

## Ringmore Parish Council (RPC) Meeting

Tuesday, 19th May, 2026 at 7.5000 pm in the WI Hall

### MINUTES

**Present;** Cllr. Michael Campbell (MC), Chair, Cllr C. Eddy (CE) Vice Chair, Cllr. Helen Kent Woolsey, (HKW), Cllr. A King (AK), Cllr M. Wood (MW), Cllr M Hyde (MH). Cllr. M. Findlay (MF), Mrs.H. Hinkley (HH) Chair. Parish Events Sub-Committee, I.Bramble (IB) Clerk and 3 other members of the public (MsP)

#### Welcome

MC welcome MsP and Councillors present and invited guest speakers and MsP to raise issues of interest and concern in Open Session.

#### Members of the public are welcome to participate in Open Session

**National Trust (NT) Ranger, Valda Smith** outlined in some detail the work planned by the NT for wetlands and woodlands in the Parish and the thanked those members of the public who contributed greatly to the tree planting exercise, now completed as the planting season has come to an end. Maintenance continuing in other areas before they too are planted, mainly with apples, with a request from Cllrs. for these to include cider and cooking variants.

Next winter will see further tree planting and water course management, following design and planning in conjunction with the woodlands design group, Natural England and the National Landscape Area Partnership. Whilst recognising that the 'right to a view' is not a material planning consideration Cllrs asked whether if those planning the planting had, given the proposed density of 2,500 trees/hectare, albeit with overplanting to account for casualties, considered how valuable to residents are views of the beach and sea and could take that into consideration in the siting of trees, to minimise or mitigate loss of, what are now for some residents, unimpeded views.

A presentation is to be prepared to advise members of the public (MPs) of future of future work including work for Pathways.

**Abbie Pearce (AP), General Manager of Parkdean**, then reported on changes to the park during the last 12 months;

- Further upgrades are on hold.
- Lighting has been changed in the different internal sections of the building and also the main complex lighting has been removed, with emergency lighting to replace it. Feed-back from residents on this will be welcome
- Local social media will be used to advertise the availability of facilities to local residents all year round including the waterfront and car parking
- Blue flag status has been reapplied for

- Signage on the waterfront and slipways has been updated and renewed with a sign at every entrance to the beach.
- Personnel will be on site to improve control on dogs accessing the beach and the restrictions will be advertised in ParkDean literature.
- Advance information on caravan movements in and out of the park is being worked on.
- Also, AB advised that the Park has two deliveries of linen during the week and also food deliveries, usually on Tuesdays but also on Thursdays if necessary but that it was difficult to influence the size of vehicles used.

MC raised the issue of not only caravan deliveries but also of the traffic through the village during the season from chalet users and whether the Park could promote to its clients a one-way system in and out of the park, to reduce the volume of traffic through the village.

### **To Accept Apologies for Absence**

Apologies received from DCC Cllr. Wainwright and SHDC Cllr Taylor.

### **County Councillor Update**

DCC Cllr Wainwright's Annual report is available on the Parish Website and was summarised at the April, Annual Parish Meeting.

### **District Councillor Update:**

- E Bikes were introduced in Totnes at eight different bases for hire at £2 per hour and has proved very popular
- SHDC emergency team were alerted at Kingsbridge for the Gas leak and were present very quickly to help where they were needed
- SHDC has had three officers working on the LGR full time for over a year to put forward South Hams proposals to the Government, and we should be informed late in the summer on which proposal is adopted, we have had several members briefings during the last 12 months and at a special council meeting the preferred option was voted on
- I was very disappointed that the NPPF has undermined the Neighbourhood plan development boundary and it no longer carries any weight, when an application comes forward for local development
- Just recently the local leisure centres run by Fusion has gone into liquidation and it will be taken over by a new leisure provider at the beginning of June, in the meantime it will stay open and be run as usual by Fusion.

### **Declarations of interest from Councillors**

There were no Declarations of Interest

### **To receive and approve minutes of the RPC meeting held on Tuesday, April 21st, 2026.**

CE proposed approval, MC seconded and Cllrs. agreed unanimously

### **Matters arising from minutes of the RPC meeting held on Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

There were no matters arising.

### 2026.017 Sale of Church land

Transfer of Diocesan land is still in progress.

### 2026.018 Planning Matters.

SHDC Response Date

#### 1 Planning Applications

**1733/25/HHO:- Higher Manor, Ringmore, TQ7 4HJ**

**05/05/26**

*Householder application to remove dormers, adjust eaves & ridge line of garage (retrospective)*

Cllrs. agreed that MC produce a summary of RPC's objections to the above and that Cllrs. submit responses in their own names should they wish to do so, prior to the D&M June committee meeting, to discuss the proposal.

#### 2. To note planning decisions:

None to note.

#### 3. To note withdrawn applications:

None to note

#### 4. Enforcement cases

All enforcement cases are sent to Parish Councillors directly, due to confidentiality and are not for public discussion

### 2026.019 Finance

To receive Bank reconciliation to April 30th, 2026 at £6,057,46 and approve May payments due

n.b. £10,355.55 on deposit in a 95 Day Acct. as at April 30th cannot be considered to be immediately available cash.

Interim Immediate Cash Position as at 14/05/26		Curr. Acct	£ 5,788.12
		Dep. Acct.	£ 6,085.57
		Total	£11,873.69
2026	Current AC	as at 30/04/26	£ 6,057.46
	Deposit AC		£ 6,085.57
	95 Day Account		£10,355.55
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£22,478.58</b>
Reserves	Contingency		£ 2,796.00
	Rewilding		£ 725.00
	Fair 2026 27		£ 1,000.00

	<b>95 Day Account</b>		<b>£ 10,313,30</b>
	<b>Net Funds available</b>		<b>£ 7,622.03</b>

RPC has been advised that the above rewinding contingency is unlikely to be used and IB proposed that it be removed to the deposit account. This will be shown in the June Statement.

**To note April 30th to April 30th, 2026**

W.I. Hall hire: March Mthly. mtg.	16.00
EDF: Nightlanding site March payment:	8.00
I Bramble:- Clerk's Salary; March 1st –March 31st, 2026	159.14
I Bramble:- Clerk's PAYE: March 1st –March 31st, 2026	39.80
I Bramble:- Clerk's mileage; March RPC meeting	6.30
All Hallow's Church; RPC share of Annual Clock Maintenance	111.00
Information Commissioners Office; Annual Subscription 2026 27	47.00
Lloyds Bank monthly service charge;	4.25
SHDC Payroll Services Annual charge;	120.00
Howard & Over: Diocesan land transfer;	2,400.00
TGO Web Services New Parish Laptop & set up charges;	545.00

**Receipts:- April 1st, 2026 – April 30th, 2026**

Lloyds Bank Deposit Acct: Interest: April, 2026	0 60
Lloyds Bank 95 Day Acct: Interest: April, 2026	22.25
First SHDC Precept payment instalment	4,659.50

**Payments to date & due May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 - May, 31st, 2026**

W.I. Hall hire; May Mthly. mtg.	12.00
EDF: Nightlanding site; May mthly payment;	8.00
I Bramble:- Clerk's Salary; April 1st – April 30th, 2026	171.54
HMRC:- Clerk's PAYE: April 1st – April 30th, 2026	42.80
I Bramble:- Clerk's mileage; April RPC meeting	9.45
DALC Annual Subscription	115.97
Rugby Club August Fair Donation	50.00
NDM Distribution Limited; Pothole repairs Whacker Plate	549.00
EC Hopkins Ltd; pothole repairs, petrol cutter	751.80

**Receipts due May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 - May 31st, 2026**

Lloyds Bank Interest	2.48
Lloyds 95 Day Account interest	tba

LW has confirmed that DCC grants will not be available for the purchase of pothole equipment and therefore purchase of the above Whacker Plate and Petrol Cutter will not be proceeded with.

MC proposed approval of the above and authorisation for the May payments due. MF seconded and Cllrs. agreed unanimously.

**2026.020 Challaborough**

The modified lighting at the holiday park was noted.

**2026.021 Environmental matters:**

Still ongoing, with RPC awaiting further information re. water quality monitoring of bathing water etc., on when the proposed water quality monitoring in Ringmore and Bigbury

**2026.022 To receive Parish Paths Partnership update**

Remedial work is awaited, for footpath P13 and a grant of £260 is due from DCC.

**2026.023 To receive National Trust update**

See above report from NT Ranger Valda Smith

HK to take action on the siting of the proposed container in a position selected to preserve views.

**2026.024 SHDC:- Grants for Business and Parish Councils**

The Parish Room is seeking Finance for a disabled toilet and access to it.

**2026.025 Annual Parish Meeting, April 21st and RPC AGM, May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Both meetings now completed.

**2026.026 Parish Heating Oil Scheme**

MC will discuss with Richard Baker to mailing village members of the scheme a request for someone to co-ordinate orders etc in the absence John Reynolds who has now retired.

**2026.027 Correspondence**

There has been notification of The Village Halls Small Grants Fund for which projects for the Parish Room, such as toilet facilities for the disables would be eligible.

**2026.016 A.O.B.**

No matters were raised.

**Matters for discussion at next Parish Council meeting and Annual General Meeting.**

None were raised.

The meeting closed at 8:35 pm.

**The next meeting monthly meeting and Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday June 16th at 7:00pm in the WI Hall.**

Signed:.....Dated:.....  
Cllr. Mike Campbell, Chair, Ringmore Parish Council.

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