

REETH FREMINGTON & HEALAUGH PARISH COUNCIL

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DRAFT MINUTES of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 27th July 2026, 7pm, in the Memorial Hall.

PRESENT: Cllr Bearpark (Chair), Cllr Rutter (Vice Chair), Cllr Longden
Cllr Longstaff, Cllr Frankland, L Bleach (Clerk)

267-037 Apologies and reasons for absence

37.1 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Terry.

37.2 Reasons for absence were approved.

267-038 No new declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's code of conduct or members' Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests were made.

267-039 The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 29th June 2026 were confirmed as a true and correct record: proposed Cllr Rutter; seconded Cllr Longden.

267-040 No members of the public attended.

267-041 **Updates & Reports**

41.1 Policing

41.1.1 There were no attending police officers.

41.1.2 There were no reports to pass on to the police.

41.2 Report from County Councillor Yvonne Peacock

Cllr Peacock reported that she would be part of a committee at NYC looking at empty homes and what implications they might have for neighbours; information on this topic could be sent to her.

41.3 Proposed Wind Farm – Hope Moor

The Planning Inspectorate issued the formal Scoping Opinion for the proposed Hope Moor Wind Farm at the start of July, picking up on a number of the points raised by residents in Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. Fred Olsen would be reviewing data and recommendations made by PINS. A new liaison meeting was due to take place in early autumn.

41.4 Access to Medical Services

It was noted that the current NHS survey was being circulated and all parties were encouraged to respond.

267-042 Assets**42.1 Village Green**

42.1.1 An update on the VG Agreement was noted and also that the main contact person had changed. The Clerk was trying to arrange a meeting for August/September.

42.1.2 Updates to the VG licences were approved and it as noted that a number of responses were still outstanding.

42.1.3 A proposal to hold a vintage car rally on the VG had been received and this approved in theory, depending on the dates.

42.2 Market

42.2.1 An application from a new trader to regularly attend the Friday market was approved. They had received good feedback from locals and visitors and payment was in order.

42.2.2 It was resolved to draw up a policy for potential new market traders so the process was standardised; the Clerk would look into this over the coming months.

42.2.3 Arrangements for businesses wanting to use the VG area to trade temporarily outside of the Friday market were also considered and again the Clerk was asked to look into drawing up an associated policy.

42.3 Playground: It was noted that the annual inspection will take place in September/October. Thanks were given to Cllr Frankland for repairing the gate.

267-043 Financial matters

43.1 It was resolved to make the following payment(s)

Memorial Hall	Hire of hall, INV 026-073	£16.00
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43.2 It was noted that the following payment(s) had already been made:

EDF	DD collection	£64.18
EE	DD collection	£12.60
Lloyds Bank	Bank charges	£11.13
Gallagher	Insurance	£1003.96

43.3 The following receipts were noted:

Honesty Boxes	May 19 – June 30 2026	£2795.00
Market	May 15 – May 29th	£201.40
Market	June 2026	£267.30

43.4 Bank Balance as of 22 July 2026 £15,462.29

43.5 To note the Clerk and associated payroll costs have been paid in accordance with the contract of employment.

- 43.6 A total of £2131 was banked from the honesty boxes, with £42.67 from Healaugh.
- 43.7 To date in July, with one more week remaining, a total from the market had been received of £321.10.

267-044 Highways & Transport

- 44.1 The dates for the August speed survey were noted.
- 44.2 The Clerk noted that the overgrown hedge on Langhorne Drive had been reported again and had now been prioritised for action.
- 44.3 It was noted that grass cutting had temporarily ceased due to the dry weather.
- 44.4 The temporary closure of Footpath No. 52 (20.75/52) was noted.

267-045 Planning

- 45.1 It was noted that no protected tree applications had been received/granted.

267-046 Housekeeping (items for future meetings; items for discussion, not resolution).
It was noted that members of the public had been concerned about increasing levels of noise around the village at night. If it became a nuisance, they were advised to contact NYC who were the appropriate contact.

267-047 The date of next meeting was noted as 28 September 2026, 7pm, Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 19:50.