

ROXBY CUM RISBY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 13 MAY 2026 AT 6.45 PM IN ROXBY COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT

Councillors: P Farmery (Chair), M Elwes, R Lockwood, P Maw, M Verran (Vice-Chair)
Ward Councillors: E Marper, R Ogg, H Rawson.
Clerk: J Curtis

One member of the public was present.

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and councillors introduced themselves.

2. TO RESOLVE THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD 7 MAY 2025

The minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Approved: MV

Seconded: RL

3. CHAIR'S REVIEW

The Chair read out her report.

Good evening and thanks to those who were able to attend tonight.

Apologies from me, if I have missed anything, but because of the stroke last November, I lost a few months. I am mostly fully recovered, but I have to admit that some things are still missing.

We are a very small council, and were delighted to welcome Mr Philip Maw to our ranks. He has already proved himself to be a valued member of our team. Charlie Webster continues to be invaluable at reporting fly-tipping etc to North Lincs Council. Unfortunately, this continues to be a big problem in the area, but we try to keep on top of it. A resident has kindly donated 2 cameras, but we are led to believe that there are problems in putting them up. Richard Lockwood regularly cuts our public rights of way and reports on the condition of benches etc for the annual safety reports.

Mike Verran attends the NATs meetings and the North Lincolnshire Green Energy Parks meetings. He also inspects the play park equipment every few months. Our two remaining councillors Philip Maw and Max Elwes don't have designated roles but like me continue to help where they can.

It became difficult to get past our magnificent horse chestnut with pushchairs and bikes, so we arranged for the park path to be extended slightly.

I must thank our parish clerk, Jo Curtis who makes my life so much easier. Jo continues to apply for appropriate grants from North Lincs Council and the National Lottery Fund. The latest of which is for the new noticeboards and plants for the tyres which we haven't received yet.

Roxby cum Risby Parish Council applied to have the 30 mph sign on Brackenholmes Road moved to the Roxby village sign beyond the farm gate. We hoped this would reduce speeding by the duck pond. Unfortunately, this was deemed unnecessary by Highways. Biffa have now submitted revised plans for the landfill site to continue for another 8 years concluding in 2034 with a further 8 years use for the railway sidings. Unfortunately, they are having difficulty obtaining soil to finish filling the void. Fortunately, we had a mild winter with very little snow and no flooding. Our village continues to grow slowly. But we have a hard job to get residents to join in village events, but we shall keep trying. Thank you.

4. OPEN FORUM

Discussion took place regarding the tree bordering the path into the play park. The path had previously been diverted to improve access due to the tree encroaching onto the walkway. Concerns were raised that the tree could pose a risk to the nearby property during high winds and storms.

It was reported that the gate between the graveyard and the play park has been damaged and is currently hanging on one hinge. Cllr Lockwood offered to inspect the gate with a view to carrying out a repair.

Cllr Verran reported receiving complaints from residents regarding damage to grass verges caused by contractors installing fibre-optic cabling. Although some remedial work had been undertaken, the condition of the verges remained unsatisfactory. The contractor had apologised and assured that the verges would be reinstated to their original condition. Ward councillors would contact the contractor to ensure the remedial work is completed to a high standard.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

MEETING CLOSED 7.20 pm