

RUMBURGH PARISH COUNCIL  
Annual General Meeting (via Skype)  
5 May 2021  
Start 19.30

1. Pieter van Dijk, Charlotte Binder, Julie Flatt, Stephen Stannard, Paul Fenner, Paul Spill.  
The clerk Boyd Coote was in attendance.  
Apologies: none
2. Election of Chairman for coming year – Pieter van Dijk (proposed by Councillor Stannard, seconded by Councillor Spill) was elected unanimously. Acceptance form to be signed after meeting.
3. Election of Vice Chairman for the coming year – Paul Spill (proposed by Councillor Fenner, seconded by Councillor Stannard) was elected unanimously Acceptance form to be signed after meeting.
4. Public Forum - no members of public present
5. Declarations of interest – Councillor Fenner re item 14
6. Minutes of previous meeting 17 March 2021. Council agreed this as a true record and approved for signature by chairman after meeting
7. Clerk's report and matters arising – Clerk has informed East Suffolk council about Roger Davis' resignation and is awaiting notices from them. Chairman advised council the damage to the Pleasure ground grass surface has been repaired and he will reseed when weather suitable.
8. Finances - balances as follows – C/Acct: £5345.27, BP/Acct: £4313.23  
Cheques were approved as follows: 100543 £20.00 Flixton Parish Council (VAS insurance), 100544 £190.14 SALC (membership), 100545 £58.00 Heelis & Lodge (Audit).  
Any other financial business: Clerk advised that the full precept for 2021-22 has been received from East Suffolk Council.
9. Receipts and Payments Account for year ending 31 March 2021- Council approved for signature by chairman and clerk after meeting.
10. Internal Audit - The Internal Auditors report was approved.
11. Council confirmed the Annual Governance statement 2020-21 (section 1 of annual return).  
To be signed by chairman and clerk after meeting.
12. Accounting Statement 2020-21 (Section 2 of annual return). Council approved for signature by chairman and clerk after meeting.
13. 'Certificate of Exemption' from external audit 2020-21. Council approved for signature by chairman and clerk after meeting.

14. Risk assessment of Parish assets,  
Allotments

- Main gate – Working party for 15 May weather permitting.
- Storm damaged tree – Health and Safety issues. Councillor Fenner will organise removal.

Pleasure ground

- Ditch - new pipe laid and ditch clear.
- Damage to play equipment – Balance beam beyond repair, Councillors Spill and Stannard will try to source replacement.

15. Planning - none

16. Correspondence – Already sent to Councillors

Resident - Wildlife to benefit from more wild spaces, request for less grass cutting.

Council discussed at length the three proposals

- Reduce cutting of Grass verges – These are cut once a year by East Suffolk Council. The Parish council has no control over this.
- Leave an uncut Wildflower margin on Pleasure Ground – Council unanimously agreed not suitable as all area utilised.
- Leave an uncut Wildflower margin on Allotments – Council discussed weed control and noted that there are other large areas of land left uncut nearby.  
Vote taken 'to leave an uncut margin on the allotment field' – For 2. Against 4.

Other correspondence - council aware no further action

East Suffolk Council - Grass Cutting

East Suffolk Sustainable Construction Supplementary Planning  
Document & Community Infrastructure Levy  
Planning Protocol – Survey  
Adoption of the East Suffolk Council Statement of Community  
Involvement

SALC -

e-bulletin: 15 March 2021

e-bulletin dated 19 April 2021

Period of national mourning and notice of council meetings

17. Any matters to be brought to the attention of the council at the next meeting - none

18. Next meeting 7 July 2021 in Village Hall (if Covid restrictions allow) at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed 20.14

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