

RISBY PARISH COUNCIL

Financial Report 2025/26

The information presented below is provided to meet the requirements of the Transparency Code 2015.

Parish Councillors as of 31st March 2026

Derrick Abrey (Chairman)
 Ian Turner (Vice-Chairman)
 Chris Sutton (responsible for the allotments)
 Simon Gray
 Steve Smith
 Julian Read
 John Fairlie
 Ben Ramsay

Details of Public Land and Building Assets

The Council is responsible for the village greens, the 3 village ponds and the allotments in Aylmer Close.

Statement of receipts and payments and explanation of significant variances over 15%

	2024/25	2025/26	More than 15%	
Box 2 - precept	£16,755	£18,046	Y	Precept increased to build up reserves for future pond maintenance.
Box 3 - other receipts	£2,589	£3,023	Y	2024/25 - Allotment rent £456, wayleave payment £43, refund of phone costs from clerk's other councils £121.64, refund of pension costs £897, bank interest £326, VAT refund £745. 2025/26 - Allotment rent £440, wayleave payment £43, refund of phone costs from clerk's other councils £143, refund of pension costs £912, bank interest £310, VAT refund £711.
Payments	£6,447	£7,137	More than 15%	Explanation
Clerk's expenses	£57	£61	N	Amount varies depending on requirements
Phone costs	£151	£176	Y	Increase in annual contract. Cost shared between clerks 5 councils.
Subscriptions	£138	£138	N	No change
Internal audit fees	£75	£80	Y	Annual increase
Insurance	£655	£763	Y	Increase in cost by insurance provider.
GDPR	£35	£47	N	Increase in data protection fee.
Website	£120	£165	Y	Increase in cost by website provider.
Water bills for allotments	£122	£289	Y	Amount varies depending on usage.

Grass cutting	£2,060	£2,075	N	Amount varies depending on the number of cuts.
Annual tree survey	£355	£0	Y	Tree survey carried out every two years.
Tree works	£410	£0	Y	Tree survey carried out every two years therefore no findings to report.
Other payments	£240	£300	Y	2024-25 Donation to SARS £50, One of rental fee for clerk's new work printer £40, donation to West Suffolk Citizen's Advice £100, Royal British Legion poppy wreath and donation £50. 2025/26 - SARS £50, new grit bin £149, RBL £50, West Suffolk Citizen's Advice £50, HMRC late payment fee £0.98
Risby Village Hall	£500	£500	N	No change
Election costs	£0	£0	N	No change
Defibrillator maintenance	£359	£0	Y	Replacement battery purchased I 2024/25.
VAT paid	£711	£862	Y	Amount varies depending on expenditure. VAT is reclaimed.
Hedge cutting	£100	£0	Y	Included within grass cutting costs.
Bus shelter cleaning	£270	£0	Y	Risby PC no longer pays for bus shelter cleaning.
Village hall rental	£96	£90	N	
Bank charges	£12	£0	Y	One off overdraft charge.
Legal fees	£0	£110	Y	Rudlings LLP plan needed for registration of the Green.
Pond sampling	£0	£1,200	Y	Pond sampling to find out whether the silt in the pond contains hazardous chemicals so that RPC can determine how to dispose of it when the ponds are dredged.
Village project	£0	£281	Y	Purchase of a bench for Upper Green.

Asset value 2024/25	£55,574
Plus new assets purchased in 2025/26	
New bench	£281
Difference in cost of replacement grit bin	£31
Asset value in 2025- 2026	£55,886
Bank balances as of 31/03/2025	£22,071.64
Plus receipts	£21,069.24
Less payments	£14,785.74
Balance as of 31/03/26	£28,355.14
Current account balance as of 31/03/26	£1,412.42
Reserve account balance as of 31/03/26	£26,942.72
Balance as of 31/03/26	£28,355.14
