

# Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

Minutes of meeting – 19 March 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Present: Parish Councillors: C Walker (Chair), A Edwards-Heathcote, R Henderson and M Wall. County Councillor Wilkinson. Parish Clerk/RFO: N Lowe. Public in attendance: Three.

Residents didn't raise any issues before the meeting.

## 1. Apologies

Cllr Lamperd. The Council accepted this apologise.

## 2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 19 March 2026

Were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting proceedings and signed. Acceptance was proposed by Cllr Walker and seconded by Cllr Wall.

## 3. Matters to Report

### **New Assertion 10 In The Annual Governance And Accountability Return For Year Ended 31 March 2026**

The Parish Council has published an Accessibility Statement and Privacy notice on its website.

### **Grass-cutting Services**

The Clerk accepted the quote from CE & CM Walker Limited for grass-cutting services for the upcoming season.

### **Hedge Cutting**

The hedge growing over the 30mph sign on Fleetham Lane has been cut by the landowner.

## 4. Burial Grounds

### **a. Parish Cemetery**

The green bin licence hasn't been received. The Clerk has contacted North Yorkshire Council for a new one.

The grass cutter told the Council that there are a lot of molehills in the long grass section as well as smaller number in the mowed section. The Clerk has contacted North Yorkshire Council pest control.

The joiner will look to do the gate over the next week.

The Parish Council would like to thank the resident who replaced the dead hawthorn at the entrance of the Parish Cemetery.

### **b. St Mary's Churchyard**

The Church is continuing to raise funds for the Church repairs.

### **c. St Andrew's Churchyard**

No further news. It was agreed that a message to the current and future owner be passed via the estate agent of the responsibility to keep the grass under control, especially as the growing season has commenced.

## 5. Correspondence

YLCA Training (0103/26), YLCA Weekly News and Notifications (0203/26), Bus Services (0303/26), Solar Farm Grant for St. Mary's Church restoration (0403/26), Road Closures (0503/26).

These were all circulated via email.

### Low Street

Development Control and the Highways Director were contacted for an update to the traffic lights on Low Street.

Development Control are not expecting any further delays to the programme. However, there are still ongoing deliveries to the solar farm, and these have not yet reduced to a level where they can be confident that removing the traffic management would not create a collision risk for vehicles exiting the site. Until they have confirmation that the volume and frequency of these deliveries has decreased sufficiently, the current arrangements need to remain in place for safety reasons.

Development Control are actively liaising with both the Area Office and the developer to repair the pothole.

## 6. Finance

### a. It was resolved to pay the following, and the payments were signed accordingly:

Chq	Amount	Payee	Service
BACS		N Lowe	Clerk's wages for March
BACS	£5,000	Kirkby Fleetham Local Church Council	Solar Farm Grant for the restoration works on St Mary's church

This was proposed by Cllr Wall and seconded by Cllr Edwards-Heathcote.

### b. Income:

The Burial Authority account received £132.00 this month. The Parish savings account has received £52.06 in interest.

### c. Asset Register

The Clerk updated the register of assets and circulated it at the meeting.

The Councillors agreed the on the register.

## 7. Planning

### a. Applications

The Parish Council has not received any planning applications over the last month.

### b. Outcomes

**ZB25/02249/FUL:** Conversion of Existing Out-Building.

**Location:** Fleetham Mill, Fleetham Lane, Kirkby Fleetham.

**Applicant:** Mr and Mrs M Hilyer.

The application was Granted.

**8. Community Transport and Social Care**

**Community Transport**

A letter to the CEO of Hodgson buses was sent asking if the company would attend the Harbus bus services meeting on 28 May 2026.

**Social Care**

The Egg Box service has been restored and is operating as normal. There are no longer any preserves or jams as they are no longer being produced.

**9. Community Solar Farm Grants**

There were no new grant applications or discussions on old applications.

**10. Any Other Business**

No other Business was raised.

**The meeting closed at 8:12 pm.**

**Date of Next Meeting: 16 April 2026.**