



RAMSGREAVE PARISH COUNCIL – ORDINARY MEETING

c/o: 44 St Huberts Street, Great Harwood, Lancashire, BB6 7BE

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Thursday 27 November 2025 at 7pm

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllrs. Kathryn Berzins, Nabila Parekh, Ken Schooley, Rashida Bahadur and Sandie Dent (Clerk)

MINUTES

1	Standing items	Apologies for absence	Tony Perkins
2		Approve minutes of last meeting	Approved – agreed by all.
3		Declarations of interest	None
4		Public participation	None
5		Finance Report	<p>Finance report approved – agreed by all.</p> <p>Coffee Group: KB has asked neighbouring PCs for an ongoing contribution towards providing a warm space for the Group who are having to move out of the Methodist Church when it closes. RPC successfully applied to RVBC for Warm Space and Xmas Lunch grants, receiving £400 and £100 respectively.</p> <p>Agreed: RPC will add the surplus from previous years' ring-fenced Xmas Lunch grant fund to the £100, providing a total donation of £200 to the Coffee Group for Xmas Lunch. The £400 Warm Spaces grant will go towards their rent for a new venue. RPC will commit to an ongoing donation of £200/year to the group from 2026.</p> <p>Budget & Precept: Draft budget agreed, subject to an increase in allocation for Lengthsman from general reserves to cover strimming costs previously funded by the Local Development Fund which is no longer available. Councillors discussed and agreed there should be no raise to the Precept for 2026-7.</p>
6	Items	Planning	Salesbury View planning application has again been resubmitted with no modifications to several areas of concern raised by residents and the PC. KB will respond again, raising the same concerns, and will share the response on Facebook for others to use.

7		Highways	KB met with Eddie Mills from Highways dept and walked the road, though not possible to organise the visit to coincide with peak traffic times. He advised the road is not classed as a priority. Suggested trying to get S106 money where available. He did agree to try and do something about the 30mpm signs by Isle of Man, get the hedge cut back, and maybe get white lines painted on the road. Permission granted from all three residents to install signage on their walls to deter parking on the lane behind Moorfield Ave. KB will now order signs. An additional sign for the turning point at the end of Moorfield also needed following contact from a resident to say it is being regularly blocked, causing a safety hazard for emergency access vehicles.
8		Public rights of way	Applethwaite Aftercare Team have advised they've restored original stile. KB had contacted the Environment Fund for kissing gates but the grant is closing and they said no. KB will advise the farmer that he needs to fix his fence along the path up the hill. Dry stone wall is still down there but it is pointless to fix it until the fence is fixed.
9		Outstanding repairs	Glengreave Road sign has fallen off. KB will report this.
10		Lengthsman duties	Lengthsman is strimming to clear signs near the bridge.
11		Public engagement: newsletter, notice boards, social media	None.
12		Allotment update	Received an award from Britain in Bloom and a certificate for this should arrive soon.
13		Volunteers: litter picking and gardening group	None
14		Feedback from other agencies	None
15		Governance/other	Need to find an alternative venue for PC meetings as Methodist Church is closing. Clerk will speak with Holy Souls and Trinity churches to get prices and availability. Councillors will discuss and decide at next meeting.
16		Next meeting date	Thursday, 5 February 2026

Meeting closed 20:30

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