SKELTON-CUM-NEWBY PARISH COUNCIL
c/o Nick Reed, Clerk, 9 Little Market Place, Masham, N. Yorks HG4 4DY

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE:	**Thursday 14th May 2026**
TIME:	**7.00pm**
LOCATION:	**The Reading Room, Skelton-on-Ure**
PRESENT:	**Cllrs Emma Gerrard (Chair** after item AM26.01**), Rea Bell, Alexandra Lake, Alice Madill, Liz Van Hee**
CLERK:	**Nick Reed (minutes)**
IN ATTENDANCE:	**7 members of the public**

AM26.01	**Election of a Chairperson** It was RESOLVED that Cllr Gerrard be elected as Chair of the Parish Council, and she duly signed the Acceptance of Office.
AM26.02	**Election of a Vice-Chair** It was RESOLVED that Cllr Van Hee be elected as Vice-Chair of the Parish Council, and she duly signed the Acceptance of Office.
AM26.03	**Apologies** There were none, all Councillors being present.
AM26.04 **26.041** **26.042** **26.043** **26.044** **26.045**	**Council documents** **Standing orders:** It was RESOLVED that these be re-approved and re-adopted. **Financial regulations:** It was RESOLVED that these be re-approved and re-adopted. **Asset register:** It was RESOLVED that the updated Register as circulated be approved and adopted. **Code of Conduct:** It was RESOLVED that this be re-approved and re-adopted. **Risk Assessment:** It was RESOLVED that this be re-approved and re-adopted.
AM26.05 **26.051** **26.052** **26.053** **26.054**	**Audit matters for the year ended 31st March 2026** **Certification of exemption.** The council considered the level of activity and internal auditor's report and RESOLVED to declare itself exempt from external audit for the financial year 2025-26. **Approval of Annual Governance Statement**. It was RESOLVED to approve the statement as submitted on the Annual Return. **Approval of annual receipts and payments accounts**. These were considered and it was RESOLVED to approve them. **Approval of the Statement of Accounts of the Annual Return**. This was considered and it was RESOLVED to approve it.
AM26.06	**Yorkshire Local Councils Associations** It was RESOLVED to appoint Cllrs Gerrard and Van Hee as voting members to YLCA.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm.

SIGNED: ..... **(Chair)**

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