



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
SKIDBY PARISH COUNCIL
Tuesday 7 April 2026 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT Councillors P Browning, G Foster, K Haslam, T Hasnip, L Kendall,
L Varey.

Clerk J Price

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Meredith (ERYC)

197/25	Apologies for absence
	Apologies were received from Councillor Hooker
198/25	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 210/25 as one 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.
199/25	Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 3 March 2026
	Resolved: that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 3 March 2026 be accepted as a true and accurate record and be signed by the Chairman.
200/25	Introductory briefing on proposed Clean Air Solar Farm - Ørsted Onshore and PS Renewables
	Three representatives of the project attended and outlined the proposals and provided a plan showing the extent of the project. Councillors expressed their strong objection to the project, referring to grave concerns about the extent of the area covered by the project, noting that it was intended to maximise coverage; the likely impact on ecology and landscape; risks to footpaths and bridleways; impact of loss of agricultural land; land ownership; safety of the proposed battery storage, the cumulative impact of renewable projects either being constructed or proposed and the consequent industrialisation of the countryside. Councillors also expressed their disappointment that the representatives hadn’t attended in person. Resolved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. that a letter be sent to local MPS, and the Shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs expressing the Parish Council’s opposition to the proposals; ii. that adjacent parishes be contacted to consider joint action, and iii. that a public meeting be held on 14 April 2026 to ensure that local parishioners were aware of the proposals and the Parish Council’s concerns.
201/25	Public Questions
	No public were present at the meeting
202/25	Police Report
	Humberside Police had reported that there had been no incidents in the last month. Resolved: that the report be noted.

203/25	Planning Matters
	<p>a) Planning Decisions</p> <p>26/00284/PLF - Erection of single storey extension to side following demolition of existing lean-to, replacement roof over existing single storey element to front and installation of two new windows, 9 Church Rise Skidby - Approved with conditions</p> <p>25/00392/STPLF - Construction of access road, temporary construction compound and attenuation basins, erection of fencing and associated works, Land south of A1079 and north of NGET Substation Creyke Beck, Park Lane, Cottingham - Approved with conditions</p> <p>25/01898/STPLF - Erection of a new 400kV electricity substation, new vehicular access, new access road and associated works, Land south-east of Poplar Farm, Park Lane, Cottingham – Approved with conditions</p> <p>26/00256/TCA - SKIDBY CONSERVATION AREA - Crown reduce 1 no. Fir tree as illustrated to facilitate festive lighting; Crown reduce 1 no. Cherry tree as illustrated to improve access for Christmas lights around the green and to promote healthy growth, Main Street Amenity Land 1 Main Street Skidby – Withdrawn</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the reports be noted, and ii. that the Clerk seeks further clarification regarding the ownership of trees on the village greens.
	<p>b) Planning Applications</p> <p>26/00522/TELCOM - Installation of a 17.5m monopole supporting 3no. antennas, 2no. 300mm transmission dishes, installation of 3no. equipment cabinets and ancillary development, Land north-east of Townend Farm, Beverley Road, Skidby – comments submitted under delegated powers</p> <p>It was reported that this application had now been withdrawn</p> <p>26/00537/TPO - TPO - RAYWELL NO. 1 - 2008 (REF 1145) A1 - Crown reduce 1 no. Eucalyptus tree by 3-4 metres and remove 1 no. split limb as illustrated to reduce long limbs over access, address crown bias, and reduce potential for further limbs snapping in high winds, Raywell Hall Country Lodge Park, Riplingham Road, Raywell</p> <p>Resolved: that Skidby Parish Council had no objection to this application.</p>
	<p>c) Urgent Planning Applications received after the publication of the agenda</p> <p>The Clerk reported that no applications had been received.</p>
	<p>d) To receive feedback on a pre-engagement planning meeting regarding the construction of a Transfer Loading Station (TLS) on land at the Biowise site</p> <p>Councillor Haslam had attended the meeting and reported that Biowise was planning to introduce smaller maturation bays which would be filled and covered more quickly than the existing 4 large bays with the aim of reducing the escape of odours. They planned to undertake public consultation on the proposals.</p> <p>Resolved: that the report be noted.</p>

204/25	Update on Skidby Mill
	<p>The Clerk submitted an update from the ERYC Director of Culture and Customer Services advising the Parish Council the millwright had been on site for three days undertaking preparatory and decorative works and was scheduled to return in the week commencing 13 April to continue with the remaining redecorations subject to weather conditions. Councillors commented that it had been a year since the Director had attended the Parish Council and promised to attend regularly.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. that the Clerk requests that the Director of Culture and Customer Service attend the May meeting of the Parish Council, and ii. that feedback on the internal damp issues be sought.
205/25	Correspondence and Communications
	<p>a) Request from resident regarding additional plaque on bench at Gallows Hill</p> <p>Resolved: that permission be granted for an additional plaque on the bench at Gallows Hill subject to the Clerk approving the proposed wording.</p>
	<p>b) Request from a resident to place a veg stall/shed on parish land</p> <p>The Clerk referred to a query from a member of the public regarding whether the Parish Council would agree to a veg stall/or shed on East Green with an honesty box.</p> <p>Resolved: that the request be approved in principle subject to clarification regarding any licences/permissions that might be required.</p>
206/25	East Riding of Yorkshire Council Matters
	<p>a) To receive a report from the Dale Ward Councillors</p> <p>Councillor Meredith attended and noted that he had no further items to add to those already considered by the Council.</p> <p>Resolved: that the report be noted.</p>
207/25	Updates on ongoing Projects
	<p>a) Review of Action List</p> <p>The Clerk submitted the action list which showed progress against agreed actions.</p> <p>Resolved: that the updates be noted.</p>
	<p>b) To consider planting on School Green /EastGreen</p> <p>The Clerk reported that some of the trees on School Green and East Green had died. It was also proposed to replace the tree on Church Green once ownership had been clarified.</p> <p>Resolved: that additional and replacement trees be purchased.</p>
208/25	Cemeteries Issues
	<p>To consider arrangements for memorial inspections</p> <p>The Clerk referred to a recent meeting she had initiated with other parishes responsible for cemeteries. The meeting had been useful and had identified that most parishes undertook their own memorial inspections. She suggested that a programme of inspections should be drawn up and appropriate publicity be undertaken to maximise awareness amongst parishioners and memorial owners about what the inspection would entail.</p>

	Resolved: that publicity material be prepared to advertise the proposed memorial inspection programme.																																																																	
209/25	Finance Update																																																																	
	a) Bank Reconciliation The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliations as at 31 March 2026 along with a list of transactions for members' consideration. Resolved: that the report be noted.																																																																	
	b) Budget update The Clerk submitted an updated budget report showing spend to 31 March 2026. Resolved: that the budget update be noted.																																																																	
	c) To review subscriptions to ERNNLCA/NALC The Clerk referred to the invoice received from ERNLLCA and NALC for 2026/27 noting that their services were generally useful. She recommended that the subscriptions be renewed. Resolved: that the subscriptions to ERNLLCA/NALC be renewed for 2026-27																																																																	
	d) To note Clerk's progression on salary scale The Clerk reported that in line with her contract and following a satisfactory appraisal she automatically progressed to point 15 with effect from 1 April 2026. Resolved: that the report be noted.																																																																	
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	<i>Councillor Hasnip declared a pecuniary interest in this item insofar as it related to one payment 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.																																																																	
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The meeting concluded at 9.21 pm

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 5 May 2026 at 7:30pm

Signed as a true record Date
Chairman