

RUMBURGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

16 September 2026

Start 7.00pm

MINUTES

1. The Vice Chairman Cllr Paul Fenner welcomed Councillors to the meeting
The Clerk Teresa Goldson was in attendance.
Absences: Cllr Paul Spill - apologies accepted
2. Members of the public in attendance: x 1
MoP posed a question about the viability of a permanent water source for the allotments.
Councillors explained that the subject has been revised several times in the past however the cost of installation and the management of water usage/individual charges make it prohibitively expensive. Council agreed that should funding ever become available the matter could be revisited.
3. Declarations of Interest NONE
4. Minutes of the meetings held on [15 07 2026](#) & [19 08 2026](#) **RESOLVED**
5. Guest Speakers: Councillor Anthony Specca ES Council - Postponement of Local Government Reorganisation
6. Clerks Report & Matters Arising:
 - update on Allotments - 3 plots relinquished by tenants, meaning the entire back row is now vacant. Annual rents due by the end of September.
 - All other matters arising are aligned with agenda items.
7. Finances:
 - Balances: Current Account: £1318.88 / Savings Account £20,484.47
 - Interest gained on Savings Ac = £52.11
 - 2026-27 Insurance Premium renewal £537.37 **RESOLVED**
 - Clerk advised potential increase in RPC income over 2026-27 and investment in new play equipment, noticeboard and possible bike rack will result in additional in-year premiums.
 - Expenses: Clerks expenses £49.54 **RESOLVED**
 - Clerks pay increase - as stated in Clerks RPC Contract NJC 2026-27 pay award as of 01 04 2026 (+£ 0.45 per hour) applies. **RESOLVED**
 - HWA no change
8. 2025-26 Audit - Update. Internal Auditors report for 2025-26 has not been received despite reminders being issued. Council **RESOLVED** that the clerk should continue to chase. In the event of no response by 30 09 2026 Council will move to appoint a new Auditor. **ACTION:** October 2026 Agenda item

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9. Assertion 10 Action Plan update: All actions due at this time have been resolved.
10. Review of Asset Register: Everything in order. Addition of Bike Racks to be discussed at October meeting **ACTION** October 2026 Agenda Item
11. Play Equipment Project Update:
- Tender process under way deadline for submission 13 Oct latest.
 - **ACTION:** October meeting Agenda Item : Review of tenders received - this part of the meeting will be PRIVATE in respect of the commercially sensitive nature of discussions.
 - Nat Lottery bid - out come awaited
 - Thriving Places - invitation to move to the next round. Deadline 23 October 2026. **ACTION** Clerk to submit bid.
12. Any other Business: NA

Meeting Closed at 8.20 pm
Next Meeting
Wednesday 21 October 2026
7.00 pm

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