

Rudston Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RUDSTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH 2026 AT 19:30PM

Present: Cllrs: B. Warcup (Chair), S. Rhodes (Vice Chair), P. Wood, R. Todd, D. Matthews, I. Trudgett, C. Ackroyd.

In attendance: S. Todd (Clerk), Cllr. J. Owen, Cllr. D. Howard, 2 x Members of Public.

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies received from Parish Councillors as all were present.
Ward Councillor J. Bibb sent apologies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: All in favour that the minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 14 January 2026 are signed as a true record of the meeting's decisions.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public in attendance wished to speak.

5. WARD COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr. Howard reported that three contracts have been secured for new dental practitioners. Cllr. Owen advised that ERYC's funding is sufficient to meet statutory service requirements but is likely to be insufficient to support additional services.

6. PLANNING

6.1 Planning Applications:

6.1.2 There were no planning applications received between the publishing of this agenda and the meeting.

6.2 Planning Decisions, Appeals and Updates:

6.2.1 Cllrs. Warcup and Wood, together with members of both Burton Agnes and Carnaby Parish Councils and representatives from Ridge Clean Energy, attended an informal meeting to discuss the proposed community benefit fund associated with the anticipated planning application for the wind farm at Thornholme. Councillors in attendance expressed the view that the current offer was insufficient and requested that it be increased by at least 50%. It was noted that a further meeting with Ridge Clean Energy will be arranged once the company has had sufficient time to review and reconsider the proposal.

6.2.2 There were no further planning decisions, appeals and updates received between the publishing of this agenda and the meeting.

7. FINANCE

7.1 RESOLVED: The financial statements, including payments and receipts lists, bank statements and bank reconciliations, were presented and approved by all present.

The bank reconciliations were signed by the Chair.

7.2 Cllr. Rhodes will be arranging the transfer of funds shortly.

8. REVIEW OF THE ORGANISATION AND PROCEDURES OF THE COUNCIL

8.1 RESOLVED: All in favour to adopt the following policies: Equality and Diversity; Grant Awarding Policy and Grant Application Form; Risk Management; IT Policy.

8.2 The Clerk advised that this matter is still ongoing and to speak with other local Clerks for further options to consider.

8.3 RESOLVED: Cllrs. Trudgett and Ackroyd to join Cllr. Matthews as members of the Staffing Working Group.

9. PLAY PARK

9.1 RESOLVED: All in favour to purchase the Civic.ly app at a cost of £150 for 3 years which will be used as the Council's asset management tool and assist with the play park inspections.

9.2 The Title Register and Plan obtained from HM Land Registry do not provide sufficiently precise boundary details, therefore, ownership of the trees remains uncertain. The Clerk is to investigate the cost of obtaining the official Title Deeds and Plan.

10. PLAYING FIELD AND PAVILION

10.1 From the documentation available, ownership of the pavilion and the adequacy of the associated insurance could not be confirmed. It was advised that a solicitor's review would be required to establish the legal position. In the meantime, Cllr. Wood will liaise with the Secretary of the Playing Field Committee to seek any further available clarification.

11. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS – VILLAGE ISSUES

- Cllr. Todd advised the noticeboards require installation, and parking on grass verges has been observed.
- Cllr. Wood raised the issue of potholes and the missing sign on Long Street, he will liaise with Cllr. Bibb with regards to an assessment visit to Rudston.
- Cllr. Ackroyd has received concerns on the expected planning application for Thornholme wind farm.
- Cllr. Trudgett advised that concerns have been raised regarding falling branches from trees on Long Street, and work vans parking on the path on Long Street.
- Cllr. Warcup advised that early morning speeding on Long Street remains an issue. The Community Speed Watch Team can only operate in daylight hours.

12. CLERK'S UPDATE AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- An email received from a resident raising several concerns was brought to the attention of the Council
- A letter received from a resident regarding the Parish Council's view on the proposed wind farm was presented.

EMAILS RECEIVED AND FORWARDED TO COUNCILLORS

The correspondence received and list of emails forwarded to Councillors was duly noted.

13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

Annual Parish Meeting

Wednesday 13 May 2026 7.00pm at Rudston Village Hall.

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The date and time of the next meetings was noted by all present.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 20:30pm.