

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
SKIDBY PARISH COUNCIL
Tuesday 4 August 2026 at 7.30pm**

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

Clerk J Price

IN ATTENDANCE: 4 members of the public (to minute 54a)

62/26	Apologies for absence
	No apologies had been received.
63/26	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 76/26 as one of the payments related to his partner's business and did not take part in the consideration of this item.
	b) To consider any written requests for dispensations in relation to any items on this agenda No requests had been received
64/26	Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9 June 2026
	Resolved: that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9 June 2026 be accepted as a true and accurate record and be signed by the Chairman.
65/26	To agree an amendment to minutes F19/25 of the Finance Committee and 155/25 of the Parish Council to reflect the correct amount of the precept demand as £51,531 and not £51,530
	The Clerk reported that an error had been noted in the minutes of both the Finance Committee and Parish Council of 13 January 2026 where the precept demand had been recorded as £51530 rather than £53531. The correct amount had been requested from the East Riding of Yorkshire Council. Resolved: that the correction to minutes F19/25 of the Finance Committee and 155/25 of the Parish Council to reflect the correct amount of the precept demand as £51,531 and not £51,530 be agreed.
66/26	Public Questions
	The Clerk reported that no questions had been received. Resolved: that the report be noted.
67/26	Police Report
	The Clerk reported that no report had been received from the police. Resolved: that the report be noted.
68/26	Planning Matters

	a) Planning applications 26/01767/PLF - Erection of detached outbuilding following demolition of existing garage (part retrospective), 18 Little Weighton Road Skidby Four residents attended and outlined their concerns about the application. Councillors considered the application and representations made. Resolved: that Skidby Parish Council objects to this application. There are no details provided of dimensions of the outbuilding which appears to be a shipping container with an additional pitched roof. The outbuilding appears to exceed the dimensions acceptable as permitted development as well as the proximity to the boundary of neighbouring properties. The Parish Council considers the outbuilding to be overdevelopment of the site, and overbearing due to the significant height difference compared with properties on Orchard Road. Due to the difference in height between the gardens of properties on Little Weighton Road and Orchard Road there are concerns about potential slippage, particularly given the condition of the boundary wall. It is believed that that the outbuilding will be used as a garden room rather than a garage and is a permanent rather than temporary structure. The Parish Council is also concerned about the external appearance of the structure noting that whilst cladding has been added to the sides visible to the applicant, there have been no amendments to the sides exposed to residents on Orchard Road and feels that the structure is incompatible with the village aesthetic.
	b) Urgent Planning Applications received after the publication of the agenda 23/02839/STVAR - Variation of Condition 1 (approved plans) of planning permission 17/02757/STREM (Erection of 180 dwellings and associated highway infrastructure following outline planning permission 14/01325/STOUTE (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale to be considered) to allow amendments to the site layout, landscaping layout and POS landscape proposals, Playing Fields Castle Road Cottingham Resolved: that the Parish Council had no objections to the application. 26/01848/PLB - Listed Building Consent for rebuilding/remedial works to property following fire damage, including rebuilding of roof structure, internal reconfiguration and rebuilding of extensions, West Cottage Westfield Road Eppleworth Resolved: that Skidby Parish Council has no objections to this application provided that proposed reinstatement works reflect approved plans and comply with any requirements of the Conservation Officer and/or English Heritage. 26/00038/ENFORC - Lawns Farm, Park Lane, Cottingham Resolved: that Skidby Parish Council supported the decision of the Council to take this enforcement action.
69/26	Correspondence and Communications
	a) ERYC Draft Site Assessment and Selection Methodology

	The Clerk referred to a consultation document circulated by ERYC seeking views on the issues that should be considered in assessing site suitability for future development as part of the Local Plan review. Councillors commented on potential issues including flooding, traffic, lack of facilities and the importance of maintaining historical vistas and archaeological features. Resolved: that the Clerk submits a response on behalf of the Parish Council.
	b) Doncaster – Sheffield Airport’s Airspace Change Proposal - Public Consultation The Clerk submitted a consultation document setting out anticipated impacts of the proposed airspace changes associated with the re-opening of Doncaster - Sheffield Airport and seeking the Parish Council’s views. Resolved: that the Parish Council did not have any comments on the proposals
70/26	East Riding of Yorkshire Council Matters
	a) To receive an update from Dale Ward Councillors The Clerk reported that Councillor Meredith had given his apologies, so no report was available. Resolved: that the report be noted.
71/26	Updates on ongoing Projects
	a) Review of Action List The Clerk submitted the action list which showed progress against agreed actions. She updated the Council regarding the response from ERYC regarding a site meeting to consider the proposed additional flood works; the need to progress adding a tyre to the end of the tunnel at the Pavilion; repairs to the pavilion roof and the associated removal of a wasp nest to enable the work to be completed. Resolved: that the updates be noted.
72/26	Playing Fields Issues
	a) To consider issues arising from the play equipment inspections. Councillors noted that no issues had been identified but that previous proposals to install tyres to the end of the tunnel needed to be progressed. Resolved: i. that the reports be noted, and ii. that Councillors identify whether they had tyres available to install on the ends of the tunnel.
	b) To consider request for hedge cutting The Clerk reported that a resident had requested information on dates for cutting back hedges adjacent to the flood defences at the Playing Fields, It was agreed that the hedges around the whole Playing Fields should be cut back whilst the weather was dry. Resolved: that the Clerk issues an order to G O Foster to cut the hedges around the Playing Fields, which were not already included in the Grounds Maintenance contract.

73/26	Events
	a) To agree plans for the Christmas Lights Switch-on event Councillors considered proposals for the Christmas Lights switch-on and concluded that the previous format had proved successful. Councillors considered other attractions such as decorated tractors or the possibility of a tractor run through the village. Resolved: i. that the format and plans for the Christmas Lights switch-on event be agreed, ii. that the Clerk investigates options for a tractor run through the village during the event or for decorated tractors to be parked up through the village.
	b) To review the Christmas Lights switch-on risk assessment Councillors considered the draft risk assessment, noting that it would need to be amended to accommodate any arrangements to involve decorated tractors. Resolved: i. that the Risk Assessment be approved ii. that the risk assessment is updated and resubmitted to the Council if additional activities are added to the event.
74/26	Finance Update
	a) Bank Reconciliation The Clerk submitted the bank reconciliations as at 30 July 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 30 July 2026. Resolved: that the budget update be noted.
75/26	c) To note the rateable value of the Playing Fields and Pavilion The Clerk reported that the recent referral to the Valuation Office had generated a rateable value for the Playing Fields of £4750. She proposed to apply for Small Business Rates relief. Resolved: that the report be noted.
76/26	Accounts for Payment

<i>Councillor Hasnip declared a pecuniary interest in this item insofar as it related to a payment to his partner's business 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	July	452.03	0	£452.03
HMRC	Income Tax	327.95	0	£327.95
L Moore	Grounds Maintenance – July	1033.42	0	£1033.42
For Noting				
Scottish Power	Electric for Pavilion	17.08	.85	£17.93
Scottish Power	Electric for Pavilion	26.32	1.32	£27.64
Scottish Power	Electric for Pavilion	16.94	.85	£17.79
Lloyds Bank	Card Fee	3.00	0	£3.00
Unity bank	Bank Charges	7.00	0	£7.00
Business Stream	Water for Cemetery	19.74	0	£19.74
Business Stream	Water for Playing Fields	56.82	0	£56.82
Scribe cemetery module	Subscription	20.00	4.00	£24.00

The meeting concluded at 8.40pm

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 1 September 2026 at 7:30pm

Signed as a true record Date
Chairman