



Grindleton Parish Council

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**Minutes of the meeting of Grindleton Parish Council
held on Tuesday 6th May 2025 at 7.00pm at The
Pavillion, Sawley Road, Grindleton.**

Members present: Parish Cllr L Halley (Chair)
Parish Cllr G Wheeler (Vice Chair)
Parish Cllr P Atkinson
Parish Cllr S Walsh

Clerk in attendance: T Boswell

Members of the public present: None

Apologies: Parish Cllr C Brennan
Parish Cllr M Haslam
Parish Cllr T Bramwell

1 Apologies for absence

As above.

2 Declarations of Pecuniary, Other Registrable and Non-Registrable
Interests

a) Standing Orders suspended

Cllr Walsh declared a Non-Registrable Interest in planning
application discussed in Item 9 a) ii.

Standing Orders resumed

b)

3 Public Participation

None.

4 Minutes/Matters Arising

- a) To resolve that the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 1st April 2025 be signed as a correct record.

Proposer: Cllr Wheeler

Seconder: Cllr Walsh

Resolved:

Members agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 1st April 2025 should be signed as a correct record and published on the Parish Council website.

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Actions taken/matters arising since the last meeting (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)

b)

Members reviewed the open action log and reported on progress since the last meeting. These were captured by the Clerk on the list retained by her.

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5 Overview of financial position

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Draft budget proposed for 2025/26

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The Clerk presented a draft budget for 2025/26 at the AGM on 6th May 2025, this identified key areas of income and expenditure and a rationale for allocating appropriate sums to each budget heading.

Member completed a detailed review of this at the AGM and requested a number of revisions and updates to ensure robust financial control and accurate reporting on a quarterly basis.

Resolved:

Clerk to revise and bring to June meeting for formal adoption.

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6 Governance

a) Resignation of Vice Chair and Parish Councillor

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Cllr Wheeler confirmed that he wishes to remain a member of the Parish Council, but to stand down from the role of Vice-Chair due to work commitments.

Resolved:

Cllr Wheeler to retain his position as a member of the Parish Council.

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Annual Governance and Accounting

b)

Members had reviewed the draft AGAR Form 2 at the AGM held immediately before this meeting and approved for return to the

c) external auditors. The Form was signed by the Chair and Clerk.

Resolved:

Clerk to submit Form 2 to the external auditors.

Public Consultation for a Revised Statement of Community Involvement

Clerk

d)

Resolved:

Members were directed to review the Statement on RVBC's website via the link provided and to submit comments via the link.

All
Members

7 Update from Ward Councillor present

Borough Cllr Kevin Horkin MBE (RVBC) was not in attendance at the meeting.

Resolved:

Clerk to contact Cllr Horkin to ensure invitation and meeting dates have been received.

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8 Improving Council effectiveness

The Chair updated Members on a complaint raised by a resident to local police about anti-social behaviour by youths on and around the car park. All present acknowledged the police response and follow up actions as helpful in keeping the village roads safe and protecting young people involved.

9 Planning applications to be considered

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a) Since the last meeting Members had responded by email that no objections were raised to the following applications:

(i) 3/2025/0183: Avondale, Sawley Road,
Grindleton BB7 4QS

(ii) 3/2025/0041: Acrelands, Sawley Road,
Grindleton BB7 4QS

10 Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme

No report

11 Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition

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Members were advised that this starts at the beginning of June.

12 Public Rights of Way

(i) **Green Lane FP 0321052 heritage stone stile removal**

Members were advised that this has been reported and that a response is pending.

13 Allotments

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No report.

14 Other Business Items

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c) B4RN

Members were advised that this is progressing at pace in the village with works currently underway on Main Street and in the field at Stonehill.

Spring Fair

- d) Members were informed that this is a free village event organised by GRGC and open to all, the intention being that any income will come from bar sales. Members were advised of headline costs of holding the event and Cllr Wheeler requested consideration of any funding from the Parish Council.

Members discussed the principles of funding events and concluded that applications for grant funding would be considered more favourably where the Parish Council had been invited to work collaboratively from the planning and start of event planning.

Members agreed that in the absence of a definitive policy all applications would be considered on individual merit.

Members concluded that on this occasion it could not offer any direct financial support to the event but that it would be fully supported by the attendance of Parish Councillors.

Resolved:

Cllr Wheeler will report back to the event organisers.

Mobile Library Service

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Members were informed that this had not operated in the village since towards the end of last year.

Resolved:

- e) **Cllr Walsh will make enquiries about the service and future plans.**

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Remote access to meetings

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Cllr Wheeler explained that his work commitments made his [physical attendance at meetings problematic and asked whether the opportunity to hold meetings remotely using Teams or Zoom for those unable to attend in person could be explored.

Resolved:

Members agreed that this was worthy of exploring, Clerk to investigate options.

Grant opportunity from RVBC

The Chair informed Members that a grant opportunity from RVBC had been circulated to the Parish Council, the exact terms and conditions for accessing this were not fully known.

Resolved:

Chair to investigate further.

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The next meeting of Grindleton Parish Council will take place at 7.00pm on Tuesday 3rd June at The Grindleton Pavillion

This meeting closed at 10.00pm.

Signed by:


Date: Cllr L Halley

