillors report and agree actions**
County Councillor gave his report as per **APPENDIX 1**
- 14.04.25.8 To receive District Councillors report and agree actions**

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SWDP Review will get approved this year which will give a breathing space moving forward. SWDP took so long as it was quite dramatic in its plan. Originally designed in supplying 10 years housing supply rather than 5. Published new district plan outlines millions for infrastructure investment such as improve Tunnel Hill area to make it more multi use such as a community hub. Investment in MHDC assets such as Malvern Town Football Club. The 2nd part is investment community bodies such as the Rugby Club in Upton want money towards public toilets and changing rooms. MHDC have a Rural Business Development Fund. Local rural businesses can get match funding to achieve something such as improving shop fronts.

MHDC also provide funding for defibs and blood kits.

Malvern Hills are concentrating on services ensuring they leave it in a good place to be taken over by a Unitary authority.

14.04.25.9

Finance, all documents circulated prior to the meeting:

- a) To approve Payment of April 2025 payment list below and those paid since last meeting, to note receipts and agree actions:**

Council **APPROVED** the payment list as per **APPENDIX 2** totalling £4078.29

- b) To approve bank reconciliation up to 31st March 2025**
COUNCIL APPROVED bank reconciliation up to 31st March 2025 as per **APPENDIX 3**

- c) To approve budget monitoring report up to 31st March 2025**
COUNCIL APPROVED budget monitoring report up to 31st March 2025 as per **APPENDIX 4**

- d) To agree 2 councillors to complete the Internal Control Document**
COUNCIL AGREED that Cllr M Davis and I Davis would complete the Internal Control Document

14.04.25.10

To discuss applying for Section 106 money from MHDC should there be further development along the A38

Cllr Davis suggested requesting section 106 money to build a community centre along the A38. Cllr Owenson suggested speaking to Mr Surman who has plans to build a club house.

Action: Cllr Turner to speak to Mr Surman about attending the next meeting.

14.04.25.11

To discuss location of the waste bin to be installed in the Beeches and Ripple

Cllr Peters confirmed that 2 of the 3 parties have agreed location for the bin Ripple and he is just waiting to speak to the 3rd.

A sign has been displayed on the noticeboards in the Beeches and that is currently awaiting approval

14.04.25.12

To discuss the location of the defibs throughout the parish

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Nursing Home require the defib to be moved as the perception is that the staff are trained in using the defib. Ask Lengthsman if a solid panel could be added to the back of the bus stop for a defib to be mounted. Cllr M Davis to send photos to the clerk along with sketch of what the council would like.

14.04.25.13 To consider adopting the phone box in Ripple and agree actions

Phone Box is classed as a listed building. £1 to adopt it. **COUNCIL AGREED** to adopt the phone box.

14.04.25.14 To review prices to replace and repair the clerks laptop

Council reviewed 3 quotes and **AGREED** to replace clerks laptop for £269.00

14.04.25.15

Planning

Application No: M/25/00433/HP

Location: 1 Grove Cottage, Ryall Grove, Upton Upon Severn, Worcester, WR8 0PP

Description of Proposal: Erection of single and two storey rear extensions, external rendering and replacement windows

Council confirmed NO OBJECTION to this application

14.04.25.15 To receive items for the next agenda

Annual Meeting

14.04.25.16 To Agree date of the next meeting

Meeting Close: 20:15

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APPENDIX 1

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MARTIN ALLEN

REPORT TO RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT APRIL 2025

Good evening.

COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

RYALL EAST QUARY APPLICATION & RIPPLE SCHOOL LANE QUARY FOR MINERALS APPLICATION (CEMEX)

No more news that I gave you below in February except to say the re-consultation ended on the 24th of March.

**GULLY PROBLEMS IN NAUNTON DRAINAGE WORK/FLOOD ALLEVIATION
#8644**

As you know, work is to be undertaken commencing on 04/08/25 until 08/08/25 0800-1500 each day to carryout repairs near to the notice board and Defib. I sent you the map and details on 03.03.25

RYALL GROVE FOOTWAY

This has now been approved for refurbishment, and I am still waiting for a start date, but I have been told it will be done this summer.

ADOPTION OF FURROW CLOSE

I have been chasing this up with Highways, and I forwarded you their email on 24.03.24.

The County Council is currently waiting for Taylor Wimpey to complete remedial works to enable the final certificate of completion to be issued. The County Council will then carry out a further inspection of the works and, subject to the satisfactory rectification of any highlighted defects, issue the final certificate and formally adopt the roads as highways maintainable at public expense.

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The timescale for eventual adoption of the roads, however, is dependent upon Taylor Wimpey making a commitment to fulfil their obligations under the terms of the section 38 agreement.

DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

70 HOMES AT THE MARINA/HOLLY GREEN

Still no more news on 70 Homes on the A4104 at Holly Green – This has again gone out to consultation; this site is in the SWDP allocation and has received planning permission in the past. This application is outlaying only, and it will not determine the type and exact location of any properties.

LAND AT HOLLY GREEN FOR 27 HOMES AND 1 X SHOP march

Despite Cllr Owenson's and mine best efforts, the Southern Area Planning Committee votes in a spit vote to approve the application.

SWDP-R UPDATE

As you know the hearing commenced on Tuesday the 4th of March 2025; it is only programmed in for 4 weeks. I believe it has just started its last week.

Once that hearing is completed, the SWDPR will gain considerable weight.

UNITARY AUTHORITY'S

No more news, we now know that Worcestershire's district and county councils are in the second wave to become a Unitary Authority.

A progress report must be in place by the end of March this year. A full plan is to be in place in November this year.

The Shadow Authority will be formed in 2027, currently both WCC and MHDC will run until April 2028.

MHDC voted to explore both a Worcestershire Unitary Authority and a South Worcestershire Unitary Authority.

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MHDC currently favour the SWUA option, **which I also voted in favour of.**

Worcester City, Wychavon and MHDC residents total approximately 320 thousand.

North Worcestershire total 280 thousand.

It is not known at the moment if the government will accept this option.

Warmest Regards

Cllr Martin Allen

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APPENDIX 2

Payment Made since 24.02.25

Ionos	49.2
Three	6
Clerk	917.22
Portch Services	1152
Clerk Expenses	6.3
Ripple Parish Hall	184.5
Smart Cut	780
Bank Charges	4.25
Ionos	19.2
Three	6
Clerk Salary	953.62
TOTAL	4078.29

RECEIPTS SINCE 24.02.25

HMRC VAT Refund	1,484
TOTAL	1483.64

PAYMENTS TO AUTHORISE

Clerk Mileage	£6.30
Smart Cut	£390
TOTAL	£396.30

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APPENDIX 3

31 March 2025 (2024-2025)

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 31/03/2025		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2024		22,241.35
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2024 - 31/03/2025		33,244.20
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2024 - 31/03/2025		55,485.55 27,401.96
	Cash in Hand 31/03/2025 (per Cash Book)		28,083.59
B	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 31/12/2023	0.00	
	Current Account 31/03/2025	12,666.66	
	Deposit Account 31/03/2025	15,416.93	
			28,083.59
	Less unrepresented payments		
			28,083.59
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
	Adjusted Bank Balance		28,083.59
	A = B Checks out OK		

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APPENDIX 4

31 March 2025 (2024-2025)


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Monthly breakdown of Receipts and Payments

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2024 and 31/03/2025)

	Budget	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Variance
PAYMENTS															
Expenditure															
Subscriptions			59.50	1,124.98										1,184.48	-1,184.48
Newsletter/Adverts/Flye						69.00								69.00	-69.00
Donations								20.00	200.00					220.00	-220.00
Insurance								661.66						661.66	-661.66
Grass Cutting/Trees				1,950.00		650.00		1,300.00					650.00	4,550.00	-4,550.00
Lengthsman		332.15	415.30	328.55	411.25	331.21	331.25	328.10	330.35		335.75			3,143.91	-3,143.91
Chairmans Allowance															
Prof Fees/Audit									252.00					252.00	-252.00
Clerks Expenses		31.00	31.00	57.48	31.00	45.90	5.00	69.40	31.00	47.00	31.00	37.30	37.30	454.38	-454.38
Clerks Salary		862.92	862.92	862.72	862.92	862.72	888.92	862.92	1,078.66	891.02	891.02	891.22	891.02	10,708.98	-10,708.98
Annual Public Meeting					150.00									150.00	-150.00
Hall Hire													184.50	184.50	-184.50
Repairs															
Vehicle Activated Sign															
Recreation Ground Ref.												960.00		960.00	-960.00
Tree Survey/Maintenance															
Website		16.00	32.00		32.00	16.00		32.00	342.00		57.00		16.00	543.00	-543.00
Admin/Training								84.00	43.19				4.25	131.44	-131.44
Clerks Equipment															
Defib				29.99										29.99	-29.99
BUS															
HANDYMAN															
Waste Bins				243.88									60.00	303.88	-303.88
Recreation Ground						625.74			1,025.00					1,650.74	-1,650.74
Bench															
Payroll charges							72.30	31.05					83.40	186.75	-186.75
HMRC															
Association Membership															

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