



Rendlesham

Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council at 7pm on Monday 13th October 2025 in Room 11, Rendlesham Community Centre, Walnut Tree Avenue, Rendlesham, Suffolk IP12 2GG.

THIS MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Present: Cllrs. M. Eley-Kemp (Chair), E. Points (Vice-Chair), M. Stevenson, J. Weller, J. Bird, F. Johnson, D. Moore, J. Carter, J. Oliver, and C. Gooch
L. Rayment (Clerk), Cllr Tim Wilson (District Councillor) and four members of the public

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr R. Piercy. Apologies also from County Cllr A. Nicoll.

2. Public Forum

A resident of Mayhew Road raised ongoing concerns about antisocial behaviour (ASB) involving local youths, including incidents of harassment and minor vandalism. Members discussed the issue at length and advised residents to continue reporting all incidents to the police so patterns can be established. It was noted that similar issues had occurred near Jubilee Park.

3. Declarations of Interest

None declared

4. Co-option of New Councillor

It was noted there are no current vacancies.

5. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th September 2025 are a true record.

6. County and District Councillor Reports

District Councillor Tim Wilson delivered his report, including:

- a. Updates on Suffolk's proposed unitary authority and devolution consultation.
- b. Progress on the "Melton Level Crossing" review.
- c. East Suffolk Council's CIL allocation and joint parish transport work.
- d. Local enforcement matters including unauthorised flags and car sales signage.
- e. The Chair thanked Cllr. Wilson for his continued engagement and support.

7. Youth Working Group

Members discussed the need for stronger youth engagement in response to recent ASB.

Cllr. Moore summarised correspondence with the police and potential funding avenues.

- a. It was resolved to establish a working group to review the situation and provide full council with recommendations

During discussion of Item 7 (Youth Working Group), several references were made to potential "meetings" and "terms of reference."

For clarity, the group agreed by Council resolution is a *working group* rather than a formal committee or sub-committee. *Working groups are informal and advisory only.*

8. CIL Funding Update

The Clerk provided an update on existing and proposed Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) projects.

- a. It was resolved to approve a budget of up to £5,000 for the establishment of Honours Meadow Allotments.
- b. It was resolved to approve up to £5,000 for CCTV and Wi-Fi expansion at Jubilee Park and the Community Centre.
- c. It was resolved to approve up to £6,000 (excluding £2,000 external grant already received) for an automatic front door at the Community Centre.
- d. It was resolved to approve the joint solar panel project for the Community Centre and Jubilee Park Pavilion, using CIL funds once the next tranche is received and other funding routes exhausted.

9. Fireworks Event

The Clerk confirmed arrangements for the 2 November 2025 fireworks event.

- a. It was resolved to approve purchase and sale of sweets and glowsticks at the event.

10. Jubilee Park Update

Cllr. Moore confirmed the next meeting was scheduled for 20 October 2025.

11. Community Centre Update

A written report was received

12. Clerk's Report

The Clerk's written report was received. Updates included allotments, skatepark planning resubmission, Just42 youth provision, AGAR progress, and insurance work.

13. Financial Report

The Clerk's written report was received.

- a. It was resolved to approve all payments for September / October 2025
- b. It was resolved to approve the insurance renewal for 2025-26

14. IT Update

A written report was received