

**Ringmore Parish Council (RPC) Meeting
Tuesday, 21st July, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the WI Hall**

MINUTES

Present; Cllr. Michael Campbell (MC), Chair, Cllr. Helen Kent Woolsey (HK), Cllr M Hyde (MH). Cllr. M. Findlay (MF), Mrs.H. Hinkley (HH) Chair. Parish Events Sub-Committee, I.Bramble (IB) Clerk and 1 other members of the public (MsP)

Welcome

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

Members of the public are welcome to participate in Open Session

No matters were raised.

To Accept Apologies for Absenc

Apologies received from DCC Cllr. Wainwright, Cllr. Eddy, Cllr. King and Cllr. Wood

County Councillor Update

DCC Cllr Wainwright's Annual latest report is available on the Parish Website and includes an update on the Devolution proposals for Devon, which allocate parts of the South Hams to 'Greater Plymouth' in the west and 'Greater Torbay' in the east. Ringmore remains in the '**Devon Coast & Countryside (DC&C)**' area. RPC Cllrs felt the only certainty was that this will be a considerably disruptive and therefore expensive process and likely to cause significant increases in Council Tax.

District Councillor Update

BT commented that has been little ongoing activity within SHDC as details of Devolution have ben awaited. Elections for the new unitary authorities will be held in May 2027. The new authorities will 'shadow' the outgoing County and District Authorities, for 12mths, at the end of which these authorities will cease to exist and the unitary authorities take over. Parish boundaries will not change. Changes in planning procedures will take effect from 1/10/26 and will result in approval decisions made remotely with little, if any, scope for them to be challenged. Finally BT confirmed his contribution of £1,000 to Fair from his Locality Budget.

Declarations of interest from Councillors

There were no Declarations of Interest

To receive and approve minutes of the RPC meeting held on Tuesday, June 16th, 2026

MC proposed approval. HK seconded and Cllr agreed unanimously.

Matters arising from minutes of the RPC meeting held on Tuesday, June 16th, 2026

There were no matters arising

2026.040 Sale of Church land

RPC has advised its solicitors that the vendor's proposal for "*the right to install and display signs and advertisements on the Property*" be excluded from the contract between the Diocese of Exeter and the purchaser. To date there has been no response from the vendor to this.

2026.041 Planning Matters.

SHDC Response Date

1 Planning Applications

There were none to discuss

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

2026.042 Finance

To receive Bank reconciliation to June 30th, 2026 at £4,561.86 and approve July payments due

n.b. £10,381.17 on deposit in a 95 Day Acct. as at June 30th cannot be considered to be immediately available cash.

Interim Immediate Cash Position as at 16/07/26		Curr. Acct	£ 4,335.27
		Dep. Acct.	£ 6,090.49
		Total	£10,425.76
2026	Current AC	as at 30/06/26	£ 4,561.86
	Deposit AC		£ 6,087.99
	95 Day Account		£10,381.17
		Total	£21,031.02
Reserves	Contingency Fair 2026 27		£ 2,796.00
			£ 1,000.00
	95 Day Account		£17,235.02
	Net Funds available		£17,235.02

To note June 1st to June 30th, 2026; payments made:

W.I. Hall hire: May Mthly. mtg.	12.00
EDF: Nightlanding site May payment:	8.00
I Bramble:- Clerk's Salary; May 1st –May 31st, 2026	171.54
I Bramble:- Clerk's PAYE: May 1st –May 31st, 2026	42.80
I Bramble:- Clerk's mileage; May RPC meeting	6.30
Vision ICT Ltd. Annual email hosting cost	144.00
Arborfor Ltd. Parish Room elm tree cutting and removal	640.00
W.I. Hall hire; June Mthly. mtg.	12.00
Plymouth Arguam Rugby Club	50.00
DALC Annual Subscription	115.97

Receipts:- June 1st, 2026 – June 30th, 2026

Lloyds Bank Deposit Acct: Interest: April, 2026	2.42
Lloyds Bank 95 Day Acct: Interest: April, 2026	23.95

Payments to date & due July 1st, 2026 to July 31st, 2026

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HMRC:- Clerk's PAYE: June 1st – June 31 st , 2026	42.80
I Bramble:- Clerk's mileage; June RPC meeting	9.45
Parish & Town Audit Services	165.00
Community First Ins. Policy renewal	300.84
Palladium; Padlock for container path gate	19.63
Additional Fair insurance costs	t,b,a

Receipts due July 1st, 2026 to July 31st, 2026

Lloyds Bank Deposit Acct: Interest: April, 2026
Lloyds Bank 95 Day Acct: Interest: April, 2026

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

2026.043 2025 26 Annual Governance & Accounts Report Internal Audit report

The Internal Audit which reports on whether administrative, financial, and procedural control objectives had been met and advised that objectives for the publicity of the 2024 25 audit on the Parish website had not been met. IB has contested this with the auditor whose reply is awaited. All other objectives had been met and advice given on updates necessary to be incorporated into policy documents.

2026.044 Challaborough

It was reported that the sea front is now clear of caravans awaiting removal.

2026.045 Environmental matters

Nothing to report this month

2026.046 To receive Parish Paths Partnership update

There was nothing to report on the status of paths but the recent National Trust walk received only limited support from villagers.

2026.047 To receive National Trust (NT) update

The NT has been advised of camping on its land at Ayrmer Cove.

2026.048 Parish Heating Oil Scheme

There will be one more push for a coordinator to step in before a decision is made to wind up the scheme.

2026.049 Ringmore Fair

HH reported that posters were about to go up and agreement was reached that a two signatory protocol would be adopted, for signing cheques for payments which need to be made from the Fair bank account.

2026.050 Dead Trees close to pub/General tidiness issues, 2nd home Gardens

RPC has been made aware of dead trees and untidiness in the gardens of second homes but noted that the PCs have no enforcement powers for these issues. It was agreed that polite letters could be delivered to the homes in question asking for the trees to be looked at with remedial taken where necessary.

2026.051 Correspondence

No specific issues were brought forward for discussion.

2026.052 A.O.B.

RPC policy documents are being reviewed and updated and will be circulated to Cllrs, with track changes for Cllrs approval as agenda items for the September meeting. A complete programme of Policy reviews and updates will be completed during the remainder of the year.

Matters for discussion at next Parish Council meeting.

RPC policy document updates and AGAR Internal Auditor recommendation.s

To be held on Tuesday September 15th, at 7:00pm in the WI Hall.

Signed:.....Dated:.....

Cllr. Mike Campbell, Chair, Ringmore Parish Council.

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