

Rendlesham Parish Council

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Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on Monday 20th May 2024

Present: Cllrs. Mike Stevenson (Chair) – after Item 2, Dave Moore (Vice-Chair), Nickie Delacamp, Gareth Moir, Mike Parry, Rob Routledge, Vickie Waring and David Waring, ESC Cllr. Tim Wilson and the Locum Clerk

- 1. **Cllr. Moore** took the chair at 7.10pm pending the arrival of Cllr. Stevenson and welcomed all to the meeting, giving formal notice about the recording of the meeting.
- 2. **ELECTION** of the Chair of the Parish Council **Cllr. David Waring** was nominated by Cllr Moore and, in the absence of another nomination, **Cllr. Waring** was **ELECTED** unanimously and then signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
 - **ELECTION** of the Vice-Chair of the Parish Council. **Clirs. Delacamp and Moore** were both nominated and seconded. **Clir. Delacamp** was **ELECTED** by 3 votes to 2 and signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
 - **The Chair** thanked Mike Stevenson and Dave Moore for their dedication and service to the Parish Council, particularly over the last, very difficult twelve months.
- 3. Apologies for absence and declarations of interest, and to RECEIVE delegated Declarations of Interest Dispensation decisions or APPROVE such dispensation requests where required NONE
- 4. The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25th March 2024 were APPROVED as a true and accurate record.
- 5. **APPROVED** the Committee structure and membership per the attached list. Terms of Reference to be reviewed by the Finance and Assets Committee.
- 6. APPROVED the Bank Mandates (signing authorities and signatories) as follows:
 - Parish Council Cllrs. Delacamp, Moir, Moore, Stevenson and D Waring (all V/S/A), D Lines & E Harrington (V/S)
 - Community Centre Charity Cllrs. Delacamp, Moir, Moore, Stevenson and D Waring (all V/S/A), D Lines & E Harrington (V/S)
 - Youth Group Clirs. Delacamp, Moir, Moore, Stevenson and D Waring (all V/S/A), D Lines & E Harrington (V/S)
- 7. APPOINTED the Council's representatives to outside bodies
 - Suffolk Association of Local Councils (2) Clirs. Stevenson/D. Waring and the Clerk (or deputy)
 - Safer Neighbourhood Team (1) Cllr. Parry.
 - Greenprint Forum (1) Cllr. Moore.
- 8. **CONFIRMED** the following appointments to the **Parish Council**
 - David Lines as the Proper Officer and Responsible Financial Officer (1972 LGA s151) to the Council
 - Health & Safety Officer Cllr. V. Waring
 - Safeguarding Lead Cllr. Moore
 - Data Protection Officer Emma Harrington
- 9. **CONFIRMED** the following appointments to the **Community Centre Charity**
 - Health & Safety Officer Cllr. V. Waring
 - Safeguarding Lead-Cllr. Moore
 - Data Protection Officer
 Emma Harrington
- 10. CONFIRMED the following appointments to the Youth Group Charity
 - Health & Safety Officer Cllr. V. Waring
 - Safeguarding Lead Cllr. Moore
 - Data Protection Officer
 Emma Harrington

N.B. Appointed Councillors in 8 - 10 will act as mentors to the Administrative Officers pending their formal training (e.g. CAS Safeguarding courses)

- 11. Applications for co-option to the role of Parish Councillor NONE
- 12. Public Forum no members of the public were present

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13. County, District and Parish Councillors' Reports

Cllr. Alexander Nicoll (Suffolk County Council) provided a report (which was unfortunately not identified prior to the meeting but was circulated subsequently).

Cllr. Tim Wilson (East Suffolk District Council) thanked Cllrs Stevenson and Moore (former Chair & Vice Chair respectively) for their service to the Parish Council. He also congratulated and offered his support to Cllrs Waring and Delacamp on their appointments. Tim then spoke to his report, highlighting ESC's good financial position, leading to the setting up of a £500,000 Resilience Fund, and ESSL, the new Services and Facilities offshoot. He spoke about the disproportionate number of major (and disruptive) energy projects in the District, as well the audit of Rendlesham's community facilities.

Reports from Parish Councillors

Cllr. Moore elaborated on the work of the local ESC Community Partnership and its support for the Rendlesham Coffee Shop, the Repair Shed and the Youth Group, using a commissioning policy rather than grants.

14. NOTED - (draft) minutes from Committee meetings held since the last Council meeting.

15. Clerk's Report

Action points from previous meetings - NONE.

APPROVED - the Parish Council's Standing Orders (for review later in the Civic Year)

APPROVED - Meeting dates for the coming civic year per the attached report, with the alternating Council/F&A meetings on the second Monday of the month. Other meetings predominantly on Mondays.

16. RFO Report

RECEIVED and NOTED - the end of year Financial Reports, including the Bank Reconciliation on 31st March 2024.

- a) APPROVED and SIGNED the Annual Governance Statement for FY 2023/2024.
- b) APPROVED and SIGNED the Accounting Statements for FY 2023/2024.
- c) NOTED the Internal Audit Review scheduled for the week commencing June 24th 2024
- d) APPROVED the appended list of payments, the Bank Reconciliation, and a Statement of Accounts. It was AGREED that a Contingency Reserve of £20,000 should be created, funded from General Reserves APPROVED - grants for the Eyke School (£150) for IT equipment and for the Stay and Play Group (£160, to be paid to the Community Centre to fund room hire for 8 one-hour sessions).
- e) APPROVED the Parish Council's Financial Regulations (to be reviewed by F&A later in the civic year)
- **CONFIRMED** the extant Insurance Policy with Hiscox, auto-renewed on 31st October 2024, part of a 3-year agreement. f)
- g) **REVIEWED** the Asset Register of the Parish Council.
- h) **APPROVED** the list of Standing Orders and Direct Debits for the coming financial year.
- AGREED the appointment of the Suffolk Association of Local Councils as the Parish Council's Internal Auditor for the coming year.

17. Agenda items for future meetings

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17.	Internal Audit Report 2024 (to be distributed and published upon receipt)
18.	RESOLVED , in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, to exclude the Public, including the Press, from the meeting so that the following item containing exempt and confidential in the remainder of the agenda may be discussed and decided – Staff matters .
19.	Staff Matters – RECEIVED - an update on all staff matters.

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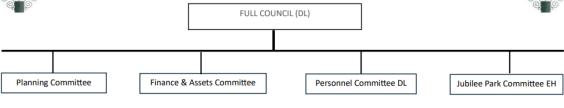
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Committee Structure to be agreed at May 2024 Annual General Meeting





Sub-committees or adhoc working groups

- Respond to planning applications
- Respond to planning correspondence
- Respond to planning consultations

Sub-committees or adhoc working groups

- Financial
- Management
- Corporate Governance
- Financial reporting
- Policy management
- Emergency planning
- Risk management
- Asset management
- New projects
- Website & socials Internal audit

Sub-committees or adhoc working groups

- Staffing matters including pay
- Conditions of service
- Appraisals
- · Business continuity
- HR policies

Sub-committees or adhoc working groups

- Trees and hedges
- Community buildings
- Recreation areas
- Street Furniture

Rendlesham Parish Council PAYMENTS LIST

16 May 2024 (2024-2025)

Tota	VAT	Net	AT Type	Supplier V	Description	Cheque No	Bank	Minute	Date	Code	Vouche
700.2		700.21	x	Lloyds Bank PLC	Card transactions		Unity Trust - Current		04/04/2024	SUSPENSE ACCOUNT	1
477.6	74.51	403.13	S	Swanns Nursery	Horticultural Supplies		Unity Trust - Current		04/04/2024	Jubilee Trees I & E	5
881.4		881.43	X	SALC	Annual Subscription		Unity Trust - Current		04/04/2024	Subscriptions	7
120.0		120.00	CE X	Frank Rudd Garden Serv	Horticultural services		Unity Trust - Current		04/04/2024	Jubilee Trees I & E	9
144.0	24.00	120.00	S	SLCC	Staff training		Unity Trust - Current		04/04/2024	Staff Training	2
760.0		760.00	CE X	Frank Rudd Garden Serv	Horticultural services		Unity Trust - Current		04/04/2024	JP Maintenance	3
753.0		753.00	x	EDMS Medical	Event emergency Cover		Unity Trust - Current		04/04/2024	Rendlesham Show I & E	6
585.0		585.00	X	Garden Keeper	Horticultural services		Unity Trust - Current		11/04/2024	Asset Maintenance	14
190.0		190.00	X	Man Friday	Contractor Services		Unity Trust - Current		11/04/2024	Pavilion Maintenance	15
140.0	23.34	116.73	S	S Caulfield and Son	Fuel		Unity Trust - Current		11/04/2024	Asset Maintenance	18
139.9	23.33	116.66	S	Utility Warehouse	Telephone and Broadband		Unity Trust - Current		23/04/2024	Phone & Internet	25
318.0	53.00	265.00	S	Vision ICT	Website services		Unity Trust - Current		23/04/2024	Website	24
150.0		150.00	x	Graham Allen	IT Support		Unity Trust - Current		23/04/2024	Office IT Support	23
4,014.6		4,014.60	X	Cora HR	HR Services		Unity Trust - Current		23/04/2024	HR Services	22
1,221.6	203.60	1,018.00	S	D Moore	Office equipment		Unity Trust - Current	42.03.02.10.b)	25/04/2024	IT expenditure	36
720.0	120.00	600.00	S	Delacom	Telephone and Broadband		Unity Trust - Current		30/04/2024	Phone & Internet	42
234.0	39.00	195.00	S	Delacom	Office equipment		Unity Trust - Current		30/04/2024	Phone & Internet	43
206.0		206.00	X	Moonbow Faces	Event Services		Unity Trust - Current		30/04/2024	Rendlesham Show I & E	38
750.0	125.00	625.00	S	SOS HR	HR Services		Unity Trust - Current		30/04/2024	HR Services	40
144.0	24.00	120.00	S	SLCC	Training materials		Unity Trust - Current		30/04/2024	Staff Training	41
877.5		877.56	x	Lloyds Bank PLC	Card transactions		Unity Trust - Current		03/05/2024	SUSPENSE ACCOUNT	45
275.0		275.00	x	Graham Allen	IT Support		Unity Trust - Current		03/05/2024	Office IT Support	46
109.7		109.70	X	D Moore	Council Awayday		Unity Trust - Current		03/05/2024	Room Hire	47
131.0	21.83	109.17	S	J T Wilding	Service & Repair		Unity Trust - Current		07/05/2024	Pavilion Maintenance	53
271.7	45.30	226.49	S	C F Corporate	Photocopier lease		Unity Trust - Current		14/05/2024	Photocopier - Lease	59
5,000.0		5,000.00	X	1st Rendelsham Scouts	Grant		Unity Trust - Current		14/05/2024	Grants and Donations	56
168.5		168.54	x	NEST Pensions	Pension payments		Unity Trust - Current		14/05/2024	Pensions	55
501.6	83.60	418.00	S	Freshair Fitness	Playground repairs		Unity Trust - Current		14/05/2024	JP Maintenance	57
1,030.0		1,030.00	Z	Epic Sound & Light	Music Services		Unity Trust - Current		14/05/2024	Rendlesham Show I & E	61

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