

Kings Ripton Parish Council

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A Meeting of Kings Ripton Parish Council¹ held on Monday 2nd March 2026 at 7.00pm at:
Kings Ripton Village Hall, School Lane, Kings Ripton, PE28 2NL

Members: 5 Quorum: 3

MINUTES

Present; Philip Rayner - Chairman (PR), Rebecca Rayner (RR), Judy Embly (JE),
Samantha Sharp – Clerk (SS) and 1 member of the public

0051/03-26 To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Cllr Lowe – County Councillor

Paul Bassitt (PB) - Accepted

0052/03-26 To receive Disclosable Interests Declarations.

Members of the Council are subject to the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interest) Regulations 2012. All dispensation requests must be made to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

RR and PR for any items involving Glebe Farm.

0053/03-26 Public participation.

To allow up to 10 minutes (2 minutes per person) for any members of the public and councillors declaring the existence and nature of a prejudicial interest to address the meeting in relation to the business on this agenda.

Pathfinder walk – details to be circulated – June 2026

Private path being used by members of the parish

20mph limit disappointment in it not coming to fruition

0054/03-26 To receive an update from the Local County Councillor.

Appendix A

0055/03-26 To receive an update from the Local District Councillors.

LGR – Consultation open with 4 option – Share your response.

Grey food bins delivered to all residents.

Extended budget meeting has taken place and published.

¹Local Government Act 1972, schedule 12, paragraph 7 (2).

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0056/03-26 To approve minutes of the meeting on 12th January 2026.

Minutes circulated and online for Parishioners and Councillors.

RR Proposed

PR Seconded

All In Favour

RESOVLED

0057/03-26 Matters arising from previous meetings.

0057/03-26.1 Camp Beagle Protest – Clerk

No further updates

0057/03-26.2 Highways issues – Clerk

Potholes were filled over the last 7 days

Multiple potholes still outstanding – B1090 is of high concern

JE to complete a pothole survey

0058/03-26 Finance

0058/03-26.1 To approve accounts for payment.

£80.00 Allotment Society

0058/03-26.2 Monthly bank reconciliations

£20858.72 in the current account.

0059/03-26 To resolve the next steps regarding the land at Priory Cottage

Membership to National Allotment Society set up for payment.

When the membership is confirmed we will access the free legal advice for further information.

0060/03-26 To resolve the next steps regarding Heating for the Village Hall

The Council will write a letter of support for the Village Hall for the Planning Department.

0061/03-26 To note all Parishioners whom would like to stand for election for Kings Ripton Parish Council, must submit their applications by 4pm Thursday 9th April 2026 directly to Huntingdonshire District Council

Councillors to hand their completed applications to the Clerk to be submitted.

0062/03-26 Matters as agenda items for future consideration

No decision can be made under this item²

0063/03-26 To note the dates of the next Parish Council meetings.

- Monday 20th April

Meeting Closed – 2032

² Local Government Act 1972, s12 10(2) (b)

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Appendix A

County Report – March 2026

**Highways Officer: Richard Kingston
Stannard**

Tree Officer: Emma

**All HWYS issues must 1st be reported on
www.highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk**

0345 045 5212 – Highways number for updates/issues/reporting

**Chasing of HWYS issues pls send to Alex.Beckett@cambridgeshire.gov.uk cc in
me**

BUDGET: At full council meeting on Tues 10 Feb, we reviewed the budget proposals, with all six parties submitting amendments. The Conservatives proposed reallocating £3.9m from the Transformation budget to Highways—£1m for potholes, £1m for peat roads, £900k for gullies & culverts and £1m for Earith Causeway—arguing this was more necessary than maintaining a 28-person Comms Team. Our amendment, along with all others, was voted down by the Lib Dems.

2026/27 20mph funding prog open for new applications & for existing unsuccessful applications to review, update and reapply if they wish. **Deadline: 5pm Fri 27 March 2026**

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/roads-and-pathways/improving-the-local-highway/20mph-funding> Any questions/comments
Local.Projects@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

ENVAR – no planning application submitted or advice sought relating to Energy from Waste (EfW) facility and no meetings or correspondence with Envar about it.

PlanningDC@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Wheatsheaf Crossroads – update from Head of Complex Infrastructure:

The project team is close to finalising land negotiations, which will allow construction of the new crossroads to begin. The 50mph speed limit has already been introduced, and monitoring shows good compliance, with typical speeds between 46–48mph. Near-miss and collision data indicate generally positive driver behaviour: only two hard-braking events were recorded in the past year, and recent collision figures show a small number of slight and serious injuries between 2023 and 2025.

Central Government Consultation on LGR options. Please ensure you have your say whether by completing the online form [Consultation on Proposals for Local](#)

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[Government Reorganisation in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government - Citizen Space](#) or sending an email to LGRconsultationresponse@communities.gov.uk

Volunteers needed for school place appeal panels when children are not offered their preferred school. **No prior education experience is required** — full training and support are provided. Volunteers should be able to: Communicate well, Treat people equally, Ask effective questions, Analyse information, Weigh evidence, Work as part of a team.

Computer literacy is helpful (appeals are currently held online via Microsoft Teams).

No minimum time commitment — volunteers choose how much time they can give. Appeal hearings run throughout the year, with **peak months April–July**. Can be 1/2-day or full-day.

Anyone interested can contact Clare.cronk@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or visit the council's website.