

# MARSKE AND NEW FOREST PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the ordinary Council Meeting held in St Edmunds Church on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025

**Present:** Cllr Meredith (Chairman)      Cllr Villiers      Cllr M Wallis  
**Clerk:** MRS C Smith      1 Member of the public

**25.52 Public representations-** None.

**25.53 Apologies-** Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Ridley.

**25.54 Declaration of interest-** None declared.

**25.55 Minutes held on the Wednesday 14th May 2025-** Approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

**25.56 Reports**

a. **Dales Police Report-** was received and noted (see appendix).

b. **Updates from Councillors.**

- Cllr Villiers reported progress on the Emergency Plan, which is in development and will be implemented in due course.
- A notification from Yorkshire Ambulance Service (YAS) was received regarding recruiting community first responders for the Richmond area. It was agreed to circulate this via the council's WhatsApp group.
- Cllr Meredith reported that, regrettably, the signpost restoration has been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances. She will liaise with the contractor to obtain an update on the revised timescales.

**25.57 Conservation Area Appraisal** – An update was received from the YDNP Planning Authority confirming that work with consultants (Purcell) is ongoing to finalise the documents and define the extension area, following the public meeting in the village. The Council will be informed of further progress.

**25.58 Coast to Coast path-** An update was provided. Contact has been made to request support with funding for a litter bin or additional signage to encourage responsible disposal of dog waste by walkers.

**25.59 Waste bins-** Discussions were held regarding the current location and potential relocation of existing bins.

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Details were shared about costs and installation requirements for an additional bin (£485 + VAT), with the following criteria:

- Placement within 4m of an accessible highway
- Necessary permissions if on non-Parish land
- Notification to nearby residents or businesses

**Action: Clerk to enquire about available bin types and sizes, and request suggested locations from councillors.**

**25.60 Highways-** The council reviewed procedures for requesting a speed limit reduction. It was agreed to request speed monitoring on Skelton Lane.

**25.61 Planning-** An update was received regarding a planning application at Telfit. Three councillors attended a site visit. Planning permission was granted with conditions, including a reduction in the number of events and a limit on large-scale events.

**25.62 Finance- Annual Governance and Accountability Return:**

- a) The Annual Internal Audit Report was noted (page 3 of the AGAR).
- b) The Council discussed the internal auditor's report and will take forward any recommendations.
- c) The Statement of Accounts to 31st March 2025 was received, and the Council agreed to claim exemption from external audit for 2024/25.
- d) Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2024/25 was approved.
- e) Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2024/25 was approved.
- f) The period for the exercise of public rights was noted: Friday 6th June to Monday 16th July 2025.
- g) The Council approved the publication of the following documents in accordance with the Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015:
  - Annual Internal Audit Report 2024/25
  - Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2024/25
  - Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2024/25
  - Notice of public rights and other required information
  - Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2024/25 Form 2

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## Additional Financial Matters:

- a) The Bank Reconciliation dated 31st May 2025 was approved.
- b) The bank balance was noted as £8,466.20.
- c) The following payments were approved:
  - Account-Ant Yorkshire Ltd – £147.66
  - ICO Fees – £52.00
  - YLCA – £66.00
  - Salaries – as per payroll

## **25.63 Exchange of information & items for the next Agenda - Emergency Plan update**

- Highways speeding report
- Best Kept Village (BKV) entry
- Feedback from North Yorkshire Council Planning regarding tech/sound quality of speeches in the planning meeting.

## **25.64 Next meeting date- The next Full Council Meeting will take place on Thursday 11th September 2025.**

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## Appendix

### Monthly Police Report – 7<sup>th</sup> Apr - 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025

We do not report crimes whereby victims could be identified, for Domestic Violence or Harassment although these are included in the totals below.

Leyburn Police Station covers the areas of Arkengarthdale, Swaledale from Hudswell up to the county border. Wensleydale from the Hambleton to Cumbria borders, Coverdale and Bishopdale.

Incidents of note; Overnight 10<sup>th</sup> Apr, a water pump from a mobile crusher was stolen from Shawl Quarry Tip, Leyburn. Overnight 11<sup>th</sup> Apr, a towed green 2,500litre capacity wheeled diesel Bowser containing 1,000 litres of diesel with attached Honda pump and Jigsaw Fuel dispenser and Solar Panel was stolen from Wensley Quarry, Rednire. Overnight 4<sup>th</sup> May, a white Ford Tranit Van was stolen from the Redmire area. Overnight 5<sup>th</sup> May, a number of newly planted shrubs were stolen from the community area known as “ Georges Garden ” in Hawes.

4 – Lost/Found.

9 – Voilence.

9 – Concern for safety.

9 – Highway Disruption (Animals/Floods/Trees).

15 – Abandoned calls.

10 – Road Traffic Collisions (minor).

11 – Road Related Offences (manner of driving/vehicles without tax and possible OPL).

5 – Theft.

2 – Missing person.

2 – Criminal Damage.

1 – Wildlife.

3 – Antisocial Behaviour (personal).

3 – ASB (nuisance).

11 – Suspicious Circumstances (Door to door sellers/vehicles parked/etc).

1 – Burglary.

2 – Civil Dispute.

In total 127 calls were received reporting either the above or making general enquiries.

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The Neighbourhood Team will continue attending Town/Parish meetings and Community drop ins/events permitting.

PCSO 5777 Sharon Diamond has now departed the sunny climes of Leyburn Police station and is now working from and covering Richmonds area.

PCSO 5232 Don Watson. PC 355 Heather Campbell. PCSO 5550Tracie Taylor-Page