***Ryton and Grindle Parish Council***

**Minutes of a meeting of Ryton and Grindle Parish Council held on Tuesday 25th March 2025 at 7.00pm at St Andrew’s Church, Ryton**

In attendance: Cllrs John Webb, Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis, Sarah Isbister, and the Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey)

* 1. **Chairman’s Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

* 1. **Apologies**

There were no apologies at this time

* 1. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest at this time

* 1. **Co-option**

There were none at this time

**82.24**  **Public Forum**

There were none at this time. Next meeting will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting.

* 1. **Shropshire Councillor’s Report**

There was none at this time. CllrAndrew Sherrington will not be standing in the Ward in the forthcoming elections.

* 1. **Minutes**

It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Thursday 28th January 2025 as a true record

**85.24** **Clerk’s Report**

This year’s Local Elections will take place on 1st May. The last day to put in papers at Bridgnorth library is the day following the meeting, and in Guildhall, Shrewsbury, afterwards.

Badger Parish Clerk has offered to put in a joint article to the local newsletter about the elections.

The Circuit has contacted the Parish Clerk about the defibrillator battery and that it might need replacing, Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis said he would check it. It was agreed to go ahead and replace it if this was required before the next meeting, up to £250.

**86.24** **Finance**

1. It was resolved approve the following payments:-

Clerk - £14.40 travel expenses for March

Clerk – Salary Q4

HMRC – Q4

1. It was resolved approve the Reconciliation and Bank Statements for end of month of January 2025
2. It was resolved to approve Receipts and Payments including income and expenditure spreadsheets to month of January 2025
   1. **Planning**

There were no planning notifications or planning decisions received between the publication of the Agenda and the meeting

Residents have complained to the Parish Council about alleged breaches of planning permission. It was agreed to contact Shropshire Council planning enforcement for their advice on this matter.

* 1. **Highways**

A resident had complained to the Parish Council about the amount of rubbish on the side of roads, particularly in the Albrighton direction. It had been questioned if the Parish Council could commission a litter pick. There was discussion on this point, it was noted that the litter could be cleared away one day and it could be untidy again the next.

Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis suggested that the Parish Council put on a litter pick on Saturday 12th April at 10am to 12pm, he would use What App to organize it.

It was agreed to purchase litter-picking equipment of up to £200 before the next meeting if it was considered necessary. The Parish Council has three litter pickers (although one has broken), and most people would have their own high-viz jackets.

The deteriorating condition of the A442 by the Sutton Maddock roundabout was noted. There is one pothole on the Cayton Road, otherwise potholes are not much of an issue in the Parish at the moment.

* 1. **Environment**

It was agreed to keep the contractors Riverwood for the year ahead.

* 1. **Correspondence**

There was none at this time

* 1. **Any other Parish Matters**

There was none at this time

* 1. **Date of Next Meeting**: *the next meeting will be held on 20th May 2025*