Aiskew & Leeming Bar Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council held on Wednesday 15th July 2026 at the RC Church Hall, Aiskew at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr J Asquith (Chair), Cllr J Kennedy (Vice Chair), Cllr P Edworthy, Cllr M Chaloner, Cllr H Robson, Cllr N Turfrey. Clerked by: Mr R Clare County Councillor: Not in attendance Cllr Apologies: Cllr I Marr, Cllr Utley Cllr not present: Nil Members of the Public: 5	
No	**Item**
44	**Representations from the public**
44/1	A resident expressed a concern over Planning Application ZB24/02311/FUL. They stated that numerous processes had been ignored and that the reference to the Local Plan was incorrect.
44/2	A resident was concerned over the increase of Dog Fouling on Paddock Lane in Leeming Bar. The resident stated that Paddock Lane was not a Public Right of Way. The Parish Council advised that the resident erect signs to inform members of the public.
45	Council to receive **apologies for absence** and to consider **approval of reason for absence** given by Councillors. **RESOLVED** that the apologies were received and reasons for absence given by Cllr Marr and Cllr Utley were received and accepted. Cllr Chaloner raised a concern over Cllr Marrs attendance during the previous 12 months which was **NOTED** by Council.
46	To receive **declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests**, other **registerable interests**, and **non-registerable interests** for the agenda under discussion. **None received.**
47	**Minutes**
47/1	To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on **Wednesday 17th June 2026** are a true and correct record. **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a true record and were signed by the Chair.
47/2	**Matters arising Minute #35.** The Council has received a response from NYC Highways in regard to the concerns over the safety of the bend on Sandhill Lane. The Council **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would request a site visit with Highways with a view to extending the Double Yellow lines to improve safety.
48	To receive and consider the updates from the **North Yorkshire Councillor.** The Councillor was not present at the meeting.
49	To receive and consider the **North Yorkshire Police Crime Report** for the month of June 2026. **RESOLVED** that the report received was accepted.
50	To receive and consider the following **Local External Committee Reports. RESOLVED** that the reports received to date be accepted. **Joint Burial Authority** – No meeting held. **RESOLVED** that the Council would ask the Burial Board if Yvonne Rose could represent the Council at the next meeting. **Bedale Hall Trust CIO** – No meeting held. **Leeming Bar Charity** – No meeting held. **Bedale and Community Villages Forum** – No meeting held. **Four and Twenty** – Meeting held 14th July – Minutes will be distributed to Cllrs.
51	**Bedale Hall. NOTED** that Cllr Asquith has written to North Yorkshire Council to establish the points of contact in respect of the lease.
52	**Update on Planning Enforcement** TPO:21/00002 TPO2 Aiskew. The Council has received the final report from NYC Planning Enforcement from April 2026 Parish Council Meeting – Minute 206/1. **RESOLVED** that the matter was considered closed.

53 **Update on Bedale Fireworks.** The Council has received a response from Bedale Town Council in regard to Fireworks 2026 from June Parish Council Meeting – Minute 37/5. **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would write to the Town Council prior to the 2027 display to request specific details on the Town Councils considerations to the environmental impact reductions for that years display.

54 **Matters to be considered from requests by Councillors.**

54/1 Cllr Kennedy is concerned with the lack of seating within the Parish Council maintained Bus Stop in Leeming Bar (Opp Reubens). Council to consider the purchase of 2 x benches @£357.33 each (less fitting) using the CIL fund. **RESOLVED** that the Councill would purchase and install 2 x vandal proof benches from Glasdon.

54/2 Cllr Asquith raised concerns over the legal right of way of the path on Aiskew Bank following a request from a local resident. **RESOLVED** that the Councill would start the process of adding the path to the North Yorkshire definitive map as a designated right of way.

55 **Planning**

55/1 **PROPOSAL:** Erection of new warehouse units to serve an existing car accessories business.
LOCATION: Land Between 39 And 41 Northallerton Road, Leeming Bar.
APPLICANT: Mr Snowden ZB24/02311/FUL. – This application was GRANTED by NYC Planning Services on 10th July 2026. RESOLVED that the Council would write to North Yorkshire Council with concerns over the due diligence in the planning process and to ask the following questions:

a. What are the specific criteria used to determine whether a planning application is considered by a planning committee rather than determined under delegated powers?

b. Why did the planning officer state that the site formed part of the Local Plan, and to which Local Plan was reference being made?

55/2 **PROPOSAL:** Variation of Condition 7 (off site highways) to remove the requirement to provide pedestrian crossing facilities on Northallerton Road.
LOCATION: Land Off Northallerton Road, Leeming Bar.
APPLICANT: Mr Gibson ZB26/00166/MRC. **NOTED** this application was **GRANTED** by NYC Planning Services on 26th May 2026. **RESOLVED** to respond to the local planning authority that the Council has **no objections** to the application.

56 **Finance**

56/1 The Council received the **finalised accounts** and bank reconciliation for the month of **June 2026. RESOLVED** that the accounts were signed off by two Councillors as a true and accurate statement of accounts in accordance with the Councils standing orders and financial regulations.

56/2 The Council considered the following requests for payment and **RESOLVED** to approve all payments as listed:

Supplier	Date of Invoice	Item	Net Cost	VAT	Total
GCH	01/07/26	Grass Cutting Jun 26	£1030.60	£206.12	£1236.72
Diocese of Middlesborough	15/07/26	Hall Hire	£30.00	£0.00	£30.00
Clerk	15/07/26	Expenses – Silicone Glue for swings	£12.84	£0.00	£12.84
Nortelco	25/07/26	Telephone Bill – Jun 26	£8.97	£1.79	£10.76
S C R Landscapes	TBC	Replacement Gate (Steel) post - Allotments	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00
Wallace Fabrications	30/06/26	Fencing for Memorial Stone	£1000.00	£200.00	£1200.00
GCH	06/07/26	Cut back scrub and hedges Freeman's Way	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00

56/3	**Salaries May. RESOLVED to note** that the salaries, working from home allowance and PAYE for June, have been paid in accordance with the employees' contract of employment.
56/4	**RESOLVED to note** that the bank account balances as at 30/06/26 were: Current Account **£8,672.67** Deposit Account **£66,306.00**
56/5	**VAT. NOTED** that a VAT reclaim of **£1181.49** was submitted to HMRC on 1/7/26 and was received on 6/7/26.
56/6	**New Laptop. RESOLVED** to approve the quote from WJPS for a replacement Laptop for the Council at a total cost of £973.00. Current Laptop is 4 years old and will be retained as a spare for business continuity.
56/7	**Noticeboard. RESOLVED** to approve the quote from the Parish Noticeboard Company for the purchase of a new noticeboard for Aiskew at a cost of **£815.00. RESOLVED** to approve the quote from NY Highways of **£560.00** for the installation of the noticeboard. The new noticeboard will be located beside the bus stop layby on the Bedale Road where the snicket from Spruce Gill Drive meets the main road.
56/8	**Tree Surgery. RESOLVED** to request further information regarding the quotes received for the Tree surgery required on Otterbeck Way, and that Cllrs would approve via email once received.
56/9	**PPE. RESOLVED** to approve the quote from J T Atkinson for **£43.64** for the purchase of PPE equipment for the Clerk.
57	**Grant Requests. Bedale Town Council. RESOLVED** to grant £500.00 towards the cost of the Christmas Fayre 26.
58	**Clerks Report.** To receive and consider the Clerks Report. **RESOLVED** that the Council accepted the Clerks Report for June 2026.
59	To receive and consider any business not transacted during this meeting, to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. **RESOLVED** that Cllrs would contact the Clerk to add any items.
60	**Date of next meeting**. It was **NOTED** that in accordance with the agreed schedule, the next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council would be held on **Wednesday 16th September** at the Leeming Bar Community Hub 7pm.
61	There being no other business, the Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at **8.26 pm.**

Signed:

Date:

Cllr J Asquith
Chair Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council