

Catterick Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 6th July 2026

Present: Cllr Campbell, Cllr Bhatti, Cllr Harris, Cllr Oselton, Cllr Les
Clerk

1. Apologies:

Cllrs Ryan and Connelly

2. Open forum.

No members of the public were present.

3. Reports

3 1 Police report.

PCSO Coburn attended the meeting and read out the report.

Report from 1st June 2026 – 3rd July 2026

4 Crimes Reported -1 Crime/Other – Criminal Damage, 1 Violence – Cyber enabled, 1 Sexual Offence – Cyber enabled, 1 Domestic

Crimes report for the same period last year = 1

0 Anti-Social Behaviour Reports

Anti-Social Report for the same period last year = 0

8 Person/Safety /Warning reports - 2 Suspicious Circumstances, 1 Hoax Call, 5 Concern

All other warnings reported in the same period last year = 9

3 Reports of other incidents. 2 Road related incident, 1 RTC

Other incidents recorded (RTC's, RTC damage) the same period last year = 1

Project Servator is still running in Richmondshire.

We will be here, unannounced. We can be at any place, anytime and anywhere.

North Yorkshire Community Messaging

This is a free system that allows people to receive the latest crime notifications and community news in their neighbourhoods. People can register on www.nycm.co.uk

Contact North Yorkshire Police

Please visit our website www.northyorkshire.police.uk for advice regarding Crime Prevention and safety advice.

Emergency - 999

National 24hr non-emergency number 101

- 101 calls cost 15 pence per call from mobile or landline, regardless of length of call

Call 'Crimestoppers' anonymously on 0800 555 111

Contact Details: PCSO 5725 Jamie-Leigh.coburn@northyorkshire.police.uk

The clerk mentioned the amount of litter that is being left by youngsters using the bike jumps in the woods by the Swale. A big bag left there to collect the litter has also just been emptied out by the river. She asked if anything could be done. PCSO

Coburn said that she would mention it to other colleagues and ask for this area to be patrolled whenever possible.

The Councillors also asked her what type of CCTV could be used in the cemetery as a lot of fly tipping goes on up there. She said she would get some information for us.

3.2 North Council Yorkshire

Cllr Les said that the Motorway Service Area Planning Application is most likely to go before the planning committee in August.

There have been problems with the no. 34 bus. The traffic lights at Scotch Corner have been damaged due to an accident and temporary ones are in place. These are not 'Smart' ones and so there has been problems with traffic, making this bus service unreliable. He is to mention this at the next meeting with Hodgsons, in the near future,

The Mayor of York has announced a major new fund to improve access to banking across North Yorkshire. He suggested that the Parish Council apply for help and pass on the information to the Council.

3.3 Marne Barracks

Maj. Dent attended the meeting. He said all those posted elsewhere over the last months are now back on the camp. Summer break for the soldiers will be coming up over the next few weeks.

Building work is progressing on time. He asked if there had been any problems with construction traffic using the entrance. The Councillors were not aware of any.

Major Dent is leaving his role as the Quarter Master at Marne Barracks and will not be attending the meetings in future. He will be handing over to his replacement and give him all the Parish Council details.

4. Minutes

The minutes at the meeting held on 1st June 2026 were approved

Proposed: Cllr Harris Seconded: Cllr. Bhatti

5. Matters arising.

The new grass contractor has started -there were a few complaints about the amount of grass left in the cemetery after the first cutting but this was mainly due to the length of the grass as it had got long over the change over period. After the second cut, it all looked a lot tidier.

The Clerk has been in touch with Street Scene about the dog waste that was seen to be thrown into the beck and signage that could be put up. She has passed on the details to the Regulatory Support Services who will get in touch.

6 Current Issues.

6.1 Parish Council WhatsApp Account

The WhatsApp Group for the Councillors seems to be working alright.

Discussion on setting up a one-way WhatsApp group for the public will be discussed when Cllr Connelly is present.

A resident has emailed the Clerk about setting up a Facebook page for the Parish Council. The Councillors do not see a need for this as any important information is put on the Community Facebook pages and if a WhatsApp group is set up this will have the information on.

6.2 Trees High Green/Low Green and Cemetery

Cllr Campbell mentioned that some of the trees on High Green are overhanging the road and need the canopy lifting. The willow tree on Beckside that lost one of its branches over winter also needs sorting out as do the trees in the cemetery.

The Clerk and Cllr Campbell will meet up and check which trees need work carrying out.

6.3 Beck Clearance.

The Beck is getting very over grown but clearance cannot be carried out until later in the year when all nesting birds have gone. The Clerk will organise this with the new ground maintenance contractor.

7. Parish Finances.

7.1 The periodic accounts

June's Accounts were circulated prior to the meeting -These were approved and accepted by the members.

Proposed: Cllr Campbell Seconded: Cllr Bhatti

8. Correspondence

The Clerk has received an email request on behalf of the Catterick Village Sports Association for a donation towards the Catterick in Bloom that they organise.

The Council agreed that the boxes make the village look very attractive.

The Parish Council usually give £500 but this year the Parish Council have asked them to put extra boxes along the edge of the small area of the Green near the Bay Horse (Opposite the section that the Council put kerbstones in) to prevent vehicles parking on this section. It was agreed that the donation should be increased to £650.

Proposed Cllr Harris Seconded Cllr Bhatti

9. Planning.

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MSA services at J52 Pallett Hill Catterick.

This has been sent out as a re-consultation with some new environmental information and the response from Roadchef. Cllr Connolly will look at this and a response will be sent to the planning department.

10. Minor Matters.

a) Cllr Harris asked if the Parish Council could consider buying a P.A system. The Council needs one for the Christmas Lights switch on. This could then be used by other groups, such as the Church for the Summer Fair. The Councillors asked Cllr Harris to do some research into costs.

b) The Clerk has been in touch with Highways about the parking restrictions that were consulted on for Low Green/High St junction and Pallett Hill/High St junction in August 2024 as nothing has been heard since. They have responded saying that they had a number of objection so the proposals and so it had not been taken any further.

c) The Clerk has sent a card to Mr Bob Rafferty's family, expressing their sympathy on his death. He had been a valued Parish Councillor for a number of years and had been very active throughout the village for other groups and organisations. He will be sadly missed.

d) The clerk gave the Councillors notice that she will be retiring in a years' time.

The meeting closed at 20.20

Date of next meeting – Monday 7th September 2026

Signed.....

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