

Randwick and Westrip Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the council held at Cashes Green School on Thursday February 19th 2026

Present

Councillors

Rob Davies Chairman

Alun Davies

Elisabeth Newman

Barry Chapman

Glenn Dooley

Jo Boldero

Nick Lythgoe

Petronella Tyson

1/2/26 **Apologies:** District Councillor Jon Edmunds and County Councillor Craig Horrocks had sent apologies.

2/2/26 **Public Forum:** No members of the public present.

3/2/26 **Declarations of interest in items on this agenda:** None

4/2/26 **Minutes:** The minutes of the parish council meeting held on January 15th 2026 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

5/2/26 **Casual Vacancy:** The clerk had advertised the vacancy. To date there had been no applicants for co-option.

6/2/26 **Report from the Officer of the Council:** Cllrs noted the contents of the clerk's report.

7/2/26 **Correspondence:** Cllrs noted the correspondence in the clerk's report.

In connection with a parishioner's offer to replace a bench in Randwick Woods the council noted that the National Trust's policy was to 'no longer install any memorial benches across its Cotswold properties'.

Action: The clerk to contact the parishioner suggesting he tell the NT that that the bench in question was not a memorial bench.

8/2/26 **Questions from Councillors:** Cllr Tyson reported that a section of a retaining wall in Ash Lane was crumbling.

Action: The clerk to notify GCC Highways.

Cllr Boldero reported that there was a blocked gully in Redhouse Lane that she would report to GCC.

Cllrs asked whether there was any information about the development of Tricorn House in Cainscross into flats.

Action: The clerk to ask District Cllr Edmunds.

9/2/26 **District and County Councillors' reports:** District Cllr Jon Edmunds and County Cllr Craig Horrocks had sent written reports.

10/2/26 **Lease for Randwick Playing Fields:** 'Fields in Trust' had to agree to change the deed of covenant before a new lease could be drawn up between the council and

RVH&PFC. The clerk had written to Fields in Trust asking for clarification of their fees before submitting a 'Field Change Request'. FIT had included the village hall in the covenant applying to the playing fields but it should not have been included. FIT would not accept that the inclusion of the village hall was an administrative error on their part. FIT's minimum charge for a Field Change Request application was £400.

Resolved: To await the outcome of a RVH&PFC meeting taking place at the same time as the PC meeting.

11/2/26 **Local Government reorganisation:** Cllrs considered whether to compile a whole-council response to the consultation on Gloucestershire's Local Government Reorganisation proposals and agreed not to respond.

12/2/26 **Planning:**

a) **Planning applications:**

S.26/0003/FUL Far Westrip Farm , Erection of roofs over the collecting yard, where cows wait to be milked, joining on to existing milking parlour and silage barn. No comment.

S.26/0071/HHOLD - 21 Humphreys Close – Erection of single storey rear extension. No comment.

S.26/0118/HHOLD - Cawsand Church Road - Erection of a first-floor extension, installation of solar panels, and a summer house. No comment.

Noted

Withdrawn - S.25/1700/HHOLD Inshallah, Church Road - Erection of a front balcony and dormer extension.

Prior approval refused S.25/2442/AFPA - Erection of a general-purpose agricultural storage building - Land Parcel To West Of Humphreys End Ruscombe Road

S.26/0139/MINAM - Non-material amendment to S.24/1041/HHOLD - relocation of timber boundary fence and retaining wall.

S.24/1401/HHOLD – 1 The Cottage Westrip - Erection of a garden room and boundary fence with associated retaining structure (Retrospective)

b) **Community Speedwatch:** Cllr Alun Davies had had one response to a request for volunteers to join the group. The group had not carried out any further surveys.

c) **Vehicle Activated Speed Sign:** The sign had become faulty. Cllrs considered whether a replacement was necessary and whether a sign that recorded speed data was necessary, given that the average speeds recorded at sites in the parish since the sign was installed were consistent

Action: The clerk to get information and prices about signs that lit up but didn't include data recording.

*d) **Signage about parking:** Cllrs considered some correspondence from parishioners about parking of trailers and motorhomes at Randwick Village Hall. The council considered whether to put signs there restricting parking.*

***Actions:** Cllr Dooley to draft wording for a sign. The clerk to ask Whiteshill and Ruscombe Parish Council about the signage at Whiteshill Playing Field and to get a quotation for signs at Randwick.*

*13/2/26 **Finance:***

*a) **Bank reconciliation:** Cllrs considered the bank reconciliation for January. Closing balance at January 31st was £43706.45.*

*b) **Financial regulations:** The current contractor for playing fields maintenance was local, had been satisfactory and comparative quotations in the past had not been lower. The clerk recommended accepting the quotation from SGMS (T W Hawkins and Sons).*

***Resolved:** Under Financial Regulation: 5.12 Councillors decided to waive financial regulations relating to contracts to enable a price to be negotiated without competition.*

*c) **Grounds maintenance:***

***Resolved:** To accept the quotation from SGMS.*

*d) **Trees at Finn's Way:** Cllrs considered a quotation for removing trees at Finn's Way and replacing a stolen tree sapling:*

***Resolved:** To accept the quotation from Gardiners Tree Surgery.*

The tree surgeon had recommended leaving the ground at Chapel Fields where a rhus tree had been felled to recover and then to plant a hedge there rather than another tree.

*14/2/26 **Heritage Trail:** Cllr Newman showed councillors a digital copy of the draft leaflet she had produced, which would be circulated to councillors, and invited councillors to add any comments for her to consider.*

*15/2/26 **Items delegated to the clerk and items for the next agenda:** as above.*

*16/2/26 **Orders for payment:***

SGMS (Hawkins) Cutting hedge and brambles at Randwick Playing Fields

Gardiners Tree Surgery Trees surgery at Chapel Fields

Parish Online Subscription

CPRE Subscription

GCC (Cashes Green School) Room hire

Golden Valley Stump Removal Removal of trees stumps at Randwick Playing Fields

C Curtis February monthly contract payment

B Parsons February salary less tax due in the 4th quarter

*17/2/26 **Next meeting:** Thursday March 19th at Randwick Village Hall*

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Signed:

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