



**Grindleton Parish Council**

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**Minutes of the meeting of Grindleton Parish Council held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at 7.00pm at The Pavillion, Sawley Road, Grindleton.**

Members present:	Parish Cllr Lorraine Halley (Chair) Parish Cllr Tony Bramwell (Vice Chair) Parish Cllr Chris Brennan Parish Cllr Susan Walsh Parish Cllr Glenn Wheeler (dial in)
Clerk in attendance:	Tracey Boswell
Members of the public present:	None
Apologies:	Parish Cllr Paul Atkinson Parish Cllr Megan Haslam Borough Cllr Kevin Horkin MBE

1	<u>Apologies for absence</u>  Parish Cllr Paul Atkinson Parish Cllr Megan Haslam Borough Cllr Kevin Horkin MBE	
2	<u>Declarations of Pecuniary, Other Registrable and Non-Registrable Interests</u>  None	
3	<u>Public Participation</u>  None	
4	<u>Minutes/Matters Arising</u>  a) To resolve that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> August 2025 be signed as a correct record.	



	<p>RVBC website link; a brief discussion took place to between members on the content and circulation to consultees.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to: Review and return any comments to the Clerk by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Agreed that the clerk should submit a parish council response to RVBC by the deadline of Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025.</b></p>	Clerk
b)	<p><u>Have Your Say – The Future of Local Government</u></p> <p>Members were informed that the deadline for responses had passed, the Chair confirmed the survey had been shared.</p> <p>Cllr Susan Walsh gave a precis of the proposals and timeline which is that in mid-November proposals will go to central government, Cllr Walsh agreed to share the link so that councillors can ensure they have sight of the proposed changes.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to: Add ‘Boundaries’ as a standing item to all future agendas.</b></p>	Clerk
c)	<p><u>Lancashire County Council new on-line systems for reporting issues</u></p> <p>Members were advised of the new system and informed that the Clerk has registered for access.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to: Note new system and register individually via the website link shared.</b></p>	Cllrs
7	<p><u>Planning applications to be considered</u></p> <p>Members were requested to consider the following application: Planning Application No: 3/2025/0745 Grid Ref: 375906 445495 Proposal: Listed Building Consent for reinstatement of window and greenhouse in garden. Location: Duke of York Inn Grindleton Brow Grindleton BB7 4QR</p> <p><b>Members resolved to: Authorise the response to RVBC to confirm that there are no comments/observations/objections from the parish council.</b></p>	Clerk
8	<p><u>Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme</u></p> <p>The Chair informed members that she was looking to engage again with HARP and any UU representatives for Grindleton with a</p>	

	<p>view to inviting them to talk to members about the project as it has now reached a further stage in implementation.</p> <p>Cllr Tony Bramwell informed the group that as a resident he had received communication from HARP re the carrying out of surveys on selected properties and on the road structure, surveys due to commence 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to:</b>  <b>Contact HARP and establish who the lead(s) for the project for the Grindleton areas are.</b>  <b>Retain copies of all communications received by the parish council and residents (where it is shared) for the councils record repository.</b></p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>9</p>	<p><u>Footpaths</u></p> <p>a) <u>Resurfacing the permissive path at Grindleton</u></p> <p>Members reviewed the repairs needed to the path and considered the quote for repair costs.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to:</b>  <b>Approve the repairs and costs provided.</b>  <b>Cllr Bramwell, Vice Chair, to be the liaison for the carrying out of works whilst the Chair is on holiday.</b></p> <p>b) <u>Definitive Map Modification Order – footpath Sawley Road to Green End</u></p> <p>Members reviewed the correspondence from the Planning Inspectorate. It was noted that Cllrs Atkinson and Haslam, both absent from the meeting, would have an interest as residents nearby to the proposed changes.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to:</b>  <b>Note the correspondence and no action required by the parish council.</b></p> <p>c) <u>Excess water on Chapel Lane causing erosion</u></p> <p>The Chair reported a resident’s concern, and that she had taken photographs to show the situation. Members confirmed that this is a private road and therefore concluded that it is not a parish council responsibility.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to:</b>  <b>Note the residents concern and no action required by the parish council.</b></p>	<p>Cllr TB</p> <p>Cllrs</p> <p>Cllrs</p>

10	<p><u>Other reports submitted to LCC and other bodies</u></p> <p>a) <u>Yellow lights not working at Bowland High/Hydro Lodge</u></p> <p>The Chair informed the group that this has been reported on 'Love Clean Streets,' a site visit has been carried out and the yellow lights from the fixing box have been removed.</p> <p>b) <u>Foliage growing over solar panels</u></p> <p>The Chair informed the group that this refers to lights not solar panels, and that the unit has been removed by LCC.</p>	
11	<p><u>Lengthsman</u></p> <p>a) Members welcomed the services of A. West Services Limited (Alex West) appointed as Lengthsman wef 18<sup>th</sup> September 2025.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to: Request all documentation required for the appointment to be provided.</b></p> <p>b) Members discussed the approach from West Bradford to share Lengthsman services.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to: Seek approval from Alex West to share his details with West Bradford.</b></p>	<p>Chair</p> <p>Clerk</p>
12	<p><u>Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition</u></p> <p>Members noted that the village had not made it through to the final this year.</p>	
13	<p><u>Events</u></p> <p>The Chair updated members on a number of events held at the Pavillion.</p> <p>a) <u>Remembrance Sunday.</u></p> <p>Cllr Tony Bramwell confirmed that he has the wreath and will attend representing the parish council.</p> <p>b) <u>Christmas Lights</u></p> <p>The Chair updated members on the provisional plan which is for the tree to be decorated on the 21<sup>st</sup> October, and the switch on for the 5<sup>th</sup> December; the Chair requested that all councillors proceed with the plans to go ahead for the 5<sup>th</sup> December (once confirmed) in her absence.</p>	<p>Cllr TB</p>

	<p>A short task list was discussed and is summarised below:</p> <p>Master Blaster – Cllr CB  Hymn sheets – Chair to provide and Cllr SW to sort  Marshalls/High Vis jackets/cones – all from GRGC after the Bonfire Night event  Marshalls – Chair to give list if names to Cllr SW  Donations of mince pies/Glühwein/sweets for children – Cllr SW  Publicity on Facebook – Cllr GW  Switch on – Chair usually asks school to nominate a year 6 pupil</p> <p>In addition to the above it was agreed that an invitation would be sent to the Vicar.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to:  Work together in the absence of the Chair to implement the plan outlined above</b></p>	Cllrs
14	<p><u>Allotments</u></p> <p>Cllr TB updated members on response to tenant re request to move plots, and action to ask tenant to liaise directly with the owner of the tree.</p> <p>Cllr TB confirmed he will also liaise with tenants re switching the water off.</p> <p><b>Members resolved to:  Note the actions being led by Cllr TB</b></p>	Cllr TB  Cllrs
15	<p><u>Update from Ward Councillor present</u></p> <p>Borough Cllr Kevin Horkin MBE (RVBC) gave his apologies for the meeting as he was attending the Conservative Party conference in Manchester.</p> <p><b>Resolved:  Clerk to note.</b></p>	Clerk
16	<p><u>Other meetings</u></p> <p>Parish Liaison – Cllr Paul Atkinson to attend.</p> <p>LALC AGM – attendance not yet confirmed.</p>	
17	<p><u>Correspondence received</u></p> <p>None</p>	

18	<u>Other Business Items</u>	
a)	<u>Lunch Club Christmas Grant</u>	
	The Chair confirmed that details had been shared with Anne Huson as per the parish council commitment to ensure all relevant grant opportunities are shared.	
b)	<u>Solar Panel Survey</u>	
	The Chair informed members that the resident responsible for the survey had been invited to attend but was unavailable, in their absence the Chair summarised the issue as it relates to solar panels in Conservations Areas, and the reported overwhelmingly positive feedback from the survey as being in favour.	
	<b>Members resolved to: Contact RVBC for a position statement on solar panels and information/guidance to parish councils.</b>	Clerk
c)	<u>Welcome flyers</u>	
	The Chair confirmed that she had posted flyers to new residents.	
d)	<u>Heritage Trail</u>	
	The Chair informed members that the map is damaged, and a new map and board are required, total costs are not known, price for the map is £34.00.	
	<b>Members resolved to: Approve Cllr CB to approach resident for interest in case they can help.</b>	Cllr CB
e)	<u>Hub Business Board and map replacement</u>	
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f)	The Chair informed members that the footpath map is tired, costs to replace are £27.55. Also, that the board for local businesses to advertise needs replacing and proposed to relax the restrictions on advertisers.	
	<b>Members resolved to: Approve the expenditure to replace the footpath map. Agree to relax the restriction on advertisers for a trial period of six months.</b>	Chair
g)	<u>Penguin bookstore</u>	
	The Chair informed members that the issue with the flat roof has been resolved and the store will be back ~27 <sup>th</sup> October.	

<p>h) <u>Ribble Rivers Trust grant</u></p> <p>The Chair informed members of the successful grant application to clear the riverbank made by a resident. The Chair explained the benefits of taking a 'one village' approach and confirmed that she had extended an open invite to the resident so that plans could be discussed and shared to achieve the best outcomes.</p> <p>i) <u>Defibrillator</u></p> <p>The Chair brought councillors up to date on some vandalism of the defibrillator and the co-ordinated response from local bodies to address this. Members heard that some items were missing from the defibrillator and that arrangements had been made to replace these.</p> <p>A discussion re the advantages/disadvantages of replacing the current 'open access' defibrillators with access code ones was had, members concluded it was beneficial to continue with the 'open access' style.</p> <p>Members were advised that replacement defibrillator bags are iro £50.</p>		
<p>The next meeting of Grindleton Parish Council due to take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025 is deferred until February 2026.</p>		

This meeting closed at 10.30pm.

Signed by:		
	Date:	Cllr L Halley