Abbots Ripton Parish Council

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Meeting of Abbots Ripton Parish Council[1] held on Tuesday 16th September 2025 at 7.00pm at: Abbots Ripton Village Hall, Abbots Ripton, Huntingdon PE28 2PF

Attendees; Chairman Councillor Steve Brown, Councillor Kevin Mills, Councillor Victoria Wilson, Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer Samantha Sharp.

Members: 6 Quorum: 3

MINUTES

0051/09-25 To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Vice Councillor Darren Carter – Approved

Councillor John Kelly – Approved

Councillor Miranda Eastbury - Approved

0052/09-25 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.

None

Meeting Closed - 1901

0053/09-25 Public participation.
To allow up to 10 minutes (2 minutes per person) for any members of the public and councillors declaring theexistence and nature of a prejudicial interest to address the meeting in relation to the business on this agenda.

Meeting Open - 1901

0054/09-25 Reports from District and County Councillors
HDC released information regarding a Community Events grant.
2 bins to delivered to residents for all food waste, collection every week from April.
New Council reform - several options which include Huntingdonshire, Peterborough, Fenland and East Cambs. This is still open to consultation.
Local Plan should be with the inspectorate by December 2026. Consultation should be available during November 2025.

0055/09-25 To approve minutes of the meeting on 12th August 2025

Minutes circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

KM Proposed

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

SB Seconded
All in Favour
RESOLVED

0056/09-25 Matters arising from minutes of 12th August

0056/09-25.1 Property Maintenance
Gates have been replaced.

0056/09-25.2 Street Light in Wennington
Nothing to report – In progress.

0056/09-25.3 Internal Audit Check List Status
Still in progress.

0056/09-25.4 Rail Disaster Memorial Feature
Storyboard drafted and being checked for copyright regarding the images. Councillor Brown has a cost of £1500.00 to create and install the board. Councillor Wilson to send details of a local artist who can support this project.

0056/09-25.5 Website Status
Designated named contact at Zen. Slow process but looking promising to being back online imminently. This is a priority for the Council.

0056/09-25.6 School Sign Correspondence
No correspondence received from Highways, however the office of Paul Bristow – Mayor of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough has responded to the Council offering support and will inform them of any correspondence received. Councillor Ross Martin has a meeting with the Director and Deputy Director of Highways in October 2025.

0057/09-25 Appointments to Outside Bodies – Councillor Reports

0057/09-25.1 Village Hall
New member from the Estate to join the committee. Lease has been signed for the field – this coincides with the renewal of the lease in 2028.

0057/09-25.2 Flood Forum
Nothing to report.

0057/09-25.3 Alconbury Weald
Quarterly newsletter was sent to all households in the Parish. Development is in Phase 2 at the other end of the site.

0058/09-25 Finance

0058/09-25.1 Monthly bank reconciliations
August bank reconciliation circulated to Councillors, approved and signed by the Chairman.

0058/09-25.2 Bank Mandate – Update
Personal details of Councillor Eastbury required to add her to the mandate.

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0059/09-25 To discuss the public consultation and potential design plans for the Playground of Jubilee Park

Councillor Kelly and Carter unavailable during the meeting. A draft consultation document circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting. Survey to be uploaded to the website and also a flyer put through all households requesting their input. Speaking to the Primary School is also an option for distribution of the survey.

0060/09-25 Correspondence received

Defibrillator to be checked by Councillor Brown.

0061/09-25 Matters as agenda items for future consideration
No decision can be made under this item[2]

None

0062/09-25 To note the dates of the next Parish Council meetings.

- Tuesday 14th October
- Tuesday 25th November – Budget Approval
- Tuesday 6th January 2026
- Tuesday 3rd March
- Tuesday 14th April

Meeting Closed - 2010

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