



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
SKIDBY PARISH COUNCIL
Tuesday 3 February 2026 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT Councillors P Browning, G Foster (to minute 169/25), K Haslam, T Hasnip, S Hooker, L Varey.

Clerk J Price

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Meredith (ERYC), 4 representatives of National Grid (to minute 169/25)

163/25	Apologies for absence Apologies were received from Councillor Roustoby
164/25	Declarations of Interest – Members Code of Conduct. a) To record any declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest by any member in respect of items on this agenda. Councillor Hasnip declared a pecuniary interest in minute 180/25 as two of the payments related to his partner's business and one was a payment to him and did not take part in the consideration of these items. b) To consider any written requests for dispensations in relation to any items on this agenda No requests had been received.
165/25	Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 13 January 2026 Resolved: that the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 13 January 2026 be accepted as a true and accurate record and be signed by the Chairman.
166/25	Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13 January 2026 Resolved: that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13 January 2026 be accepted as a true and accurate record and be signed by the Chairman.
167/25	Public Questions No members of the public were present.
168/25	Birkhill Wood Substation Planning Application Four representatives of National Grid attended and provided background and context to the substation projects at Birkhill Wood and Wanlass Beck both of which would be required to receive electricity generated by current offshore windfarms and solar projects. Discussion took place on development timescales; the provision of a private access route from the A1079 which would be shared with Orsted and proposed diversions; long term maintenance and management; the role of the National Energy System Operator in co-ordinating energy requirements and delivery; concerns about security of the proposed facilities; community funding and opportunities for apprenticeships. Resolved: that the report be noted.
169/25	Police Report Humber Police had sent apologies for the meeting due to operational demands but reported that there had been no incidents in the last month. Resolved: that the report be noted.
170/25	Planning Matters

	<p>a) Planning Applications</p> <p>Pre-application consultation - EE NTQ 39482 installation of telecoms installation at grass verge west of Beverley Road, Skidby, (E: 502073 N: 433691)</p> <p>Resolved: that whilst the Council recognised the need for improvements to the EE service in the village, it strongly objected to the proposed location which they considered was harmful to visual amenity and too industrial in appearance in a rural setting, especially in such close proximity to Skidby Mill. The Parish Council would prefer a location nearer to the A164, possibly next to the new bus shelter on the stretch of Main Street (N side) between the two roundabouts. It also felt that the mast would be less visually intrusive if it were green rather than grey.</p>
	<p>b) Urgent Planning Applications received after the publication of the agenda</p> <p>The Clerk reported that no applications had been received.</p>
171/25	<p>Update on Skidby Mill</p> <p>The Clerk submitted an update from the ERYC Director of Culture and Customer Services advising the Parish Council that no work had been possible due to the weather conditions but confirming that the sails would be replaced and recommissioned at the same time as the cap.</p> <p>Resolved: that the Clerk requests a further update for the next meeting.</p>
172/25	<p>Update on Flooding Issues</p> <p>Councillors noted that that there had been no recent flooding on Riplingham Road despite heavy rain. It was proposed that updates were moved to bi-monthly unless a particular issue arose.</p> <p>Resolved: that the item be considered at alternate meetings.</p>
173/25	<p>To review the Council's Risk Register</p> <p>The Clerk submitted the Council's risk register which had been updated to strengthen risks around data protection and GDPR. She advised that she would bring a number of IT and data protection policies to the next meeting of the Parish Council.</p> <p>Resolved: that the risk register be agreed.</p>
174/25	<p>Traffic Management Issues – Ferriby 10k</p> <p>The Chair referred to issues that had arisen before and after the Ferriby 10k race on 25 January 2025 in relation to inconsiderate parking particularly on the old Beverley Road, pedestrians in the road and vehicles stopping on the roundabout at the top of Main Street. It was suggested that participants should park away from the village, and that additional stewarding before and after the rolling closure was required.</p> <p>Resolved: that the Clerk contacts ERYC regarding the need for better management of road closures for future races.</p>
175/25	<p>Correspondence and Communications</p> <p>a) Town and Parish Council Meet and Greet</p> <p>The Clerk submitted information about a Town and Parish Council Meet and Greet event that had been arranged for 26 March 2026 in Preston. It was proposed that no-one attend on this occasion.</p> <p>Resolved: that the report be noted.</p>

	<p>b) Millstone on Keldgate – request for it to be repaired</p> <p>The Clerk referred to a request from a resident that the millstone on Keldgate be repaired as it was in a poor condition.</p> <p>Resolved: that the Clerk contacts ERYC in the first instance to seek a repair.</p>
176/25	<p>East Riding of Yorkshire Council Matters</p> <p>a) To receive a report from the Dale Ward Councillors</p> <p>Councillors T and C Gill had sent their apologies. Councillor Meredith attended and reported on a recent report on affordable housing; a significant reduction in the funds available to ERYC and the intention for enforcement issues to be scrutinised as part of the 2026/27 scrutiny programme.</p> <p>Resolved: that the report be noted.</p>
177/25	<p>Updates on ongoing Projects</p> <p>a) Review of Action List</p> <p>The Clerk submitted the action list which showed progress against agreed actions. She reported that further evidence was required to support an application to extend the PSPO to exclude dogs from the Playing Fields, and that the waist twister in the play area would be replaced as the wrong one had been fitted.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the updates be noted, and ii. that Councillors forward evidence of issues at the Playing Fields relating to dogs.
178/25	<p>Events</p> <p>To agree with the date of the 2026 Christmas lights switch-on</p> <p>The Clerk reported on correspondence from the Village Hall Committee indicating that they were planning the Christmas Fair for 29 November 2026 but would like to coordinate with the Christmas lights switch on and were willing to amend the date if necessary. The Parish Council discussed options and proposed a revised date of 6 December 2026 as they felt 29 November 2026 was too early and it also avoided a clash with the Cottingham Christmas Festival.</p> <p>Resolved: that the Village Hall Committee be advised that the Parish Council appreciated the Committee's flexibility and would prefer the light switch on and Christmas Fair to take place on 6th December 2026 to avoid the Cottingham Christmas Festival.</p>
179/25	<p>Finance Update</p> <p>a) Bank Reconciliation</p> <p>The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliations as at 28 January 2026 along with a list of transactions for members' consideration.</p> <p>Resolved: that the report be noted.</p>
	<p>b) Budget update</p> <p>The Clerk submitted an updated budget report showing spend to 31 January 2026.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the budget update be noted, and ii. that the percentage of budget spent be added to future updates.

180/25	Accounts for Payment			
	<i>Councillor Hasnip declared a pecuniary interest in this item insofar as it related to two payments to his partner's business and one payment to himself and did not take part in the consideration of this expenditure.</i>			
Resolved: that the following payments be agreed.				
For Approval		Net	VAT	Total
Clerk's Salary	January	445.38	0	£445.38
HMRC	Income Tax	321.44	0	£321.44
L Moore	Grounds Maintenance - Jan	1003.32	0	£1003.32
L Moore	Removal of shed – LWR cemetery	750.58	0	£750.58
T Hasnip	Reimbursement – Pavilion locks	14.98	3.00	£17.98
For Noting				
Scottish Power	Electric for Pavilion	41.90	2.10	£44.00
Lloyds Bank	Card Charges	3.00	0	£3.00
Unity Bank	Bank Charges	6.00	0	£6.00
Scribe	Cemetery Module	20.00	4.00	£24.00
Business Stream	Water for cemetery	17.02	0	17.02
181/25	Exclusion of the Press and Public			
	Resolved: that the public and press be excluded from the Meeting for the consideration of the following matter on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of confidential information as defined in Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.			
182/25	Clerk's Appraisal			
	To receive a report from the Chair of the Personnel Committee on the outcome of the Clerk's appraisal and agree objectives for 2026/7			
	Resolved: that the outcome of the Clerk's appraisal be noted and objectives for 2026/27 be agreed.			

The meeting concluded at 9.40pm

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 3 March 2026 at 7:30pm

Signed as a true record **Date**
Chairman