

RISTON PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday 5th August 2026 6.30pm

Riston Village Hall

Present - Cllrs A Taylor in Chair, L Pedersen-Roe, B Drake, Rev R Major, P Swallow, S Turner, J Darling
Clerk Nicki Salvidge

Members of the public 14

Chair Welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for attending and read out a statement of housekeeping.

1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

Cllrs Woodward and Hammond, Ward Cllr Christon-Whyte

2. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Members to declare any interest in items on the agenda and the nature of such interest and for the Council to determine if that interest could be prejudicial.

Councillor	Pecuniary	Non Pecuniary
Cllr Taylor		Wife chair of FRVH
Cllr Pedersen-Roe	Husband caretaker village hall	
Cllr Drake		Partner treasurer of PFC
Rev Richard Major		Wife secretary of PFC
Cllr Swallow		Member of PFC
Cllr Darling		Family member on PFC
Cllr Turner		Member of PFC

3. To open meeting to the public for a maximum of 15 minutes

Residents are allowed to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes per person.

Mr Wilson raised a question over the village hall insurance being covered by Parish council.

Resident asked if a statement could be passed onto Ward Councillor Christon-Whyte and requested statement be minuted-

Ward councillor Christon-Whyte I would appreciate your view on a couple of matters please.

Firstly, previous parish council records indicate that in excess of £30,000 had been accumulated over a number of years towards the replacement of a new village hall roof. I have seen correspondence which supports that intention, however the majority of these funds are no longer available, they appear to have been spent mostly on parish council running costs, as these funds were clearly earmarked for the village hall roof and were not intended for the day to day running of the parish council is there anyway of making the resigned councillors accountable in any way.

Secondly, I understand that standards complaints concerning the conduct of certain members of the parish council were considered by East Riding council for bullying and referred to for further action, my concern is that the behaviour that was shown then is still continuing now to this new parish council and PFC, this tells me that no lessons have been learned by the ex-parish councillors, so my question is? what can you do to protect these new councillors to guard against these individuals.

Clerk advised that former councillors could not be held accountable for their actions when they were in council. However, would forward to Ward Cllr Christon- Whyte for her to answer.

Also, that on completing this years accounts it was evident that an average of £8000 per year was used above

budget, using the £30,000 over the space of 3 years, which had led to the current balance.

Mr Sherwood addressed a question to Mr Wilson regarding the sharing of a private email during his time on the council. Mr Wilson responded that Mr Sherwood has his answer and having received an email claiming harassment he would not comment further.

Mrs Wilson asked if was appropriate that a councillor smiled during the debate. No comment was replied.

Mrs Ashcroft asked that everyone draw a line under this current behaviour and move on for what is best for over lovely little village.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

To consider and approve the minutes of 1st July 2026 a true record of the meeting.

Proposed as a true record by Cllr Swallow, seconded Cllr Drake agreed by a show of hands by all present.

5. Matters arising from the Previous Meeting

To consider any relevant matters arising from the previous meetings but not covered elsewhere on this agenda.

6. Police Report

Speed watch group of volunteers – update from Cllr Pedersen-Roe – Cllr Pedersen-Roe registered with police and is to meet liaison officer Dan Goodman, the group is moving forward. Training to be carried out online. Residents reported that the post lady had nearly been hit by a car. Clerk advised that that any video evidence can be sent to police.

Funding from PCC for speed cameras discussed, permission from East Riding needed first, Cllr Pedersen-Roe to speak to Dan Goodman about it.

List of crimes in Long Riston:

Riston take off without paying for fuel x3

Damage to play equipment and to playpark safety matting by E scooters costing approx. £2000. Cllr Turner reported that evidence had been collected and passed to the police. The Playing Field Committee are looking at the fitting of professional CCTV to deter users from using the playing field at £2000 and £3000.

Cllr Drake spoke of speed reactive signs Cllr Pedersen- Roe to speak to police about this incentive.

7. Finance

Balance –£14,677.77

Payments made-

Microsoft – 0.41

Microsoft £24.19

Eon next £52.49

Clerk

Bank charges £10.40

Payments to be made to be brought to the meeting.

To pay outstanding holiday pay to Chris Roe, this will cover his whole employment as no holiday pay previously paid out

AGAR – accepted by PKF Little john

Accounts on web site from 3/7/2026 no request received to view accounts.

Cllr Swallow proposed accepting accounts seconded Cllr Turner agreed by show of hand by all present.

8. Planning

Scoping consultation currently being hosted by ERYC for future provision of housing needs across the whole of the East Yorkshire, the consultation link will be put on the web site for anyone wishing to have their say closing date is 31st August at 11.59am.

This is not for the start of anything immediately and this is the first in a number of consultations to replace the current Local Plan.

The requirements from the government to build additional housing is putting pressure on ERYC.
If following the scoping any land is forwarded as possible building land it will still need to pass other planning requirements it is not a guarantee it will become housing.
Possibility of doing a local plan for the village to assist with these applications if and when they come in.

To consider planning applications received and update on previous planning

- RWE Solar Farm – ward councillor quoted to the press that this PC did not object to the plans for solar farm, THIS PC has never been consulted on the application however the previous council did not comment on planning portal, it may of commented via the consultation portal. Cllr Taylor to approach developers to open a dialogue with developers to discuss recompense. Acquisition of land agreed been granted, but there is nothing to say it will definitely take place, agreed to would be wise to have a dialogue channel with the developer to keep the parish notified of disturbance and also to request recompense in some form.
- Travellers Rest – A letter sent to appeal, aimed at the disregard of planning laws by the original developer and the need to uphold planning regulations in the village. Agreed by majority of councillors not all. It was reported that a planning inspector had been and passed the footings witnessed giving the build verbal permission to go ahead.
It was agreed that the car park would be an asset to the village if opened to allow this

9. Report from Chair of Village Hall

Mrs Taylor reported positively on how the hall is progressing. The family end of term party had been a great success and future events planned including 12th September Quiz Night and 15th October a digital inclusion event.

Group looking at placing an electric notice board outside the hall, to check if it needs planning permission.

10. Report from Playing fields Committee

Grant of £17,768 received from Sansfield

Sports day had been very successful; thanks go to the volunteers who helped in cutting grass and line painting.

Q hub up and running a line of sight to be used to give Wifi to village hall costs to be covered by the FRVH.

A lottery has been set up to help raise funds.

Following damage to play surfaces the play area, the park will undergo repairs on 24th August.

11. Review of Council Records and Electronic Document Retention

To receive an update on the availability of historic council records, including email correspondence, electronic documents and any legal advice inherited following the previous council and clerk's resignation; to establish whether any records are missing; to consider whether any further recovery work is appropriate; and to agree future arrangements for the secure retention and archiving of council records.

Some hard copies of minutes etc held. Emails old and new are now assessable to and from previous clerk only.

Some records are available but not all, however these will only become apparent when needed.

Current clerk is backing everything up to an external hard drive.

Historic documents may possibly be held in the archives at Beverley, residents' memories are proving very helpful in remembering some of the more historic details.

12. Review of Website, Email and Domain Provision

To consider a review of the Parish Council's current website, email and domain hosting arrangements, including costs, resilience, accessibility, ease of administration and compliance with current standards, and to consider whether alternative providers could offer improved functionality and value for money.

Clerks view is that the current standards are being covered by the current website, having just attended a meeting on updates on the changes which will soon be needed, these can be updated on the current website.

Company's are offering specific PC packages but at a cost.

Cllr Turner has priced up a replacement website and email service which would save the council between £2,000 and £3,500.

13. To accept review of Hall Management Survey 2024

Grade 3 report to be accepted as to the condition of the hall.

To look at report from 2024 and look at remedying some of the issues raised.

Parts of this report should have been shared with the playing fields committee upon it being received but was not, some remedial actions are being put in place by the PFC and the village hall committee. There was a discussion held as to if the report was ever shared with all members of the Parish council and the PFC.

Previous councillors present stated that the document was presented to everyone including Cllrs on this council, Cllrs. Darling, Hammond and Woodward mentioned as knowing the report.

Cllr Turner asked Mrs Wilson if an air test had been carried out, to which she replied there had not been one.

Problems will be addressed in next few weeks,

14. Report from Ward Councillors

15. Residents' concerns

Responses to residents' concerns brought to councils' attention between meetings.

To discuss possibility of a council surgery between meetings to allow residents to bring forward their concerns.

It is intended that informal chats will be available at things such as coffee mornings, but it must be emphasised that this availability is not to discuss council business but residents' concerns or positive feedback.

Parish council business will be via the clerk or at scheduled meetings.

16. Other items of Information.

Any other correspondence or other matters to be verbally reported by the Clerk.

To discuss and agree responses to correspondence.

- FOI Request asking for various documents received from resident – response will be sent shortly.
- Complaint received regarding former parish councillor.
- Request for volunteers received from the Youth Group.
- Overgrown hedge opposite the pig reported and hedge owner has been requested to cut back. Query over ownership of the hedge, residents to trim it back Cllr Taylor suggested asking community payback to cut it.
- Reports of dog fouling, any information needs to go to the dog warden, posters advertising contact detail will go in notice boards clerk passed on details to resident present. Cllr Drake proposed the purchase of a stencil and paint for footpaths seconded Cllr Pedersen-Roe.
Dog fouling on Lauty Lane and playing field has increased despite dogs not being allowed on the site, A cut through from Lauty Lane to Park has been closed up.
- Concern over clearing back of brambles etc in conservation area, Chair has spoken to Rise Estates who would appreciate complaints be sent directly to them rather than through the council.

17. Date of next meeting 2nd September 2026 6.30pm

Meeting closed 7.45pm

Signed _____ 2nd September 2026