



Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting (Meeting of the Electors) Aiskew and Leeming Bar Wards held on Wednesday 20th May 2026 at the Church Hall, Aiskew at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr J Asquith (Chair)		Members of the Public (Inc Parish Cllrs): 9
Clerked by: Mr R Clare		
No	Item	
1	Chairs welcome. The Chair welcomed all for attending.	
2	Chairs report. The Chair delivered their annual report on activity within the Parishes throughout the year. They thanked the Councillors for their time and commitment to the Council.	
3	Minutes. The Minutes from the last Annual Parish Meeting held on Wednesday 21 st May 2026 were approved.	
4	<p>Public Question Time.</p> <p>A member of the public requested an update on the proposed supermarket and drive through coffee shop on Bedale Road in Aiskew. The Council has no further information less the outline planning permission granted by North Yorkshire Council on 1st October 2025 (ZB223/00803/OUT).</p> <p>A member of the public requested an update on the proposed extension of the white zig zag lines on the pedestrian crossing in Aiskew. A meeting was held on 15th December 2025 where North Yorkshire Council agreed to the works. The Clerk will chase the project lead for an update.</p> <p>A member of the public requested that the Parish Council report an overhanging hedge on Sandhill Lane in Aiskew. The Clerk will visit the house and speak to the owners and request that it be cut back.</p>	
5	<p>What has happened in the Parish this year?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Award of £20k Lottery Grant for new play equipment in Leeming Bar playpark. 2. New zip wire in Kingfisher playpark. 3. New goal nets in Kingfisher playpark. 4. New soft close gates to Leeming Bar playpark. 5. Donation of £1200 to Bedale Bonfire. 6. Donation of £1030 to Bedale Youth Forum. 7. Donation of £100 to Citizens Advice Bureau. 8. Donation of £500 to Bedale Scouts. 9. Supply of Christmas Tree for Leeming Bar. 10. Fitting of new gates to allotments in Leeming Bar. 11. Provision of permanent power supply for Christmas Tree for Leeming Bar. 12. New pads for 2 x AED Defibrillator. 13. Refurbishment of Coronation Bench - Aiskew. 14. Refurbishment of mile post marker – Leeming Bar. 15. Installation of memorial stone – Leeming playpark. 16. Planting of 15 new trees – Freeman’s Way Park. 17. Anti-bird spikes fitted to all swings in all parks. 18. All allotments have tenants with a waiting list of 6. 	

6	<p>Work in Progress.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fence surrounding Leeming Bar playpark memorial stone. 2. Repairs to fencing and gate posts allotments in Leeming Bar. 3. Extension of white zig zag lines – pedestrian crossing – Aiskew. 4. New housing developments <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Northallerton Road, Leeming Bar. b. Blind Lane, Aiskew. c. Harkness Drive, Leeming Bar. d. Planning for new food store and drive through coffee shop.
7	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>It was noted that in accordance with the agreed schedule, the next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 19th May April 2027 at the RC Church Hall, Aiskew (subject to change).</p>
8	<p>There being no other business, the Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 7.14 pm.</p>
<p>Signed:</p> <p>Date:</p> <p>Cllr J Asquith Chair Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council</p>	