

RUMBURGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

26 November 2025

Start 7.00pm

MINUTES

1. The Chairman Cllr Paul Fenner welcomed Councillors to the meeting
The Clerk Teresa Goldson was in attendance.
Apologies Cllr Spill, Cllr Specia
SCC Councillor Judy Cloke in attendance
2. Members of the public in attendance: NONE
3. Declarations of Interest NONE
4. Minutes of the last meeting - 15 10 2025 Resolved
5. Guest Speaker Cllr Judy Cloke referenced her most recent update (October 2025 update) and spoke about the SCC Budgeting process.
6. Clerk's Report and Matters Arising:
 - Update on Review of Clerks Role and Annual Appraisal - Chairman and Clerk to arrange date for Appraisal. Documentation for the same agreed. Review of Clerks role to follow
 - Hedge cutting - **ACTION** Cllr Spill to ask locally and report to January Meeting
 - Emails - request from Councillors that Clerk uses WhatsApp group to alert Councillors to important emails awaiting their attention **ACTION** Clerk
7. Finances - As at 26 11 2025
 - Current Account Balance: £716.08
 - Savings Account Balance: £14085.81

Invoices for payment:

 - Insurance premium (new laptop) £8.11
 - Clerks Salary
 - Clerks Expenses - including purchase of replacement Laptop and printer cartridge £1228.69
8. Update on Village Hall Trustees meeting
 - Council **RESOLVED** to accept the kind offer of free use of the Village Hall for their monthly meetings as offered by VH Trustees letter received 25 11 2025. **ACTION** Cllr Fenner to respond to Village Hall Trustees.
 - Council **RESOLVED** that Cllrs Fenner and Williams should represent the Council at the January May Day Fete Planning meeting with view to the Council taking a more active part in the Fete for fund raising purposes.
9. Dates for 2026 meetings **RESOLVED**

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10. Review of Financial reserves and Risk Statement - **RESOLVED**

11. 2026-27 Budget and precept. Council **RESOLVED** to accept the clerks recommendation Vs 1 (total income £7810/ total predicted expenditure £7809) East Suffolk Precept to rise to £7700 for 2026-27

12. Pleasure Ground Update

Annual Playground inspection report (November 2025):

- Play Tower is no longer safe to use. Cllrs Stannard and Fenner to dismantle and remove PlayTower ASAP **RESOLVED**
- Trim Trail in need of closer inspection/ repair **ACTION** Cllrs Stannard & Fenner to check and report at next meeting

13. Funding Update - Cllr Fenner and Clerk working on funding application for full amount (circa £55k) needed for Replacement Play Equipment, less VAT.

Council **RESOLVED** that an application for the full amount be made to the National Lottery.

VAT - communication with East Suffolk Council Finance for support to pay and then reclaim VAT (circa £11k) Update awaited.

14. Any matters for the attention of the Council at the next meeting - see above.

Meeting Closed at 8.30pm

Next Meeting

Wednesday 21 January 2026

7.00 pm

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Chairman's Signature: