

MARSKE AND NEW FOREST PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk to the Council – MRS Charlotte Smith

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 21 May 2026 – 7.00pm

St Edmund's Church, Marske

Present: Cllr Meredith, Cllr Ridley, Cllr Villiers, Cllr Wallis, 3 Members of the Public, MRS Charlotte Smith

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.00pm, welcomed all present, and explained that only those registered as Local Government Electors for the Parish are entitled to vote at the Annual Parish Meeting.

2. Minutes of the Previous Annual Parish Meeting

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in 2025 were considered.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman presented the following report summarising the Parish Council's activities and achievements over the past year:

Chair's Report – Marske Parish Meeting, 21 May 2026

The Chairman highlighted the following achievements and developments:

- The Parish Council was pleased to welcome **Tom Maxwell** as a new councillor, restoring a full complement of members.
- **Defibrillator training** is scheduled to take place this summer.
- The **Marske Conservation Area Appraisal** was completed by YDNPA. The Parish Council submitted a formal complaint regarding the handling of the process, particularly the failure to share the revised draft as previously promised.

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- A **new waste bin** has been installed to replace the old one that frequently blew over in high winds.
- The Parish Council discussed concerns about **sheep worrying** and explored possible measures to address the issue.
- Representations were made regarding the **size and frequency of events at Telfit**, with a request for advance notice of event dates.
- The Parish Council supported planning applications for **camping pods at Kexwith** and for **works to the north wall of St Edmund's Church**.
- **Hope Moor Wind Farm:**
 - Councillors attended the initial drop-in sessions last autumn and have continued to listen to residents' views.
 - The Parish Council has attended the first two meetings of the **Community Liaison Group** established by Fred Olsen.
 - Information received has been shared with residents.
 - A request has been made for a **presentation in Marske** during the first public consultation period.

The Chairman thanked all councillors for their work over the past year, and expressed particular thanks to **Charlotte, the Clerk**, and to all residents who have attended meetings and contributed to parish matters.

4. Items Raised by the Public

Members of the public were invited to raise any matters of concern or interest- No items were raised.
