

PARISH OF RENHOLD



Minutes of RENHOLD PARISH COUNCIL meeting held on Thursday 19th June 2025 at 7.00pm at Renhold Village Hall, Wilden Road

<u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u> Parish Councillors Mrs. Dean, Mrs. Roberts Mr. Warwicker, Mrs. Gribble (Chair), the Clerk, and five members of the public were present.

Item	Minutes of discussions and resolutions	Actions and Responsibility
1	WELCOME BY CHAIR, APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST FOR THE MEETING TO BE MADE Cllr. Gribble welcomed all to the meeting, thanking everyone for attending. Parish Councillor apologies received and accepted from Mrs. Brunsden, Mrs. Cardinale and Mr. Rayner. No new declarations of interest received for the meeting. The Chair adjourned the meeting at this point	
2	OPEN FORUM – MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO SPEAK Suggestion of having signage at Church End traffic lights to notify road users you need to pull up close to the lights to trigger the sensors. Update sought on village entrance gates on Ravensden Road work, Andrew Prigmore had informed Borough Cllr. Gribble in the next three months. Update sought on Speed Indicator Device on Ravensden Road, continues to be reported to manufacturer, noted is out of warranty but they continue to assist. Feedback given on Parish Council website and communication list. The Chair reconvened the meeting at this point	Cllr. Gribble
3.1	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN WORKING GROUP PRESENTATION REGARDING REGULATION 16 STAGE:- Final draft document had been shared, Councillors had been welcomed to review and raise question on the document being presented for Regulation 16. The Working Group Chair presented to those present on the volunteer efforts poured into creating the document, Councillors expressed grateful thanks to all involved in the process, appreciating the work that has gone in. Councillors voted, unanimously agreeing to approve the document for moving to a Regulation 16 consultation, resolution passed. Next steps include submission to local authority for the document to go to examination with an inspector to be appointed, with a referendum expected to take place in 2026. Those present noted the latest local authority communication regarding the Local Plan, those present mindful of Universal Studios announcement, consideration of local impact on site EM6 for new business park previously allocated in the drafted Borough Council Local Plan.	WG to action
3.2 a)	PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT - for full Council to agree responses to: It was noted that information had been shared with all Councillors ahead of the meeting regarding applications and some Councillors had undertaken a site visit to some of the applications. APPLICATION NO:-25/01116/FUL Single storey side extension to existing detached garage at Sundorne 27 Wilden Road — Councillors reviewed the documents, unanimously agreed no comment on the proposal, resolution passed.	

b)	APPLICATION NO:- 25/00982/LBC Replacement of rear door and window with French doors on the extended part of the cottage at 8 Green End - Councillors reviewed the documents, unanimously agreed to raise concerns with the application, the proposals are not in keeping	Clerk to action
	or sympathetic to the building, its setting, or materials of other windows, resolution passed.	CIEFK to action
3.3	Planning and Development: to consider Applications and agree responses to Applications received after the publication of the agenda if applicable – none received.	
4.	BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORT Update on Borough Council Local Plan expected to be withdrawn, Clerk had shared latest communications on this between Inspector and local authority Officer with Councillors. Cllr. Gribble had attended Black Cat works tour, very interesting looking at the environmental aspect. Septic tank emptying clarity was raised and discussed. Wokr items that remain ongoing noted: Ward Fund update on silver birch replacement with a different species in Green End to be secured through the Ward Fund, this is with the Borough Council Officer and will include care for two years, awaiting to be planted, no update. Green End dog waste bin being better positioned and bin request for Water End for across the roundabout in the layby at Water End which is to be installed, this has been chased. Traffic flow through the parish discussed previously with the most recent traffic flow counts to be checked, agreed follow up was to ask local authority for data, Andy Prigmore had been contacted. Monitor Ravensden Road entrance gate, and associated work including markings, work being carried out by local authority, had been chased various times, the gates had also been chased. It was noted the sunken section of the road along Ravensden Road remains an issue, Cllr. Gribble has reported. The bridleway at the top of Markham Rise needs to be revisited by the local authority as there are some issues at present. There was a Councillor request for a walkround of Cranbourne Gardens to look at local issues, Cllr. Gribble to follow up.	Cllr. Gribble Cllr. Gribble Cllr. Gribble Cllr. Gribble
5. a)	FINANCE MATTERS TO INCLUDE Grant applications for consideration - Renhold Churchyard - completed application considered, unanimously agreed to donate £1896 to the Churchyard work, resolution passed. Renhold Chapel - completed application considered, Clerk asked to seek a breakdown of the total project costs, on the level of funds being sought, including clarity on alternative funding sources that have been explored plus contribution level from the Chapel.	Clerk to feedback Clerk to
b)	sources that have been explored, plus contribution level from the Chapel. Quotations to be considered and agreed —	feedback
c)	Invoices to be paid Renhold Churchyard grant donation £1896.00 Ltd Design Consultants NP update work £120.00 BRCC NP update work £150.00 BATPC Membership renewal £730.00 Backlight Ltd Administration service May £753.48 Keith Herkes reimbursement of NP expense £14.00 JCB Printing NP printing £5.60 Morgan Pells Farm grass cutting £1654.74 Renhold Village Hall hire charges £224.00 British Legion Dday wreath £25.00 Three SIM card payment £9.40 direct debit	Cllr. Gribble Clerk to action
d)	Councillors unanimously agreed to resolve the above items for payment and the ongoing Three direct debit. Resolution passed. Financial monitoring review	
	Clerk had shared the report, all items inline with expenditure at this point of the year it was noted.	
e)	Councillor Code of Conduct review and declaration - Councillors aCouncillors reviewed the Code of Conduct. Councillors unanimously agreed to approve the document, resolution passed. All Councillors present signed the document and then be placed on the Parish	

	Council website.	Clerk to action
6.	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING The Council unanimously agreed to sign as a true and accurate record, the Chair signed the minutes from 15 th May.	
	Matters arising were:	
	 Payment of accounts issued 	
	 Planning comments submitted 	
	 JP communication regarding Jubilee celebrations edit actioned on Parish Council website. 	
	 Awaiting copies of BFARe minutes to come through, having recently chased with Ward Councillor for Wyboston. 	Ongoing
	 To arrange an invite to the local MP for the Cranbourne Gardens development, Cllr. Gribble had sent invite. 	Monitor
	 It was agreed to explore options regarding the tree work at the War Memorial, Cllr. Gribble to follow up with landowner. 	Cllr. Gribble
	 Bank signatory work remains ongoing. 	
	The additional location highlighted to the police during the January meeting in the village that had been flagged within a hot spot area, that could be used for carrying out speed checks — Community Speedwatch Coordinator to share details of suggested location with PC Napoli, this had been actioned.	
	 Understanding the police resources available relating to enforcement of Traffic Regulation Orders as well as commercial weight restrictions in situ in Renhold with suggestion of using volunteer time to support with processing the follow up work generated, as well as offering volunteer time to do this. Appropriate safe access by a 	
	volunteer to the police database would be an item that would need clarifying to be followed up.	Ongoing
	The highways walkround with Borough Council Officer and Borough Councillor Jim Weir Deputy Mayor & Portfolio Holder for Environment, Highways & Transport summary report to be done by Cllr. Gribble to go on the Parish Council website.	Ongoing
	 Additional items raised during the highways walkround were: white markings had been placed in Green End seeking if these were related to forthcoming footway improvement works. 	Ongoing
	 Asset management document to be drafted. 	Cllr. Brunsden
	 Further reminder for all Councillors to insert their email signature as previously agreed. 	Ongoing
	Highways Officer in attendance at previous meeting, had followed up overhanging vegetation along St Neots Road, it was noted landowner had been contacted to clear the area. The items raised from the Deputy Mayor visit walkround items, these included items in Green End had not had 30mph painted on the floor, Officer was	
	chased.Clerk had sent communication to local ambulance service regarding the defibrillator	Monitor
	matter previously raised, remains unchanged, acknowledgment received, awaiting full response, has been chased. Therefore, drafted policy document work remains on hold it was noted.	Monitor
	 Making the Church End area by the school a red way could also be explored as a further solution. Idling car cards to be followed up by Cllr. Gribble. 	Cllr. Gribble
	 Charity Trustee representatives had been confirmed. 	
	 Annual electors meeting arrangements confirmed. 	
	 Community safety camera, new device waiting to be installed, with regular contact with supplier being maintained. 	
	 Defibrillator units what three words location shared, training event feedback to Community Heartbeat actioned. 	
	 Alternative Speed Indicator Device supplier units being explored. 	
	 Agreed up to £100.00 to enable purchase of remembrance roses for the War Memorial in light of the forthcoming celebration, had been fed back, roses had 	
	become unavailable unfortunately.External audit paperwork submission ongoing.	Monitor

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION RECEIVED **NALC Events Bulletin emails** BBC Planning weekly list email **CPRE** update emails **Bank statements** Crime statistics - forwarded to all **ERTA Voluntary Transport email** BBC Weekly Licensing list - Clerk has checked **CPRE** latest newsletter Renhold Magazine article submission and communications Various communications with website developer FC apologies for the June Parish Council meeting – noted NBB Recycled Furniture promotional emails Communication with contractor regarding CCTV Community Safety Camera for Water End copied into Your Zurich Parish policy renewal communications Resident communication regarding remembrance roses – responded to **BBC Parish and Town Council Update** Three Your bill's ready communication invoice – agenda item National Highways UPDATE Important roadworks information: A421- Noise barrier replacement JCB Printing invoice – agenda item Resident communication regarding Grass Verge from 62 Green End to Renhold white gates responded to Renhold Village Hall invoice – agenda item BBC Planning letter for 25/00722/LBC - circulated, agenda item BBC Planning letter for 25/00721/FUL - circulated, agenda item BBC Average speed camera data April – circulated Councillor communications regarding Aspire April walkround copied into Resident concern regarding overhanging vegetation along Hookhams Lane – responded to, reported on to local authority Resident communications regarding speeding on Ravensden Road – responded to ICO - Renewal confirmation ICO:00010210845 Renhold Neighbourhood Plan communications regarding presentation to Parish Council circulated, agenda item Resident clarity on May Parish Council agenda item – responded to NP funding communications clarifying last grant and potential future grants Minutes of RNPWG Meeting 33 and Agenda for Meeting 34 Renhold Chapel grant application communications – circulated, agenda item Renhold Church grant application communication – circulated, agenda item BBC Rural Grant Officer communication on Chapel application – responded to Resident communication regarding Hookhams Lane planning application – responded to Reporting Back: a Liberal Democrat Newsletter for Parish and Town Councils Clapham Parish Council North Beds East West Rail meeting - circulated Resident communication regarding village gateway road safety sign at Ravensden Road responded to BBC Planning Application 25/00894/FUL - circulated, agenda item Planning Application 25/00845/FUL - circulated, agenda item RNPWG Land Register searches communications – agenda item Resident communication regarding car in stream – responded to, followed up Emailing: 2025.0606 RNPWG update May-June report for PC. Parish Councillor JR resident communication regarding Ravensden Park signage in parish responded to Resident communications regarding speeding on Ravensden Road - responded to Morgan Pells verge cutting invoice – circulated, agenda item BBC Planning Parish Consultation letter for 25/01116/FUL - circulated, agenda item **RNPWG** invoices agenda item, circulated Neighbourhood Plan Support Program discontinued by MHCLG Resident reported broken street sign – responded, followed up

Richard Fuller MP listed building meeting
Parish Councillor DR apologies for June meeting – noted
IDB maintenance programme information

Planning application decisions to be noted:

25/00722/LBC Proposed porch extension and single storey rear extension at White Cottage 52 Green End – Withdrawn

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25/00641/S73A Installation of dormer window to side, flat roof dormer to rear and side, alterations to approved dormers to front, alteration to approved driveway (parking) layout and external alterations. (Development already commenced) at Elmleigh 18 Wilden Road - Refused

8 Close of Meeting The next meeting to be Thursday 24th July 2025 at 7pm at the Village Hall. Meeting closed at 8.20pm.