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14th May, 2026.

Mr. Chairman and Members,

The monthly **Public Meeting** of the Ramsey Town Commissioners will be held at 7.00 p.m. on **Wednesday evening next, 20th May, 2026**, in the Boardroom of the Town Hall, Ramsey.

BUSINESS:

1. Apologies for Absence:

Vacancies exist in both Wards – 3 in South and 1 in North

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- Board Meeting held on 15th April, 2026.
- Board Meeting – Annual Meeting held 1st May, 2026.

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10. Other Business:

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(by permission of Chairman – Standing Order 13 1(i) refers

- Matter(s) Raised by the Public
 - ❖ None Received
- Representative Report(s)
 - ❖ None Received



Town Clerk & Chief Executive

RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
[PUBLIC]

The Monthly Board Meeting of the Ramsey Town Commissioners was held in the Boardroom of the Town Hall, Ramsey, on Wednesday, 15th April, 2026, at 7.00p.m.

Present: Mesdames W. Bruchal, S. Cottam-Shea, E. L. Honey, E. L. Shimmin and Mrs. M. M. J. Webb; and Mr. C. J. Martin.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. A. J. Oldham, Chairman, Mrs. P. Johns-Garrett and Messrs. J. McGuinness and W. G. Young.

Two vacancies exist in South Ward. Ms. S. Cottam-Shea chaired the meeting.

The Deputy Town Clerk, Finance Officer, Technical Services Manager Housing and Property Manager, and Minute Clerk were in attendance.

(2025/26:344) Minutes:

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Ms. Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Honey, and carried nem con the Minutes of the monthly Board Meeting held on 18th March, 2026, be confirmed and signed.

(2025/26:345) Matters Arising:

A proposal put by Mr. Martin that part of the Deputy Town Clerk's report Events concerning Ramsey Sprint, be included in the private agenda be considered in public. This was seconded by Ms. Cottam-Shea and agreed nem con.

Matters for Information:

(2025/26:346) Action Tracker April, 2026:

Resolved: To note the "Action Tracker" to 11th April, 2026, subject to the following:

War Memorial – Mr. Martin queried progress – members were informed that the meeting referred to has not yet taken place and works cannot be progresses until a full specification is available.

Merger of Town Wards – Mr. Martin asked about benefits of the merger and any cost savings – Members were informed that the main benefit is that members represent the whole town rather than a specific ward; and any savings would depend on circumstances; by-election costs would increase not least because of postage requirements.

BMX Track – Mr. Martin queried progresses and commented on the difficulty in getting people to engage on a voluntarily basis. Members were advised that the Volunteer Policy needs to be in place and clarification sought with regard to appropriate insurance if the Commission is looking for volunteers to maintain, or organise events at, the BMX course.

Claughbane Public Open Space – Mrs. Honey proposed that the matter be removed from the Action Tracker. This was seconded by Mrs. Bruchal and carried nem con. Members were advised that a few matters still required attention but that the item would be removed upon completion of these.

Volunteer Policy – Mrs. Honey queried progress on preparation of this policy – members were advised that it was ¾'s progressed. Ms Shimmin queried insurance requirements occasions when companies undertook corporate voluntary work – members were informed that it is understood that on occasions such as these companies did so under their own insurance – but that would need to be investigated. It was suggested that the Volunteer policy should have some disclaimers.

Chapel Lane Car Park – Mr. Martin drew attention to alleged sub-letting of the Commission's reserved car parking spaces at Chapel Lane. The Deputy Town Clerk undertook to liaise with Mr. Martin to obtain further information and report back to the Board.

West Quay Defences – Mrs. Honey commented that this matter appeared twice on the Action Tracker – members were informed that this happened on occasions and indicated that the tracker will be “tidied” if members authorised it. It was proposed by Mrs. Honey seconded by Ms Cottam-Shea that the Action Tracker be “tidied” as required.

Ramsey and District Cottage Hospital – Mrs. Honey asked if the Minister for the Department of Infrastructure could be invited to the meeting to which the Minister for Health and the Chief Executive for Manx Care have been invited (a mutually convenient date for which is trying to be scheduled); to give a schedule for the works required at Ramsey and District Cottage Hospital. Mr. Martin declared an interest.

Albert Road Car Park – Mr. Martin queried continued use of this area for car parking – the Housing and Property Manager advised that we could continue to use it for car parking until conclusion of TT 2026 and for use as a base for a forthcoming event. A formal proposal put by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Webb and agreed nem con that such action be authorised.

Mountain Road Closures - Mr. Martin asked if the Department of Infrastructure had been written to about the frequency and nature of Mountain Road closures – the Deputy Town Clerk confirmed that they had and the reasons for closures on safety and environmental grounds.

(2025/26:347) Ruinous Buildings Register April, 2026:

Resolved: To note the “Ruinous Building Register” to 10th April, 2026, subject to the following:-

Mr. Martin asked if some of the timescales pertaining to certain properties listed within the “Register” could be investigated.

Finance and General Purposes:

(2025/26:348) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Street Traders Licence – “The Hutch”

Members considered the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated “7th March,” 2026, concerning the request made by “The Hutch” to obtain a street traders licence to enable trading from a plot on West Quay between the Trafalgar and Commercial Hotels, during the 2026 TT Festival.

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Ms Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Bruchal and agreed nem con, permission be granted.

(2025/26:349) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Street Traders Licence – South Beach Coffee:

Members considered the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated 7th April, 2026, concerning the request made by “De Ja Brew” to obtain a street traders licence to enable trading from Queen’s Promenade during times when Wild Coffee, for whom a licence has already been approved, is unable to trade. It was noted that the Lead Member and Deputy had already approved the request to enable continuity.

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Mrs. Webb seconded by Ms Cottam-Shea and carried nem con, the action of approving the licence be ratified.

(2025/26.350) Finance Officer’s Report:

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Mrs. Webb, seconded by Ms Cottam-Shea, and agreed nem con, the Finance Officer’s report dated 8th April, 2026, subject to the following:

Accounts – Ms Cottam-Shea’s query concerning expenditure on legal fees was explained to members’ satisfaction.

(2025:26:351) Technical Assistant’s Report – Town Warden:

Resolved: To note the Technical Assistant’s report dated 7th April, 2026, detailing enforcement actions addressed by the Town Warden of the last three months.

Mr. Martin queried progress with regard to implementing town byelaws with regard to campervans and in so doing inferred that others chose not to pursue penalty infringements involving visiting vehicles. In response to further query from Mr. Martin it was confirmed that the town warden is no longer in the employ of the Commissioners and that further investigation will be required with regard to Mr. Martin’s inference concerning application of penalties.

Works and Development:

(2025/26:352) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Beach Cast Seaweed:

Members considered the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated 7th “March”, 2026, concerning the request by the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture for the Commission’s views in response to a request made to the Department about the removal of seaweed by local farmers.

Resolved: That following a proposal by Ms Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Webb and agreed nem con, further information be requested.

(2025/26:353) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Waste Strategy 2025 – 2035:

Members considered the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated 7th “March”, 2026, concerning the request by the Interim Head of Waste Management for comments on the Waste Strategy 2025 – 2035.

Ms Shimmin expressed her concerns in trying to establish a recycling centre in Ramsey. Members were reminded about the “bring” site at Station Road Car Park and that a proposal to have recycling facilities at a location within town had been objected to by nearby residents.

Mr. Martin suggested that a Committee be formed comprising 3 or 4 members of the Commission to look at strategies concerning waste management. Mr. Martin was advised to present this matter as a Notice of Motion for future consideration.

Ms Shimmin proposed that the Commission commented that encouraging recycling when compared to the need to provide energy from waste seemed contradictory; and query the reasoning of the strategy if there are financial burdens. The proposal was seconded by Mr. Martin and carried on the casting vote of the Deputy Chairman.

Ms Shimmin, Ms Cottam-Shea and Mr. Martin voted in favour of the response; Mesdames Bruchal, Honey and Webb voted against.

(2025/26:354) Planning Applications:

Resolved: To note the Technical Services Manager’s Report dated 8th April, 2026, detailing planning applications received from the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture, under the planning consultation procedures, subject to the following:-

RTC Board Meeting –15th April, 2026, Public Continued:

P.A. NO.: 26/00147/LAW
PROPOSED: Certificate of lawful development for the creation of art installation through the re-arrangement and painting of stones
NOTES: Certificate of Lawfulness
SITE: **Part Of Field: 624502, North Barrule, Lezayre.**

Proposed by Mrs. Bruchal, seconded by Mrs. Webb and agreed nem con that it be confirmed that the Commissioners have no objection to this application.

P.A. NO.: 26/00268/B
PROPOSED: Remedial works to building roof including removal of chimney stacks, removal of mechanical plant equipment and repairs to slates, leadwork and roof membranes
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Ramsey & District Cottage Hospital, Cumberland Road, Ramsey.**

Mr. Martin declared but reserved the right to vote,.

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Mrs. Webb seconded by Mrs. Bruchal and agreed nem con, an observation seeking timescale for the works be requested.

(2025/26:355) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – 4th Quarter Report – Library:

Resolved; To note the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated 9th April, 2026, presenting statistics for the Town Library for the 4th Quarter of the year to 31st March, 2026.

(2025:26:356) Housing and Property Manager’s Report – Housing Agency, Live Consultation – Income Thresholds, Public Sector Housing:

Members considered the above-titled Housing and Property Manager’s report dated 8th April, 2026, in which the points of most pertinence to the Commission are detailed.

Mr. Martin indicated he had submitted a personal response to the consultation.

Resolved: That following a proposal by Ms. Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Honey and agreed nem con, consideration of the consultation be referred to the Housing Committee to be elected on 1st May, 2026. [The Committee will meet on 5th May.]

Notices of Motion:

(2025:26:357) Notice of Motion “Love Ramsey”:

Mrs. Bruchal presented the Notice of Motion dated 1st April, 2026, under the banner heading “Love Ramsey”, in which she seeks authority for officers to report on the feasibility, working with the Chamber of Commerce, of promoting the “Love Ramsey” incentives detailed within the Notice.

Mrs. Honey confirmed that the Northern chamber of Commerce was already working on this topic.

The proposal was seconded by Ms Cottam-Shea and carried by 4 votes to 2 Ms Shimmin and Mr. Martin voting against.

(2025:26:358) Ramsey Library:

In terms of Standing Order 14 consideration of the Notice of Motion dated 7th April, 2026, pertaining to Ramsey Library, standing in the name of Mr. J. McGuinness was deferred to the meeting of the Commission to be held on 20th May, 2026.

Any Other Business:

(2025/26:359) Duties of Outside Staff:

Ms Shimmin queried what autonomy, if any, the outdoor staff had in removing nuisances from around the town, such as traffic cones, swinging banners, etc.

The Technical Services Manager advised that staff did have a certain degree of autonomy where matters were known to be within the remit of the Commission. Members were advised to make officers aware of any problems so that the appropriate action including notification to any third party could be undertaken.

(2025/26:360) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report - Sprintfest:

As agreed at the commencement of the meeting, members considered that part of the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated 7th April, 2026, titled “Sprintfest and Events 2026” concerning the request made by the Commercial Hotel that the Commission support their application for a special licence to enable the operation of a pop-up bar during Sprintfest 2026.

Resolved: That following a proposal by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Webb and carried without division that support be given subject to the bar being located out of the Market Square car park area to ensure clear delineation of areas of responsibility.

(2025/26:361) Highways Information Matrix:

The Deputy Town Clerk informed members that the Department of Infrastructure had made a request to site an information matrix board in Station Road Car Park to advise the public of forthcoming roadworks in the North of the Island and affecting Lezayre Road.

Resolved: That following a proposal by Mrs. Honey, second by Mrs. Webb and agreed nem on, permission be granted.

It was suggested that enquiry be made to determine if the Commission might make use of the matrix board if required in the future.

The Deputy Chairman closed the public meeting at 8.40 p.m.

The following items were considered in private the detail of which, having regard to data protection, matters affecting persons who cannot be named, etc., is not as extensive as that contained in minutes of matters discussed in public.

(2025/26:362) Minutes Recorded in Private:

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Ms. Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Honey, and agreed nem con that the minutes Special Private Board Meeting held on 10th March, 2026, be confirmed and signed by the Deputy Chairman.

It was further resolved, following a proposal by Ms Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Bruchal and agreed nem con, that the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 18th March, 2026, recorded in private be confirmed and signed by the Deputy Chairman.

Matters for Information:

(2025/26:363) Action Tracker:

Resolved: To note the “Action Tracker” to 10th April, 2026.

(2025/26:364) Ruinous Register:

Resolved: To note the Ruinous Register to 10th April, 2026, subject to the following:-

Seymour House – the Technical Services Manager informed members that information following an agreed inspection of the property the content of an awaited report will be conveyed to the owners.

The Groom – the Technical Services Manager advised that inspections will be made following receipt of further complaints.

Victoria Mall – Mr. Martin drew attention to possible vermin nuisance which the Technical Services Manager undertook to bring to the attention of Environmental Health.

Finance and General Purposes:

(2025/26:365) Finance Officer's Report:

Resolved; to note the Finance Officer's private report dated 8th April, 2026, subject to the following:-

Aged Debtors – following a proposal by Ms Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Bruchal the Finance Officer was authorised to investigate placing a lien on particular debts and Small Claims Court procedures.

Parks and Leisure:

(2025/26:366) Deputy Town Clerk's Report – Sprintfest and Events 2026:

Members considered the second part of the Deputy Town Clerk's above titled report, the part concerning Sprintfest having been discussed in public; referring to the Commission's policy with regard to the purchase of goods or provision of services. The report seeks permission to waive the policy in respect of the provision of specialist audio/lighting and staging, and security staff at all events including Sprintfest and Ramsey Rocks.

Resolved: that following a proposal by Mr. Martin, seconded by Ms Cottam-Shea and agreed nem con, permission be granted.

A proposal was put by Ms Cottam-Shea, seconded by Mrs. Honey and agreed nem con that Standing Orders be suspended to allow the meeting to continue beyond 10.00 p.m. to its conclusion.

With the exception of the Deputy Town Clerk other officers withdrew from the meeting at 9.55 p.m. Matters discussed thereafter having been recorded in private.

The meeting concluded at 11.00 p.m. giving a time for the payment of attendance allowances of 4 hours.

Chairman.

RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS

[PUBLIC]

The Annual General Meeting of the Ramsey Town Commissioners was held in the Town Hall, Ramsey, on Friday, 1st May, 2026, at 7.00 p.m.

Present Mesdames W. S. Bruchal, S. Cottam-Shea, E. L. Honey, P. Johns-Garrett, M. M. J. Webb, Messrs. C. J. Martin and J. McGuinness.

Apology Ms. E. S. Shimmin

Vacancies exist in both North and South Wards. (3 in South and 1 in North Ward)

The Deputy Town Clerk, Finance Officer and Mrs. C. MacAllister were in attendance.

(2026/27:001) Election of Chairman

The Deputy Town Clerk occupied the Chair and received one Nomination

Ms. Cottam-Shea Proposed by Mrs. Webb, seconded by Mrs. Johns-Garrett

No further nominations were received, and Ms. Cottam-Shea was declared elected and then occupied the Chair.

(2026/27:002) Election of Deputy Chairman

One nomination for Deputy Chairman was received

Ms. E Honey Proposed by Ms. Bruchal, seconded by Mr. Martin

No further nominations were received, and Ms. E Honey was duly declared elected.

(2026/27:003) Election of Lead Members

Finance, General Purposes and Establishment

Mr. Martin Proposed by Mrs. Webb, seconded by Ms. Honey

No further nominations were received, and Mr. Martin was duly declared elected.

Works and Development

Ms. Bruchal Proposed by Mrs. Webb, seconded by Ms. Honey

No further nominations were received and Ms. Bruchal was duly declared elected.

Housing and Property

Mrs. Johns-Garrett Proposed by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Webb

No further nominations were received, and Mrs. Johns-Garrett was duly declared elected.

Parks and Leisure

Mrs. Webb

Proposed by Ms. Honey, seconded by Ms. Bruchal

No further nominations were received, and Mrs. Webb was duly declared elected.

The Policy Committee, comprising the 4 Lead Members is now constituted for the forthcoming municipal year.

(2026/27:004) Election of Deputy Lead Members

Finance, General Purposes and Establishment

Mrs. Webb

Proposed by Mr. Martin, seconded by Ms. Bruchal

No further nominations were received, and Mrs. Webb was duly declared elected.

The Establishment Committee, comprising the Lead Member and Deputy Lead Member for Finance and General Purposes, the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Board is now constituted for the forthcoming municipal year.

Works and Development

Ms. Cottam-Shea

Proposed by Mrs. Webb, seconded by Ms. Bruchal

No further nominations were received, and Ms. Cottam-Shea was duly declared elected.

Housing and Property

Ms. Shimmin

Proposed by Ms. Honey, seconded by Mr. Martin

No further nominations were received and Ms. Shimmin was duly declared elected.

Parks and Leisure

Mrs. Johns-Garrett

Proposed by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Webb

As there were no other nominations Mrs. Johns-Garrett was duly declared elected.

(2026/27:005) Housing Committee 2 appointments

Mrs. Webb

Proposed by Ms Cottam Shea, seconded by Mr. Martin

Ms. Bruchal

Proposed by Ms. Bruchal, seconded by Ms. Honey

No further nominations were received and Mrs. Webb and Ms. Bruchal were duly declared elected.

The Housing Committee, comprising the Lead Member and Deputy Lead Member for Housing and Property and the above two elected members is now constituted for the forthcoming municipal year.

**(2026/27:006) Ramsey and Northern Districts Housing Committee:
Remainder of Three-year term – 1st May 2026 to 30th April 2029**

Mrs. Johns-Garrett Proposed by Mr. Martin, seconded by Ms. Honey

No further nominations were received and Mrs. Johns-Garrett was duly declared elected.

**(2026/27:007) Northern Local Authorities Swimming Pool Board:
Three-year term – 1st May 2025 to 30th April 2028**

Mr. McGuinness was elected on 1st May 2025 for the three-year appointment and consented to continue in the role.

**(2026/27:008) Northern Civic Amenity Site:
Remainder of Two-year term – 1st May 2025 to 30th April 2027**

Mr. Martin Proposed by Ms. Bruchal, seconded by Ms. Cottam-Shea

No further nominations were received and Mr. Martin was duly declared elected.

(2026/27:009) Other Appointments

Representative to serve on the Manx Wildlife Trust

Ms Bruchal Proposed by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Johns-Garrett

No further nominations were received and Ms Bruchal was duly declared elected.

Representative to serve on the Northern Chamber of Commerce

Mrs. Johns-Garrett Proposed by Ms. Honey, seconded by Ms. Cottam-Shea

No further nominations were received and Mrs. Johns-Garrett was duly declared elected.

Representative to serve on the Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team Level One Group and the Northern Traffic Management Liaison Group.

It was confirmed that these two groups had merged.

Ms. Bruchal Proposed by Mrs. Webb, seconded by Mr. Martin

No further nominations were received and Ms. Bruchal was duly declared elected.

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.12 p.m., giving a time for the computation of attendance allowance payments of ½ hour.

Chairman.

RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS - ACTION TRACKER - PUBLIC

Date started / Date of Resolution	Clause Number	Item	Proposer	Seconder	Current position	Last Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	Date Completed	RAG Status
		Adoption of Land Traie Twoaie.			The developer has a proposal to add parking spaces within the area delineated for public open space. As per minute 2019/20:197 TC to clarify the matter and progress.	TC met the developer on 11/3/22. He agreed to mark out the parking spaces and prepare the hand over of the site. TC chased 5/4/22 and 11/5/22, 30/5/22. The developer is to mark out the land after TT. Contacted 8/7/22, 28/7/22, 5/9/22, 2/11/22 no response. Chased 11/1/23. TC proposes that the developer is left to cut the grass and maintain the area at his cost for 2023. Developer contacted our advocate proposing the POS is transferred (April 23). The car parking spaces are still not delineated, no further action to be taken until car parking spaces are delineated. ATC emailed developer again for update.	FGP	Dec-24	DF	Sep-23		
Dec-21		Adoption of land at Auldyn Walk, Ramsey.C9			Petition approved by DOI Feb 2022, playground received planning approval 25/2/22. Legal transfer of land can only take place following completion of the playground.	Some remedial works as required have been carried out by the contractor following a group meeting held on site at the end of July 2025. Meeting held with developer on 10th December 2025. Way forward agreed. works to be carried out asap by developer to enable RTC to adopt. Slightly better weather required for rubber crumb application, of which will be done asap. Condition of grass raised as concern. H&P visited site with contractor to discuss. To be regularly watered and monitored. Remaining works to be completed asap.	FGP	May-26	DF/AF	Jul-26		
Jun-18		War Memorial (repair and renovation).			Memorial added to the Register of Protected Buildings 2021. TSM to meet the War Memorial committee representative to discuss cleaning of the memorial and future works 10/2/21. No costs have been included in the RTC 2022/23 budget. War memorial committee want minimal intervention and work on the memorial (it is about maintenance and not restoration).	Prepare project and costs for repairs to the memorial 2023/24 financial year. Drain survey undertaken 5/9/22; drains go to soakaways, one of which appears to be silted up. AF (HPM) now reviewing. Memorial cleaned. further quotes being sort for renovation works in line with specification. HPM made contact with War Memorial committee to look to arrange meeting.	WD	May-26	AF	Repairs mid 2026		
Jul-22		Mooragh Park shelter public art.			Mooragh Park shelters.	Work continues on final shelters	PL	May-26	4	Apr-26		
Nov-22		Railway Line			Plots are being sold on the railway line. Awaiting quote from our advocate	Quotes received and forwarded to the potential purchasers. Now with the advocates. First sale complete. Letters need sending to other people who have occupied land not belonging to them. Photographs taken in preparation for letters to be sent & in case of future action		Jan-26	BW	Jan-24		

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Date started / Date of Resolution	Clause Number	Item	Proposer	Seconder	Current position	Last Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	Date Completed	RAG Status
Jul-23		Cloughbane Public Open Space.			A report was presented to the board in September 2023 concerning the potential adoption of land as POS. Planning application approved.	Work has been completed. Land being first registered by developer prior to transfer to RTC.		May-26	DF	Dec-24		Orange
Jan-24		BMX track.			Understand how the club is structured and the plans for the course.	Interested parties asked for update of their intent. Budget allowance for 2026/27. Options to be included in "Mooragh Park Strategic Review". No further contact received from interested parties by officers. Additional budget allowed for this year for maintenance works. Email sent to member to see what the next steps could be with regards to setting up a meeting with interested parties. Further email sent to Members to look to set up a meeting with interested parties. Volunteer policy drafted for comment. Budget figures confirmed. An independent inspection was carried out, which has identified works to be done. Potential expressions of interest to be sought to be official volunteers and adhere to T&Cs as set out - to be further discussed internally between departments.	PL	May-26	AF	Jul-26		Green
Jul-24		Merger of Town Wards.			Request DOI to put forward a scheme under Section 9 of the Local Government Act 1982 to make a scheme to merge the current North and South Wards into one electoral district.	A public enquiry will be held in due course - after the local Authority General Election. This will now be after the by election. Followed up with DOI	FGP	Mar-26	SB	Sep-25		Green
Jul-24		"Great Wave" Street Art - Old Swimming Pool.			Seek Expressions of Interest for Great Wave inspired art on west facing gable of Old Swimming Pool.	Artist continues on this project.	PL	May-26	SB	May-26		Green
Jul-24		Hearing Loop for Board Room.			Look at options for provision of hearing loop within Board Room.	Portable unit declined by member. AF to bring to March meeting - none compatible hearing aids. Alternative option to be looked into. Local charity have presented options to be considered. Likely to be a project for the Budget process - costings being explored. Budget item prepared for consideration. budget items accepted. device to be ordered. wider discussions with specialist around linking microphones to speakers on going. specialist hopefully attending to review in the next few days. Specialist attended March Board meeting and assisted with sound issues - being monitored.	HP	Apr-26	AF	Apr-26		Orange
Sep-24	24/25:128	Sprintfest			2026 event to held using same format. Include in 2026/27 budget.	Event taking place 29th, 30th, 31st May and 1st June 2026	PL	May-26	SB	Jun-26		Green

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Sep-24	24/25:148	Station Road Car Park.			Installation of cooling units. Liaise with interested parties to resolve.	Draft agreement received - with advocates for checking	FGP	May-26	SB	Mar-25		
Sep-24	24/25:149	FO Report Aged Debtors.			Doubtful commercial debt. Seek independent legal advice about recovery and report to the October Board Meeting.	Request for opinions sent to Advocates. Included in October Finance Report. All appropriate contribution invoices now raised, but remain outstanding. Report on outstanding debt treatment prepared. Provision to be made against debt in 2025 accounts as part of NCAS accounting. Provision in 2025 accounts. Post March 2025 figures being prepared monthly for DOI contract until March 2026. Treatment of debt will be part of 2026 accounts preparation and the allocation of the reserves to the parishes.	FGP	Apr-26	NC	Mar-26		
Nov-24	24/25:196	Cigarette Litter			Illustrations around drain covers - seek permission from Department for those on highways	Art work has been sprayed on the pavements around the drains. Permission given to use until 30th June 2025.	WD	Apr-26	BW	Feb-25		
Mar-25	24/25:302	Policy ruinous Buildings			Policy to be formatted	Draft Policy received reviewed, and amendments needed. Clarification sought from EHI inspectorate on application of different parts of various legislation. Documentation sent to Policy Committee as requested. Second draft received - in review. Sent to Lead & Deputy W&D for comments on review & setting of authorisation levels for cost and charges to owners. Policy to Policy next policy committee	Policy	Jan-26	BW	May-25		
Mar-25	24/25:302	Volunteer Policy			A volunteer Policy to be created	In draft with Policy	Policy	Dec-25	DF	Aug-25		
Mar-25	24/25:310	S13 Ballachrink			Seek meeting with Developer regarding proposals for the area		FGP	Mar-25	DF	May-25		
Mar-25	24/25:311	Loading Bay			Consult with business community regarding provision of loading bays	Survey to commence with Chamber of Commerce members.	FGP	Oct-25	SB	Aug-25		
Apr-25	24/25:348	Provision of Free Wi-Fi			Investigate costs for various locations	Awaiting proposal from telecoms provider	FGP	May-26	SB	Sep-25		
May-25	25/26:022	Car Parking Residents' Rates			Request to consider residents' rates	Refer to policy Committee.	Policy	Jun-25	DF			
Jun-25	25/26:048	Lleighnee Field			Seek information from Ramsey AFC	Ongoing correspondence between TC and Club no update. Club was due to meet with FA.	PL	Jul-25	DF	Jul-25		
Jun-25	25/26:055	Redundant Telephone Kiosk			Pending installation of defibrillator	Checking planning obligations.	FGP	Mar-26	SB	Nov-25		
Jul-25	25/26:071	Environmental Projection			Bill yet to progress - progress report on implications	Note consultation.	FGP/WD	Jul-25	DF			

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Jul-25	25/26:076	Social Housing			Draft Strategy and budgetary reports Lead Member for Housing with HPM; Publish strategy. Strategy development ongoing	Approval of Notice of Motion. Strategy and report progressing. Draft Strategy included in Dec Board pack. Strategy presented to Board in December and adopted. Detailed reports to follow.	HPE	Jan-26	AF	Jan-26	Jan-26	
Jul-25	25/26:077	Art Trail			Agreement to set up an Art Trail	Schedule of current installations being created.	PL	May-26	SB/AF	Mar-26		
Jul-25	25/26:078	Re-Evaluation Re-use Facility			Agreement in principle to re-opening - further reports to be presented on financial implications	Defer until September 25 Meeting	WD	Jul-25	DF			
Aug-25	25/26:111	Reduction of Beds at RDCH			Write to Minister	Letter sent.	FGP	Sep-25	DF	Sep-25		
Aug-25	25/26:112	Investigate Fixed Charge for Household Waste			Investigate per Notice of Motion		WD		BW	Jan-26		
Aug-25	25/26:113	West Quay Defences			Response to presentation - make comments when planning starts	Planning application expected December 2025. DOI will display plans in Town Hall. In this months planning	FGP	Feb-26		Sep-25		
Aug-25	25/26:121	Padel Tennis			Carry on discussions with interested party	Meeting on 13/3/26	FGP	01/03/2026	DF	Jan-26		
Sep-25	25/26:134	Trading Outside Courthouse			Defer application Sweet Victory - refer to policy which needs to be written		Policy	Sep-25	DF	Jan-26		
Sep-25	25/26:138	Tower Street Car Park			Land revert back to Department of Infrastructure	All spaces now vacated. Waiting for confirmations of next actions from DOI	WD	May-26	BW	Oct-25	May-26	
Sep-25	25/26:139	TT Air Display			Possible event for 2027	Tenants relocated as required and site handed back to DOI. Correspondence with DFE.	PL		DF			
Sep-25	25/26:140	Dogs in Mooragh Park			Consider introducing trial to permit when byelaws are updated		FGP		SB	Sep-26		
Sep-25	25/26:141	Art Work			Consider site, design, funding etc.	Piece of Art work of considerable size.	PL	Sep-25	DF			
Sep-25	25/26:148	Sale of Greengrocery Produce			possible encroachment of footpath	Determine if A board approval is needed.	WD		GK			
Oct-25	25/26:164	Manx Telecom - Use of Telegraph Poles for fibre roll out			Bring back on Action Tracker. Engage with Manx Telecom	Manx Telecom have again been invited to attend a public meeting of the Commission but do not think it is appropriate while the planning process is taking place. Planning applications have been refused but MT have appealed the decisions.	FGP	Apr-26	SB			
Oct-25	25/26:164	Write to DHSC Minister and CEO Manx Care and invite to a public meeting regarding health in Ramsey and North.	JM	SCS	Invitation extended to Manx Care CEO and DHSC Minister. Date of 11 November agreed.	Officers have written DHSC (Minister and Chief Executive) and Manx Care (Chief Executive) again requesting this meeting.	FGP	Apr-26	DF			
Oct-25	25/26:172	Create a Strategy for Mooragh Estate	JM	LS	Create Strategy	Strategy being progressed. Updates being added. Ongoing - 3rd party comments being sought to input into the strategy where appropriate. Internal meeting with P&I to be arranged to go through progress. Additional cost information being added as received.	HP/PL	May-26	AF/BW	Jun-26		

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Oct-25	25/26:173	Scoping of a Housing Support Officer	JM	EH	Job Description being prepared	On-going. Draft prepared to submit to establishment committee for consideration. To be submitted with report early Jan 2026 at latest. Internal meeting not able to be held with Clerk to discuss fully. To be presented to March Board. Further internal meetings in H&P have taken place and possible scope identified to finalise role required along with hours etc. financial information required and then to be presented to the board for consideration. to be concluded asap.	HP	May-26	AF	Jun-26		
Oct-25	25/26:180	Use of Quayside. Investigate restrictions and liaise with Harbours/ DOI	CM	PJG	Contact DOI Harbours	Email sent to DOI Harbours.	WD	Oct-25	DF			
Oct-25	25/26:181	Albert Road - temp Christmas Car Park. AF to investigate whether PP required and whether suitable?	JM	SCS		Option to have the site open for 12 days (permitted development), should RTC wish to proceed in offering the spaces FOC. Condition to be further assessed and possible capacity to be advised. Markings to be completed week ending 12th December for use. parking utilised over period. Enquiry sent to planning to ask if ok to continue to use in current form should RTC wish to continue to use as a temp car park. Planning have been in contact to advise that they will come back to RTC with position by 06.02.2026. Planning is not in place for Buses to use site. RTC have requested they be removed and seek appropriate planning permission going forward. Car Parking is identified on the 2012 approved plan which has been implemented in part by the DOI using their side of the site. AF to confirm with Planning if this is to remain following Board instruction. Parking to remain until 22nd May. Buses to then occupy for TT and then to close.	HP	Apr-26	AF	Jun-26		

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Nov-25	25/26:208	Health and Safety Consultations	SCS	WB	On-going Health and Safety legislation Consultations	Officers have responded to 7 consultations so far - including Workplace Regs, Vibration, Provision of PPE, Provision & use of work equip, H&S signs and information for employees. H&S (consultation with Employees) Regs Ongoing 2 further consultations have been responded to. Completed consultations on hub, checking to see if anymore come up	WD	May-26	BW			
Nov-25	25/26:218	FO report Budget Meetings and Inflation	JM	SCS	Consider inflation presentation to be applied	Schedule of meetings approved and 3% applied to budget figures for inflation. Rates to be set in Ja. 2026 monthly meeting.	FGP	Jan-26	NC	Jan-26		
Dec-25	25/26:226	Rhumsaa Sign	JM	ES	Instructing staff to progress siting at North end of the Mooragh Lake	Discussion with possible sculpture supplier ongoing. . Quote being prepared.	PL	May-26	SB	Jun-26		
Dec-25	25/26:236	North Ramsey Bowling Club Storage Container	JM	AO	Planning permission due to expire June 2026	Apply for extension. App to be submitted mid Feb 2026. App submitted.	WD	Dec-25	AF/SB	Feb-26	Mar-26	
Dec-25	25/26:238	Deckchairs	JM	SCS	Audit carried out of existing stock	Grant application being considered	PL	May-26	SB	Mar-26		
Dec-25	25/26	AI Generated Images	JM	SCS	New Notice of Motion that AI images be not used and art work be commissioned	Notice approved - ongoing	FGP	Dec-25	SB	Mar-26		
Jan-26	25/26:267	Street Lighting Lanes	SCS	MW	Lighting in lanes need attention	Refer back to Department of Infrastructure Letter sent to DOI Minister 09/02/2026 - acknowledgement letter received 10/02/2026	WD	Feb-26	BW			
Jan-26	25/26:271	Designation of Electric Vehicle Charing Points / Traffic Legislation	CM	MM	Uncertainty with regard to parking places Orders	Seek information from the Department of Infrastructure and the matter be added to the Action Tracker. With regards to the electric charging bays in Market Place - they are not enforceable as they are not regulated. DOI will added it to the order but until such time as they do that it is not enforceable	WD	Feb-26	SB			

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Jan-26	25/26:275	Access Park Hotel	CM	AO	Notice of motion concerning height of centre aisle Mooragh Promenade	Seek information from the Department of Infrastructure on the provision of drop kerbs Letter received back from DOI - Traffic Management Engineer post vacant. Once post filled the request will be assessed accordingly and prioritised against other schemes and available budgets. Request for traffic counters has been sent and they are in location. Counter Report received and sent to CM. No further correspondence from DOI	WD	May-26	BW			
Jan-26	25/26:283	North Ramsey Bowling Club New Pavilion	SM	SCS	Request North Ramsey Bowling Club re new pavilion	Agreed in principle. Department of Infrastructure to be contacted with regard to parking and provision of a disabled space in Ballacloan Road. Request sent to DOI - Traffic Management Engineer post vacant. Once post filled the request will be assessed accordingly and prioritised against other schemes and available budgets.	HP	Feb-26	AF/BW			
Feb-26	25/26:292	Quayside Redevelopment	CM	SCS	Plans for redevelopment withdrawn -	Write to DOI, Agreed to form a sub-committee and focus on flood impact; parking and review sea defences. DOI Written to	WD	Mar-26	SB/BW			
Feb-26	25/26:300	Manx Credit Union	WB	SCS	Notice of Motion - officers to investigate practicality of occasional use of facilities at Town Hall	Enquiry to be made with Credit Union. Enquiry sent.	FGP	Mar-26	SB			
Feb-26	25/26:303	South Shore Showering, etc			Cost of providing water supply considered prohibitive	Mr. Martin to make enquiries and report back	PL		AF			
Feb-26	25/26:304	Lighting issues			Concerns about lighting being on all night at Close ny Mooragh	Officers requested to investigate	HP		AF			
Feb-26	25/26:315	North Ramsey Bowling Club Pavilion	JM	SCS	Request to provide new pavilion - permission granted to submit planning application	Agreement given to seeking lease options.	HP / WD	May-26	AF/SB			
Mar-26	25/26:339	DTC Report Auldyn Way North	JM	MW	Developer indicate willingness to meet	Meeting to be arranged	WD	Mar-26	SB			
Apr-26	25/26:351	Action Tracker Chapel Lane Car Park			Suggestion of Sub-letting car parking spaces	DTC to liaise with Mr. Martin to investigate	WD	Apr-26	SB	01/06/2026		
Apr-26	25/26:348	Street Traders Licence The Hutch	SC-S	WB	Application to trade during TT 2026	Application approved	FGP	Apr-26	SB		May-26	
Apr-26	25/26:349	Street Traders Transfer of Licence	MW	SCS	Licence held De Ja Brew request to transfer when unable to be present to Wild Coffee	Request approved	FGP	Apr-26	SB		May-26	
Apr-26	25/26:352	DTC Report Beach Cast Seaweed	SCS	MW	View of use of Beach-cast Seaweed	Defer pending receipt of further information	WD	Apr-26	BW			
Apr-26	25/26:354	TSM Planning Applications	MW	WB	Application Ramsey and District Cottage Hospital	Seek timescale for works proposed	WD	Apr-26	BW			
Apr-26	25/26:356	HPM Report Consultation	SCS	EH	Consultation Presented	Referred back to Housing Committee. Housing Committee considered. HPM to reply.	HP	May-26	AF	May-26	May-26	
Apr-26	25/26:357	N of Motion "Love Ramsey"	WB	scs	Notice of motion presented	Officers to investigate and report on feasibility	PL	Apr-26	SB	01/08/2026		
Apr-26	25/26:358	N of Motion Ramsey Library			Presented	Deferred to may 2026 in terms of Standing Orders	PL	Apr-26				

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Apr-26	25/26:360	DTC Report - Sprintfest	CJM	MW	Request for "Pop-upBar"	Approval given subject to location being outwith the Market Square	PL	Apr-26	SB		01/04/2026	
Apr-26	25/26:361	Highways Information Board	EH	MW	Request to site Matrix Board Car park	Permission granted.	WD	Apr-26	SB			
Apr-26	25/26:365	FO Report	CSC	WB	Aged Debtors	Investigate application of lien. Report to be prepared for June meeting	FGP	May-26	NC			

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Ref No	Property Address	Ruinous Register Entry Date	Commission's correspondence dates	Owner's correspondence dates	Stage	Letters of notices dates (if given)
	9 Auckland Lane	2019	27/02/2025			
	Water Street Boundary Wall	2018	27/02/2025			
	Britannia Hotel	2019				
	Seymour House - Ballure Road	2018	07/05/2025 29/01/2026 28/03/2026	16/05/2024		04/05/2021 28/10/2022 27/02/2023
	The Poplars - Bircham Ave, Ramsey	2019	13/12/2022			
	4 Hespera Terrace	2020				
	3 West Quay	2021				
	13 Water Street	2021	27/02/2025 12/05/2025			
	15 Water Street	2021	27/02/2025			
	17 Water Street	2021				
	Old Ocra Building Tower road	2021	07/10/2025			
	Stanley Public House	2021				
	Sub-station - Tower Street	2022				
	21 Bowring Road	2023	04/03/2024 24/01/2025 27/01/2025 13/02/2025	04/03/2024 24/01/2025 27/01/2025 13/02/2025 Mar-25 01/08/2025		
	2 Albion Terrace, Lezayre Road	2023	04/12/2023			
	Barry Curran's West Quay	2024	21/08/2024 23/01/2025 24/01/2025 04/02/2025	21/08/2024		
	5 Marine Gardens	2024				
	Cannon Court	2022	27/08/2024	28/08/2024		
	Coolil-Ny-Marrey Waterloo Road	Oct-24				
	Auldyn House - 22 Parliament St, 6 West Quay & 24 Parliament St (Tide & Jewel Box)	2019	20/01/2025 14/02/2025	22/01/2025 Feb-25 23/04/2025		
	The Groom, Bride Road	2025	01/12/2025 12/02/2025 07/10/2025 27/05/2025 07/10/2025 01/04/2026	22/05/2025 13/10/2025		Mar-25
	Old River Road Depot	2025	18/02/2025			
	Lloyds Bank	May-25				
	Barclays Bank	May-25				
	6 Ash Grove	Jun-25	24/06/2025 09/12/2025			
	48 Ormly Road	Jun-25	23/07/2025 01/05/2026			
	70 Ormly Estate	Jun-25	23/07/2025	28/07/2025		
	19 West Quay	Jul-25	01/05/2026 22/07/2025			
	Tutti Fruitii	Jul-25	24/07/2025	29/07/2025		
	Young's Yard	Sep-25				
	30 Clifton Drive	May-24	07/10/2025 01/05/2026			
	The Oaks	Nov-25	11/11/2025			
	The Mount May Hill	Nov-25				
	2, Hanley Villa's	Nov-25				
	Victoria Mall	2018	29/03/2026 17/04/2026	20/04/2026		
	Jadar - Albert Street	2026				

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
POLICY REVIEW
May 2026 – PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman, Members,

In the above connection the following policy is now brought back to you. It was originally submitted in November 2025 and sent away for some remedial work.

I am of the view that it is now sufficient for us to launch a pilot scheme and evaluate the benefits of volunteer support.

I recommend its acceptance.

D C Flint
Town Clerk & Chief Executive

1st May 2026.



VOLUNTEERING
POLICY AND PROCEDURE

Version	Date	Author	Notes
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Ramsey Town Commissioners recognises that volunteers make a vital contribution to community life. In alignment with its Strategic Plan, which aims to build a thriving, inclusive, and resilient town, the Commissioners are committed to engaging volunteers in ways that complement and enhance services, foster civic pride, and strengthen community cohesion.

The Commissioners will:

- Provide fair and open access to volunteering opportunities.
- Ensure that volunteers are welcomed, supported, and valued for their contributions.
- Safeguard the wellbeing of volunteers, staff, and service users.
- Work collaboratively with partners to develop meaningful and impactful volunteering opportunities.
- Promote volunteering as a means of developing skills, enhancing wellbeing, and strengthening Ramsey's identity as "a better place to be."

This policy statement is supported by a volunteer welcome guide outlining how volunteering will be recruited, managed, and recognised across all areas of the Commissioners' work.

Procedures

1. Recruitment and Selection

A fair, transparent, and robust recruitment process will be implemented for all volunteer roles. Role descriptions and application forms will be made available via the Commissioners' website and partner organisations.

All recruitment activity will adhere to equal opportunities principles. While volunteer roles may be time-limited, opportunities for renewal will be considered where appropriate. Volunteers will be asked to demonstrate flexibility in the roles they undertake.

2. Information and Training

Volunteers will be provided with information about the work of the Commissioners, including how their contribution supports the development of Ramsey as a better place to live and work.

An induction programme will be developed and Volunteers will not be permitted to carry out volunteer work until they have completed the relevant induction programme.

Appropriate training will be provided to enable volunteers to perform their duties effectively. This may include training in areas such as health and safety, moving and handling, safeguarding, data protection, emergency procedures, and risk awareness. Volunteers are expected to fully engage with all training provided and achieve satisfactory outcomes where applicable.

3. Supervision and Support

Volunteers will be encouraged to work independently where appropriate; however, each volunteer will be assigned a named supervisor who is a member of employed staff. Regular check-ins will be conducted, proportionate to the level of responsibility involved.

Where volunteers operate in groups, a team leader will be appointed. This role may vary depending on the nature of the volunteering activity. Supervisors and team leaders will provide ongoing support, guidance, and assistance with problem-solving.

4. Health, Safety, and Wellbeing

Volunteers will not be asked to undertake tasks that have not been subject to appropriate risk assessment. All relevant risks will be communicated prior to the commencement of any activity.

Volunteers are required to comply with all applicable staff regulations and health and safety procedures, taking reasonable care for their own safety and that of others, including colleagues and members of the public. Breaches of health and safety requirements may result in appropriate action.

Volunteers should familiarise themselves with all relevant policies and operational guidance. Any medical, access, or other requirements must be communicated to the assigned supervisor so that appropriate adjustments can be made.

5. Safeguarding

Volunteers will not ordinarily be required to undertake unsupervised work with children or vulnerable adults. All individuals are expected to act in a manner that safeguards both themselves and others.

Where required, appropriate training and background checks, including Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) or Isle of Man equivalent checks, will be completed.

6. Confidentiality and Data Protection

Volunteers will be reminded not to disclose any confidential information relating to employees, elected members, or members of the public obtained during their volunteering activities.

No documents or materials belonging to the Commissioners, or containing confidential information, may be removed by volunteers from the premises without prior authorisation.

All personal data for volunteers must be managed in accordance with applicable data protection legislation, including General Data Protection Regulation requirements.

7. General Conduct

Volunteers will be made aware of the relevant code of conduct and the behaviours expected from them.

9. Insurance

RTC Volunteer activities are covered by the RTC Public liability insurance, however, volunteers using their own vehicles must ensure that appropriate insurance cover is in place.

10. Moving On / Exit

The Commissioners reserve the right to end a volunteer's involvement at any time, with reasons provided. Volunteers who wish to cease their involvement are expected to provide formal notice in writing.

References and recognition statements may be provided where appropriate.

11. Expenses

Reasonable out-of-pocket expenses may be reimbursed for agreed activities, subject to prior approval by the Town Clerk.

12. Review

This policy and associated procedures will be reviewed annually, or sooner if required due to changes in legislation or practice.

The contributions and achievements of volunteers will be formally recognised and, where appropriate, publicly acknowledged with their consent.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
INTERIM UPDATE TO STANDING ORDERS
May 2026 – PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman, Members,

In the above connection, Section 3(7) of Standing Orders provided the vires for the formation and operation of the Northern Civic Amenity Site. With the operation having now ceased to be a direct responsibility of the Committee, and Ramsey Town Commissioners no longer acting as operator and lately contractor, the need for this section ceases.

There is wider work to be done with Standing Orders, but in the interim, it is recommended that this section now be deleted. The method suggested is to list it as it appears and endorse "NOT USED" at the end of the Clause in order to provide a clear audit until the further review and reform is undertaken and to act as an aide memoire should it be necessary to introduce a similar clause at some point in the future.

D. C. Flint,
Town Clerk & Chief Executive

20th April, 2026.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
OPEN CONSULTATIONS
May 2026 – PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman, Members,

Below is a list of the new open consultations.

Amendments to public sector general needs housing income thresholds

The Public Sector Housing (General Needs) (Allocation) Policy 2019 is currently undergoing a full review. Because this review is extensive, the Housing Agency (on behalf of the Department of Infrastructure) is proposing to introduce several essential changes ahead of the full update.

These early amendments focus on improving fairness, clarity, and consistency in how public sector housing is allocated. Views are sought on three key proposed changes:

- Updating income eligibility thresholds and introducing automatic annual uplifts
- Removing certain 'priority' points that do not reflect housing need
- Introducing discretion for local housing authorities on residential requirements

The objectives are:

- To understand real-life experiences of those navigating the housing system
- Identify unintended impacts that may not be visible from data alone
- Test whether the proposed changes feel fair and workable for households and communities
- Ensure the policy reflects local needs and values, not just administrative requirements
- Strengthen transparency and accountability in how decisions are made

Closes 19 May 2026

Opened 7 Apr 2026

The Board has already dealt with this matter in that it referred the matter to the Housing Committee for further consideration and report.

**Town Clerk's Report – Open Consultations –
May, 2026 – Public Continued:**

Proposal to require passengers to carry ID and introduce proportionate ID verification on Isle of Man Steam Packet Journeys

The Department of Home Affairs is consulting on a proposal to require all passengers travelling with the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company to carry identification and to introduce proportionate ID verification checks during the check-in process.

This measure aims to strengthen the Island's defences against organised crime, improve passenger data accuracy, and align with security practices found elsewhere in the Common Travel Area. Exemptions or special arrangements may be made for certain groups, such as minors or those without standard ID.

Securing Our Island is a key strategic aim under Our Island Plan. This consultation outlines a number of important steps already taken to secure our Island, such as the phased implementation of Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) and the deployment of drug detection dogs at the sea terminal. However, while these steps have increased the security and safety of our Island, certain vulnerabilities remain which can be exploited.

The Isle of Man Government aims to further enhance the safety and security of the Island and address evolving threats by introducing ID requirements and proportionate ID verification during check-in for Isle of Man Steam Packet Company journeys.

The objectives are to strengthen border security, support law enforcement efforts, and maintain public confidence in the Island's reputation as a safe and secure place to live and visit.

Closes 8 Jun 2026

Opened 20 Apr 2026

This is a matter of more strategic outlook than the business of the Commission. As such it may be one that members wish to respond to on a personal basis via the Consultations Hub.

Unoccupied Urban Sites Register

Cabinet Office is updating the unoccupied urban sites register to help identify, monitor and unlock brownfield sites for redevelopment.

In November 2018, Tynwald resolved to approve Recommendation 1 of the Tynwald Select Committee on the Development of Unoccupied Urban Sites.

Recommendation 1 states that Cabinet Office should publish at regular intervals data on planning approvals given and taken up in brownfield and greenfield sites respectively. Further to this recommendation Cabinet Office published the Unoccupied Urban Sites Register: East (2020) which focused on Douglas and Onchan and updated the register in December 2022 to include the North, South and West.

**Town Clerk's Report – Open Consultations –
May, 2026 – Public Continued:**

Sites that were included on this register were eligible for consideration to receive funding from the infrastructure grant scheme run by the Department for Enterprise that offered financial support, by way of a grant and/or loan, towards development projects of up to 25% of eligible expenditure.

This consultation seeks suggestions for new sites to be included on the register and to receive comments on those sites that are already on the register to help inform a future update.

Closes 16 Jun 2026

Opened 5 May 2026

This is an update process and not of concern. RTC sites already feature (e.g. Old River Road)

Consultation on the regulatory framework for charities - Charities Registration and Regulation Act 2019 – Post Legislative Scrutiny

This consultation is being undertaken in response to the recommendations arising from the Standing Committee's post-legislative scrutiny of the Charities Registration and Regulation Act 2019 and the subsequent debates in Legislative Council (28 October 2025) and Tynwald Court (20 January 2026).

In those debates, Members recognised the value of the existing statutory framework while identifying areas where further policy consideration may be appropriate, particularly in relation to exemptions from registration, proportional regulation, and legal clarity around electronic filings.

The consultation focuses on four inter-related policy areas:

- The treatment of Ecclesiastical Charities
- The scope for exemptions from registration for certain categories of charities
- The regulatory or governance framework that should apply to any exempt charities including financial thresholds for that level of regulation and governance
- The treatment of charities that receive large one-off donations

In addition, views are sought on whether legislative amendments are required to put the acceptance of electronic filings of charity documents beyond doubt, noting that significant operational progress has already been made within the Charities Administration Team.

Not of general concern to the business of RTC although those with any experience in the sector may wish to contribute individually.

Closes 21 Jun 2026

Opened 8 May 2026

**Town Clerk's Report – Open Consultations –
May, 2026 – Public Continued:**

Beneficial Ownership – Legitimate Interest Access

The Isle of Man Government is consulting on proposals to extend access to the Isle of Man's beneficial ownership register to persons who can demonstrate a legitimate interest in accessing beneficial ownership information for the purposes of preventing, detecting, or investigating money laundering, terrorist financing and proliferation financing.

The decision to consult on these proposals reinforces the Island's status as a long-established international finance centre with a strong reputation for robust regulation, political stability and effective governance.

Beneficial ownership transparency is a cornerstone of global efforts to combat illicit finance. Transparency is embedded in the recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), the international standard-setter in this area.

For some time, the question of who should be able to access information of the beneficial ownership of legal persons has been the subject of much debate. There remain differing expectations internationally as to who can and should appropriately have access. Ensuring that the Isle of Man's approach continues to align with evolving international standards is critical to maintaining the island's reputation as a well-regulated international finance centre.

In December 2023, the Isle of Man Government issued, with the other Crown Dependencies, a joint commitment on access to beneficial ownership information. This outlined a plan to enhance transparency in line with the direction set by the European Union (EU) under the Sixth Anti-Money Laundering Directive (AMLD6). AMLD6 is due to be transposed by EU Member States later this year.

Officers across Isle of Man Government have continued to liaise with officers of the governments of Jersey and Guernsey, as well as the United Kingdom (UK) Home Office. This consultation paper reflects the dialogue with those jurisdictions, the aim being, in line with the 2023 joint commitment, to establish an appropriate and practical approach.

Closes 30 Jun 2026

Opened 5 May 2026

For information – not of general concern to RTC business

Derek Flint
Town Clerk & Chief Executive

12th May, 2026.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
BY ELECTIONS – 25 JUNE 2026
MAY 2026 – PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman and Members,

A Notice of Election has been published for a By Elections to fill the **one** vacancy in Ramsey North Ward and **three** vacancies in Ramsey South Ward.

Further details about the election can be found on our website – www.ramsey.gov.im

Nominations can be submitted to the Deputy Returning Officer between 10am on 20th May 2026 and 1pm on 27th May 2026.

In the event of a contested Election this will take place on 25th June 2026. In accordance with our Elections and Engagement Policy a public meeting will be held in the event of a contested election the date of this will be advised in due course.

Recommendation: for discussion.

H. S. Bevan
Deputy Town Clerk

14th May 2026

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
STREET TRADERS LICENCE – CHAMELEON
MAY 2026 – PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman and Members,

The Commission have granted a Street Traders Licence to Wild Coffee to operate on South Promenade. The operator of Wild Coffee will be away for a period of time.

Further to the decision last month to allow De Ja Brew to operate during this absence a request has been received to allow Chameleon to operate at times when De Ja Brew is unable to. There would be only be one operator trading at any one time.

This facility is well patronised and is mostly operating at times when there are not permanent businesses operating nearby.

Recommendation: for discussion

H. S. Bevan
Deputy Town Clerk

7th May 2026

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
FINANCE OFFICER'S GENERAL REPORT
MAY 2026 - PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman and Members

The following documents are appended for review and / or information:

1. A summary of accounts paid and suppliers used in April 2026 – Appendix 1.
2. Tabulated summaries of the Income and Expenditure for the period 1st April 2026 to 30th April 2026 – Appendix 2.

Accounts

Accounts of £695,331.15 were paid via the General Revenue Account and accounts of £37,840.50 were paid via the Northern Civic Amenity Site Account in April 2026. Details of the accounts paid and the suppliers utilised are attached at Appendix 1.

Recommendation: To be noted.

Summary of Revenue Income and Expenditure

Tabulated summaries of the 2026-27 Income and Expenditure from 1st April 2026 to 30th April 2026 are attached at Appendix 2.

Certain elements of capital expenditure incurred have been paid through the Revenue account some of which have been or will be financed by way of capital loans. They are not disclosed as part of Appendix 2, the 2026-27 Income and Expenditure figures, and they are:

Queen's Pier Road Refurbishment – materials & prof. fees	£91,570
Courthouse – balance of cost of new windows	£10,179
Town Hall – new intruder alarm system	£5,894
Close Woirrey – prof. fees	£4,637
Machinery – chainsaws, mower, trimmers	£3,696
Town Hall – new safety shutter at Finance counter	£3,138

Recommendation: To be noted.

Rates

Early May 2026 £288,913 rates income was received from Treasury re the 2025-26 financial year (for comparison £241,732 was received in April 2025). This is the final instalment for the 2025-26 financial year and the figure will be included in the 2025-26 accounts as a debtor.

Taking this year end debt into account, at 31st March 2026 the total 2025-26 rate income was £3,559,495 compared to a budget of £3,635,908 (2024-25 £3,457,523 compared to a budget of £3,482,879).

Recommendation: To be noted.

13th May 2026

N.Q. Cannell, FCCA
Finance Officer

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Accounts paid during April 2026

Appendix 1

Payee	Description	Amount (incl. VAT)
<u>General Account</u>		£
Staff	Wages, salaries, ITIP, NI & superannuation	212,107.62
J Clawson Ltd.	Upper Queens Pier Road refurbishment	99,692.96
IOM Government	Waste disposal at EFW Plant	76,867.24
Various	Housing property repairs, maint. & safety checks	62,183.60
Various	Legal & professional fees - Non-Housing	57,175.13
Various	Legal & professional fees - Housing	19,384.42
Various	Commission property repair, maint. & safety checks	18,788.30
Ellan Vannin Fuels Ltd.	Fuel & heating oil	18,563.61
Various	Town Hall alarms & counter shutter	14,424.68
Manx Utilities	Electricity supply & Water charges	13,644.55
Various	Courthouse windows replacement - final charge	12,214.43
Various	Tree survey & surgery	9,360.00
Various	Street & Gulley cleaning	8,856.00
Various	Boiler replacements	8,652.90
NLA Swim Pool Board	Balance of 2025-26 contribution	7,697.53
Various	Vehicles maintenance & servicing	7,492.41
2 Clean	WC cleaning contract	5,557.02
Various	IT costs - general expenditure	4,883.06
Various	HR support services	4,648.86
Various	Machinery repairs & servicing	4,567.70
Various	Refuse materials & equipment	4,297.20
Electric Avenue Leeds Ltd.	Street lighting maintenance	3,854.32
Various	Library books, materials & IT licences	3,452.36
Various	Rent refunds & transfers	3,427.76
Various	Office expenses - post, printing, stationery etc.	2,871.80
Mark Tuson	Parks consultancy	2,800.00
Banks	Bank & debit card charges	1,762.96
Various	Security & safety	1,624.76
Various	Phones	1,554.17
Various	Park materials	1,164.50
Various	Legal & professional fees - Ruinous buildings	810.00
Various	Staff training	295.00
Various	Gift vouchers	252.00
IOM Newspapers Ltd.	Media & advertising	222.30
Various	Town events	180.00
		695,331.15
<u>Northern Civic Amenity Site</u>		
IOM Government	Waste disposal at EFW Plant & Wrights Pit North	18,496.58
Various	Recycling charges	14,769.99
Various	Skip haulage	3,187.43
Outdoor Power & Plant Ltd.	Plant servicing & maintenance	1,086.00
Various	Site maintenance	169.20
Worldpay (UK) Ltd.	Debit card reader charge	87.23
Bank	Charges	22.13
Manx Telecom Ltd.	Telephone service	21.94
		37,840.50

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Suppliers utilised during April 2026

Appendix 1

AB Photography Ltd.	IOM	Mannin Pressure Washing Ltd.	IOM
Access UK Ltd.	UK	MannVend Ltd.	IOM
ADT Fire & Security plc	UK	Mann Waste Recycling Ltd.	IOM
Argon Business Systems Ltd.	IOM	Manx Business Solutions Ltd.	IOM
Askews & Holts Library Services Ltd.	UK	Manx Fork Trucks Ltd.	IOM
Axis Consulting Engineers Ltd.	IOM	Manx Independent Carriers Ltd.	IOM
Ballaneven Compost & Horticulture Ltd.	IOM	Manx Telecom Ltd.	IOM
BHW Print Group Ltd.	IOM	Manx Utilities	IOM
Brew & Corkill Ltd.	IOM	March Consultants Ltd.	IOM
Brian Walmsley 1988 Ltd.	IOM	Marksman Locksmith	IOM
Callin Wild	IOM	Mark Tuson	IOM
C E Richmond Ltd.	IOM	Modus Architects Ltd.	IOM
City Electrical Factors IOM Ltd.	IOM	Nobles Hospital Air Ambulance	IOM
Commercial Services Education Ltd.	UK	Northern Fuels Ltd.	IOM
Craigs Construction Ltd.	IOM	Northern Local Authority Swim Pool Board	IOM
Crossroads Manx Workshop	IOM	Outdoor Power & Plant Ltd.	IOM
Cuplas Callow IOM Ltd.	IOM	Paul Wheeler Ltd.	IOM
Deanwood Management Ltd.	IOM	P & J Dust Extraction Ltd.	UK
DP Electrical Contractors Ltd.	IOM	P & M Window Cleaners Ltd.	IOM
DQ Advocates Ltd.	IOM	Phoenix Windows Ltd.	IOM
Egan Reid Stationery Co. Ltd.	UK	Positive Solutions HR Ltd.	IOM
Electric Avenue Leeds Ltd.	UK	Ramsey Automotive Centre Ltd.	IOM
Ellan Vannin Fuels Ltd.	IOM	Ramsey Shipping Services Ltd.	IOM
EPL Limited	IOM	Ramsey Skips	IOM
Equilibrium	IOM	Redlynch Leisure Installations Ltd.	UK
Farmers Combine Ltd.	IOM	Safety Management Ltd.	IOM
Feltons Ironmongers	IOM	SafetyNet Ltd.	IOM
Ferncroft Environmental IOM Ltd.	IOM	Sanderson Associates Consulting Engineers	IOM
G4S Secure Solutions (IOM) Ltd.	IOM	Screwfix Direct Ltd.	UK
Gough Electrical Ltd.	IOM	Signrite IOM Ltd.	IOM
Haldane Fisher (IOM) Ltd.	IOM	Slade Scaffolding Ltd.	IOM
Hospice Care	IOM	STARK Building Materials Ltd. (formerly Jewsons)	IOM
Howdens Joinery Ltd.	IOM	Suez Recycling & Recovery IOM Ltd.	IOM
ICR Retail Ltd.	IOM	Sure IOM Ltd.	IOM
Infotech Systems Ltd.	IOM	Swept Clean Road Sweeping Services Ltd.	IOM
IOM Government	IOM	2 Clean	IOM
IOM Newspapers Ltd.	IOM	The Garage Door & Gate Auto. Co. Ltd.	IOM
IOM Post Office	IOM	Ulverscroft Ltd.	UK
J Clawson Ltd.	IOM	Unique Fire Protection IOM Ltd.	IOM
J Qualtrough & Co. Ltd.	IOM	Vannin Office Point Ltd.	IOM
J R Riley Ltd.	IOM	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd.	UK
J Wood Tree & Gardening Servs. Ltd.	IOM	Worldpay (UK) Ltd.	UK
Legg Surfacing Ltd.	IOM	Yelloh Ltd.	IOM

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SUMMARY OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE TO 30th APRIL 2026 - Appendix 2

Social Housing	2026-27 to date			Budget for 2026-27		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Housing Schemes	85,937	578,314	(492,377)	5,079,150	5,005,723	73,427
Cl. Woirrey/ Cl. y C Glass	0	0	0	286	0	286
Brookfield Court	1,418	8	1,410	23,103	22,377	726
Close ny Mooragh	8,373	25	8,348	51,790	43,735	8,055
Sub Total	£95,728	£578,347	(£482,619)	£ 5,154,329	£ 5,071,835	£ 82,494

Property and Assets	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Town Hall	3,700	1,389	2,311	246,717	26,673	220,044
Workshops	2,544	0	2,544	105,718	0	105,718
Public Conveniences	3,769	0	3,769	58,104	0	58,104
Courthouse - loan repayment	0	0	0	14,800	0	14,800
Courthouse - maint., H & L etc.	377	0	377	14,253	10,000	4,253
Mansail Lease	30	2,500	(2,470)	5,619	13,347	(7,728)
Lakeside Centre	0	0	0	5,621	12,691	(7,070)
Parklands Day Nursery	0	5,212	(5,212)	4,555	20,767	(16,212)
Bowling Alley	0	0	0	2,031	15,000	(12,969)
Non-Lease Properties	0	0	0	14,366	0	14,366
Prom shelters, benches, signs	4,338	0	4,338	32,945	0	32,945
Private Property Repairs	675	0	675	20,500	0	20,500
CCTV town centre	52	0	52	1,570	0	1,570
Apprentices	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asbestos survey	0	0	0	17,167	0	17,167
R & N Districts Housing C.	149	1,218	(1,069)	9,340	10,274	(934)
Park assets	9,383	0	9,383	92,617	0	92,617
Sub Total	£25,017	£10,319	£14,698	£645,923	£108,752	£537,171

Works & Development	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Foreshores & Flags	133	0	133	4,171	0	4,171
Car Parks	0	14,954	(14,954)	29,862	37,223	(7,361)
Refuse Removal	89,893	36,223	53,670	953,368	180,206	773,162
Civic Amenlty contribution	0	0	0	322,800	0	322,800
Civic Amenity contracting	23,202	109,384	(86,182)	0	0	0
Sewers & Pumps	0	0	0	103,837	103,837	0
Street lighting & maint.	8,956	0	8,956	233,310	0	233,310
Decorative maint.	5	0	5	14,514	0	14,514
Decorative lighting new items	0	0	0	52,000	0	52,000
Local Services	28,998	0	28,998	467,416	0	467,416
Sub Total	£151,187	£160,561	(£9,374)	£2,181,278	£321,266	£1,860,012

Parks & Leisure	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Events & Attractions	233	3,833	(3,600)	64,946	12,667	52,279
Parks & Gardens	27,138	0	27,138	349,979	102	349,877
Games Concessions	0	0	0	30	0	30
Public Library	11,788	586	11,202	160,802	9,248	151,554
Sub Total	£39,159	£4,419	£34,740	£575,757	£22,017	£553,740

Finance & General Purposes	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Administration	16,840	0	16,840	185,273	0	185,273
Office Expenses	69,502	770	68,732	1,040,078	123,764	916,314
Sundry Expenses	392	0	392	16,181	0	16,181
Miscellaneous	4,134	1,687	2,447	68,008	48,262	19,746
Swimming Pool	0	0	0	46,817	0	46,817
Town Band	0	0	0	2,000	0	2,000
Town Centre Management	346	0	346	1,152	74	1,078
Sub Total	£91,214	£2,457	£88,757	£1,359,509	£172,100	£1,187,409

TOTAL	£402,305	£756,103	(£343,479)	£ 9,916,796	£ 5,695,970	£ 4,220,826
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Town rates	£ -	£0	£0	£ -	£ 3,757,866	(£3,757,866)
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**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT
PLANNING APPLICATIONS – MAY, 2026 - PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman and Members,

Copies of the following application has been received from the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture, Planning and Building Control Division under the planning consultation procedures. The application is listed for consideration subject to comments where appended. Hyperlinks are provided on the P.A. No. to link to the plans which are available on the IOM Government website.

P.A. NO.: 26/00200/B
PROPOSED: Replacement of existing conservatory with sunroom and installation of door to south elevation
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Sea Breeze, 31, Royal Park, Ramsey.**

P.A. NO.: 26/00203/B
PROPOSED: Erection of single storey extension to rear elevation of existing dwelling house
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **6, Taubman Street, Ramsey.**

P.A. NO.: 26/00274/B
PROPOSED: Erection of single storey extension to northeast elevation with formation of balcony above with first floor access door, installation of flue to northwest elevation, alterations to fenestration
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Kilmuir, Ballure Promenade, Ramsey.**

P.A. NO.: 26/00276/MCH
PROPOSED: Minor change to 21/01223/REM (erection of a 3 storey dwelling and associated access) erection of lift shaft and installation of ground floor door to rear elevation alteration to roof lights and installation of solar PV panels to southeast roof face
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Land West of 6, Summerland, Seamount Road Ramsey.**

Technical Services Manager's Report – Planning Applications
May, 2026 – Public Continued:

P.A. NO.: 26/00424/B
PROPOSED: Siting of temporary mobile dental unit for a period of 18 months

NOTES: P.A. in Detail

SITE: **Ramsey & District Cottage Hospital, Cumberland Road,
Ramsey.**

B. Wallace,
Technical Services Manager

14th May, 2026.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
NOTICE(S) OF MOTION
MAY 2026 - PUBLIC**

Madam Chairman and Members:

The following Notice of Motion submitted in the name of Mr. J. McGuinness, was presented at the meeting of the Commission held on 15th April, 2026:-

Notice of Motion dated 7th April, 2026 – Library Usage

"That the Board write to the Northern local authorities, namely Andreas Parish Commissioners, Ballaugh Parish Commissioners, Bride Parish Commissioners, Jurby Parish Commissioners, Lezayre Parish Commissioners and any other relevant neighbouring authority where usage is identified, to:

1. Advise of current Ramsey Town Library membership arrangements, whereby Ramsey residents pay an annual fee of £10 and non-residents £20;
2. Provide headline information on current library membership numbers by parish, based on registered user addresses;
3. Invite those authorities to indicate whether they would wish to contribute towards the cost of library membership for their residents, with a view to enabling a reduced fee payable by the out of town user equivalent to that paid by Ramsey residents;
4. Request that, should there be sufficient interest, officers report back to the Board on a potential framework whereby contributions from participating authorities could be invoiced based on actual user numbers.

Supporting statement

This motion and proposal are intended to open a conversation with neighbouring authorities about a more direct and transparent way of supporting a service that is already used by residents across the North.

At present, non-Ramsey residents pay a higher individual fee to access the library. This motion explores whether their local authorities may wish to contribute instead, allowing those residents to access the service at the same rate as Ramsey residents, while ensuring that the cost does not fall solely on Ramsey ratepayers.

It also provides a more proportionate model, where contributions reflect actual usage rather than an assumed or fixed allocation, and supports a broader approach to shared services across the North."

**Notice(s) of Motion – May, 2026,
Public Continued**

The following Notice of Motion is submitted by Mr. J. McGuinness:-

Notice of Motion dated 7th May, 2026 – Amendment to Standing Orders:-

“In accordance with Standing Orders, I hereby give notice that at the next meeting of the Board I will move:

‘That Standing Order 3(2) be deleted and replaced with the following wording:

“At the Annual Meeting of the Board, the Chairman for the preceding municipal year shall preside during the election of Chairman for the ensuing year.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Deputy Chairman shall preside.

In the absence of both, a member chosen by the members present shall preside.

The Town Clerk shall conduct the administrative arrangements for the election.

Upon election, the newly elected Chairman shall take the Chair.”

Reason for Motion

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the procedure for the commencement of the Annual General Meeting and the election of Chairman.

The proposed wording is intended to ensure that the Standing Orders are consistent with and do not derogate from the requirements of primary legislation, namely Schedule 1 to the Local Government Act. The current Standing Order 3(2), departs from that statutory framework (by altering who presides at the commencement of the Annual Meeting), is inconsistent with the Act and therefore potentially of questionable validity. Standing Orders cannot lawfully override or conflict with primary legislation.

Accordingly, I believe the amendment is necessary to bring the Standing Orders into compliance with the Local Government Act and to reduce the risk of procedural challenge to decisions taken at the Annual Meeting.

The amendment also introduces a clearer fallback procedure that mirrors the existing standing orders in circumstances where the Chairman or Deputy Chairman are absent.’

**Notice(s) of Motion – May, 2026,
Public Continued**

The following Notice of Motion is submitted by Mrs. P. Johns-Garrett:

Notice of Motion dated 13th May, 2026 – Bench Seating outside Town Hall Front Doors:

“Notice of motion for bench seating on either side of the Town Hall front doors.

During TT and MGP times they can be put into storage. This for the protection of both the benches and spectators at the races.”

The following Notice of Motion is submitted by Mrs. E. L. Honey:

Notice of Motion dated 14th May, 2026 – Review of Live Broadcasting Public Meetings:

“BACKGROUND

Ramsey Town Commissioners commenced live-streaming public meetings in 2022 using the ‘Live’ feature on the social media platform Facebook. This is undertaken in addition to statutory minute-taking and publication requirements, together with public access through in-person attendance.

PURPOSE

Conducting a review would ensure that the current arrangements remain cost-effective, legally compliant, operationally sustainable, and consistent with the principles of good governance and public accountability.

PROPOSAL

That officers be instructed to undertake a thorough review of the current live broadcasting arrangements for public meetings, including associated costs, officer time, technical setup and operation, administrative impact, data protection considerations, and overall effectiveness, and; to report their findings and recommendations back to the Board in September 2026”

Standing Order 14 - Notices of Motion provides that every motion relating to any new subject or matter not already before the Board, other than a motion which under Standing Order 15 may be moved without notice, shall be given in writing at the ordinary meeting preceding the one at which it is intended to bring it forward.

Standing Order 14 also provides that “the Chairman may, if conducive to the despatch of business, allow the motion to be dealt with at the meeting at which it is brought forward.

15th May, 2026.