Aiskew & Leeming Bar
Parish Council

Minutes of Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 18th February 2026 at the 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 Mr R Clare (Clerk)		Not Present: Cllr Marr, Cllr Utley. Members of the Public: None County Councillor: Cllr J Weighell
No	**Item**	**Resolutions**
170	**Representations from the Public**	No members of the public attended the meeting.
171	Council to receive **apologies for absence.**	**Cllr Marr** and **Cllr Utley** sent their apologies.
172	To consider the approval of **reasons for absence** given by councillors.	**RESOLVED** that the reasons for absence given by Cllr Marr and Cllr Utley were received and approved.
173	To receive **declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests**, other registerable interests, and non-registerable interests for the agenda under discussion.	None received.
174	To confirm the minutes of meeting held on **Wednesday 21st January 2026** as a true and correct record.	**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council held on 21st January 2026 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.
175	To receive and consider the presentation from Mr Alex Carlisle from HIAB UK in respect of the proposed relocation from Londonderry to Leeming Bar – Planning Application ZB26/00107/FUL.	**RESOLVED** that the report from Mr Carlise be noted.
176	To receive and consider the **North Yorkshire Police Crime Report** for the month of January 2026. The PCSO was questioned about the recent incident involving Armed Police Officers in the 'Meadowfield' area of Aiskew. The Council was reassured that the person of interest had been apprehended. The Council requested that in future local residents were informed and updated, so as to provide reassurance and alleviate fears. A Councillor requested additional information with regards to 'violence against the person', The PCSO responded that North Yorkshire Police would not divulge information which would identify persons.	**RESOLVED** that the report be accepted.
177	To receive and consider the updates from the **North Yorkshire Councillor.** The Councillor confirmed that the North Yorkshire Council Tax 2026/27 would see a 4.99% increase. The Councillor confirmed that the Boundary Commission Review recommendations were now with Parliament for sign off.	**RESOLVED** that the report from the North Yorkshire Councillor be noted.

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	The Councillor reminded all that standards in public office were important for transparency and public trust, and that all interests must be declared.	
178 178/1 178/2 178/3 178/4 178/5	To receive and consider the following **Local External Committee Reports.** Joint Burial Authority – Report to follow. Bedale Hall Trust CIO – Report distributed via Email. Leeming Bar Charity – No meeting held. Bedale and Community Forum – Awaiting Minutes. Four and Twenty – No meeting held.	**RESOLVED** that the reports received to date be accepted.
179 179/1	Matters to be considered from requests by Councillors. The Council received a report from a Councillor who wishes to erect a bow top fence around the memorial stone in Leeming Bar Playpark. Additionally, that the grass area inside the new fence be removed and replaced with gravel or slate.	**RESOLVED** that the Clerk provide options and quotes for the works proposed. The Fence will likely need to be bespoke. The Council will seek to use a local Blacksmith/Metal worker to manufacture the fencing.
180 180/1 180/2 180/3 180/4 180/5 180/6 180/7	**Planning** Planning Decision notice for **ZB25/01784/ADV**, Street Record, Theakston Grange to Leases Bridge, Leeming Bar. Planning Decision notice for **ZB25/02229/CAT**, Allotments, The Bridge, Aiskew. Planning Decision notice for **ZB25/02226/FUL**, Banks Cottage, 48 Bedale Road, Aiskew. Planning Decision notice for **ZB25/02252/FUL**, Fairfield, 73 Bedale Road, Aiskew. Planning Decision notice for **ZB25/02038/FUL**, Long Garth, 72 Bedale Road, Aiskew. Planning Decision notice for **ZB25/02147/FUL**, Barn to the rear of Belle Vue, 29 Bedale Road, Aiskew. The application **ZB26/00094/FUL** for a proposed single storey extension to create kitchen, family area, dining utility and shower room. Rosedene, 53 Leeming Lane, Leeming Bar.	 **NOTED** that the application was **granted** by NYC planning services on 21st January 2026. **NOTED** that the application was **rejected** by NYC planning services on 28th January 2026. **NOTED** that the application was **granted** by NYC planning services on 6th February 2026. **NOTED** that the application was **granted** by NYC planning services on 10th February 2026. **NOTED** that the application was **granted** by NYC planning services on 12th February 2026. **NOTED** that the application was **Withdrawn** on 12th February 2026. **RESOLVED** to respond to the local planning authority that the Council has **no objections** to the application.

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180/8	The application **ZB26/00116/FUL** for proposed conversion of garage to habitable accommodation including new windows. 43 Robin Way, Aiskew.	**RESOLVED** to respond to the local planning authority that the Council has **no objections** and the following **comments** to the application: 'The Council has received numerous complaints from residents on the Beaumont Gate development about the lack of parking, forcing cars to obstruct properties and footpaths. The Council is concerned that garages that could hold a car within that are subsequently converted to living spaces will further exacerbate the issue'.
180/9	The application **ZB26/00107/FUL** for change of use from Class B8 Storage and Distribution to Class B2 General Industrial, external alterations to the create new windows and doorways, erection of new palisade fencing, display of branding signage and concrete hard standing extension. Moors View, Coneygarth Way, Leeming Bar.	**RESOLVED** to respond to the local planning authority that the Council has **no objections** to the application.
180/10	The application **ZB26/00122/MRC** for modification/removal of condition 2 (drawing and docs) extend office and the elevation treatment, for previously approved application ZB25/00070/FUL. Caw Ingredients, Coneygarth Way, Leeming Bar.	**RESOLVED** to respond to the local planning authority that the Council has **no objections** to the application.
181	**Finance**	
181/1	The council received the **finalised accounts** and Bank Reconciliation for the month of **January 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.
181/2	The council considered the following requests for payment: **Cllr Turfrey –** Mileage Claim **£24.48** **Clerk –** Mileage Claim **£52.20** **Diocese of Middlesbrough** – Hall Hire **£30.00** **Nortelco** – Telephone Bill Jan 26 **£10.00**	**RESOLVED** to approve all payments as listed.
181/3	**Salaries January 2026.**	**RESOLVED to note** that the salaries, working from home allowance and PAYE for January, have been paid in accordance with the employees' contract of employment.
181/4	The council noted that the **bank balances** as at 31/01/26 were: Current Account **£7313.43** Deposit Account **£75,306.00**	**RESOLVED to note** that the bank account balances were received.
181/5	To receive and consider the quote from Morgans Estates to refurbish the Mile Marker post outside Leeming Bar playpark for a maximum cost of £150.00.	**RESOLVED** to approve the quote.

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182	To consider excluding the press and public (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)) for the purpose of considering Staffing matters	**RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the meeting.
183	As a result of the annual appraisal process, to receive and consider the proposal to amend the Clerks weekly hours.	**RESOLVED** that the council agreed to amend the Clerks hours to 15 hours per week from 1st March 2026 but to note that this would only apply to the current clerk and any future appointment would initially revert to the previous hours.
184	To receive and consider the proposal that the Council increase the salary step (NALC pay arrangements) from **SCP 25** to **SCP 26** in accordance with their contract of employment.	**RESOLVED** that the Clerk move from salary step SCP 25 to SCP 26 from 1st April 2026.
185	To receive and consider any business not transacted during this meeting, to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.	**RESOLVED** that there was no further business that was transacted during the meeting.
186	**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 18th March 2026** at the **Leeming Bar Community Hub, Leeming Bar.**	
187	There being no other business, the Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at **8.15 pm.**	
Signed: Cllr J Asquith Chair Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish Council		Date:

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