

ROYDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 8th January 2026 at 7.00pm at Pott Row Village Hall

In Attendance:

Councillors: Michael Rae (Chair), Neville Fletcher, Colin Manning, Colin Nichols, Tim Tilbrook 1 member of public Clerk – Pippa Winson

100/25 To consider apologies for absence.

Apologies from S Pimlott and M Starling.

101/25 To consider Requests for Dispensations from the restriction on participating in the discussion or voting on a matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.

None.

102/25 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 6th November 2025.

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, the minutes were agreed and signed.

103/25 To record Councillors' declarations of interest on Agenda Items.

None.

104/25 Public Speaking.

(a) Borough/County Councillor Report: None.

(b) Members of the Public: Nothing to report.

105/25 Matters arising.

None.

106/25 Correspondence received (for info only).

Email from K Panks re the trees on the Common.

Various – via email.

107/25 Ground/Surface Flooding

Burst water main repair has been carried out.

108/25 Highways

Low Rd potholes repairs are very poor.

109/25 Hudson Fen Leisure

The next meeting will be January or February and the AGM is in March. The table tennis table has been repaired.

110/25 Roydon Common

(a) Looks neat.

(b) Trees – James Joyce has done a survey in the past and M Rae will ask him to do a survey to determine any works required.

(c) S Pimlott and C Nichols went to Kenneth Bush. On checking his own documentation C Nichols had the original sealed agreements and he will get copies. The lease states that it is personal to the licensee for £10 a year which has been paid by direct debit. The licence can't be passed onto a potential new owner. The agreements were made in 1985. It was agreed that the next step would be for councillors to arrange to visit and have a look at the site. Land registry records seem to indicate that the garage building is on the common rather than the land belonging to 40 Low Road.

111/25 Roydon Crossroads Bus Stop

S Pimlott has contacted Mr Sandle so await update on this. On the proposal to have a shelter, three voted for one and two against but unable to take this forward until consent received from landowner.

112/25 Village Litter Pick

T Tilbrook has brought some litter picking equipment which is available if anyone wants to borrow it. Next litter pick possibly the end of March.

113/25 Asset Maintenance

Noticeboard works, quotes pending. Suggested asking in Village Link magazine.

114/25 C.I.L – Potential Applications

Application window 1/3/26 to 1/5/26.

115/25 Defibrillator

Delivered, quote pending for installation.

116/25 Kings Coronation Tree

Plaque and tree guard will be installed when replacement tree planted.

117/25 Gov.Uk Email address

Some councillors still to set up.

118/25 Finance

(a) On proposal from C Nichols, all agreed to SLCC subscription renewal contribution of £55.30.

(b) Laptop cost £499.99 +VAT, clerk to check annual windows fee rather than a monthly subscription.

(c) No payments.

(d) Budget to be brought to next meeting but on proposal from C Nichols, all agreed to precept requirement for 26/27 of £7000.00.

119/25 Planning

No updates or applications to consider.

120/25 To receive Councillors Concerns and items for next meeting agenda.

None.

121/25 Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 5th March 2026 at 7.00pm.

Meeting closed 20.28pm

Chairman Date