

RUSHBROOKE WITH ROUGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 22nd September 2025 at the Sports Hall, Rougham at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Sara Mildmay-White (SM-W), Debbie Hockey (DH), Jeff Horner (JH) Tracey Skoyles (TS) John Newman (JN), Christine Mason (CM) Parish Clerk and one member of the public

2209/25/37 **Apologies for absence**

Cllr Kate Hardy, Cllr Debbie Hockey.

2209/25/38 **Declarations of Interest**

No declaration of Interests were made.

Dispensation

Councillors noted no requests for dispensations had been received and none were requested at the meeting.

2209/25/39 **Approval of Minutes**

All Councillors resolved to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Monday 7 July 2025. SM-W to sign the minutes as a true reflection of the decisions made.

2209/25/40 **County & District Reports**

Reports from SM-W and KS were previously circulated and noted.

2209/25/41 **Planning**

DC/25/1275/ADV Proposal: Application for advertisement consent - a. six non illuminated totem signs b. two internally illuminated fascia signs Unit 6

Fortress Way Rougham Bury St Edmunds Suffolk Mr Dan Mallin, Greene King.

No comment

DC/25/1193/FUL Proposal: Planning application - a. seven mid-tech commercial buildings comprising use class B8 with ancillary office, research & development and/or manufacturing b. car parking, cycle parking, cycle path,

service yards, landscaping, substation(s) and associated infrastructure Land East Of Rougham Ind Estate Rougham Tower Avenue Rougham Suffolk The Churchmanor Estates Company PLC.

No objections as industrial units and cannot be seen from the road.

DC/25/1137/ADV Proposal: Application for advertisement consent - two totem signs, two banner signs, four logo signs, one window etch sign and one gate sign (all signs non-illuminated) For Farmers, Horizon House Fred Castle Way Rougham Industrial Estate Rougham Suffolk James Bloor Homes, James Bailey Planning Ltd.

The Parish Council believes the proposed signage to be excessive.

DC/25/1435/CLE Proposal: Application for lawful development certificate for existing use or development cross boundary application use of land at bright meadow as a residential caravan site in breach of planning permission Touring Park Thurston Road Bury St Edmunds Suffolk Bright Meadow Ltd

No objections but with the condition that the application is only granted to the current owner.

Update on The White House: Enforcement are working with the owners to resolve the situation.

Update on Alpaca View: Business use created still under investigation.

2209/25/42 **Public Forum**

Concerning the WSC play inspection, it was pointed out that photos and issues raised were out of date and have in fact been rectified. SM-W to contact Damien Parker at WSC. On another matter, it was confirmed by SM-W that following receipt of parish council papers from the executor of the former clerk, the Sports Hall Committee took over ownership and responsibility of the play area from 1st April 2010. To be discussed further at the Sports Hall meeting on the 6th October, SM-W and JH to attend. An uplift on grass cutting costs has been requested, to be considered at the November parish council meeting. With regard to defibrillator training, DH to look into whether several villages together would be interested in participating in a training event.

2209/25/43 **Finance**

All Councillors confirmed receipt of the bank reconciliation prior to the meeting and agreed this matched the bank statements up to 29 August 2025.

Balance of the Community Account stands at £4,274.40 and with £28,441.20 in the Premium Account, the Parish Council has £32,715.60 in the bank.

b. It was resolved payments to be approved at the meeting and payments made since the last meeting be accepted.

Warden's salary July	169.24
Clerk's salary July	491.60
HMRC	584.23
Hall hire	20.00
Warden's salary August	172.60
Clerk's salary August	570.60
Gladson bin liners	122.24
ICO	52.00

c. The income against expenditure to August 2025 was noted.

Bin stickers: Quotation received from Multisigns for 500 30mph bin stickers £1,050. Following consideration, it was agreed that 250 stickers at a cost of £525 plus vat would be sufficient - all in favour. The Clerk to action.

2209/25/44 **Play equipment**

Deferred at present.

2209/25/45 **West Suffolk Local Plan update**

Planners are working through a legal challenge to the Local Plan. Further update as and when known.

2209/25/47 **Speed Indicator Device cost**

Following a conversation with Welnetham Parish Council Chairman regarding their speed indicator device (cost in the region of £3000) a quotation for one solar panel device with poles to be sought from Elan City. An application form for a Locality Budget Award to be requested from County Cllr Karen Soons. SCC to be contacted concerning the positioning of the poles.

2209/25/48 **Emergency Plan**

Work in progress.

- 2209/25/49 **Mouse Lane Hedge**
Although the allotment hedge has been cut, the remaining section of the footpath remains uncut. Simon Edell to be contacted.
- 2209/25/50 **Street naming – Kingshall Development**
The street name Chouns Field Close has been put forward by the Parish Council.
- 2209/25/51 **Parish Council vacancy**
A resident has applied to be co-opted onto the Parish Council. An invitation to attend the November meeting to be sent.
- 2209/25/52 **Future meeting dates for 2025/2026**
Confirmed dates 17 November 2025 and 2 March 2026. The date for the January meeting to be changed from 5 January 2026 to 12 January 2026.
- 2209/25/53 **Correspondence**
A reply has been sent in response to a complimentary email thanking the PC for supporting a resident's planning application.
The next Paish & Town forum is to be held on 21 October 2025 at West Suffolk House, Bury St Edmunds.
- 2209/25/54 **Any other council business to be noted for inclusion in a future meeting**
The Parish Council website to be updated to include events, clubs etc.
Meeting dates to be sent to the Parish magazine, SM-W to action.
Frog bin is proving too small for busy weekends David Larke to be asked to keep an eye on it during busy holiday times.
- 2209/25/55 **Chairman to close the meeting**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.