

Catterick Parish Council

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Draft Summary Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 13th April 2026

The Chairman Cllr Campbell opened the meeting by announcing that due to the re-application by Roadchef for the Motorway Service Area at J52 being received late this was not put on the agenda for discussion and asked if the Councillors agreed to it being discussed. This was agreed

1. Open Forum

30 +members of the public attended the meeting.

1 resident attended on behalf of Michael Syddall School. She also brought along a letter from herself and Mr Saunders the deputy head teacher.

The school are wanting to raise money for a minibus that could be driven on a normal licence for use by the school for sporting activities, extra trips and experiences for the children as costs of hiring coaches has risen to such a high level. The school has become aware that many pupil's families are no longer able to afford travel costs incurred in belonging to sporting teams etc, or even to take trips out as families so the bus would also be available for hire by residents and groups of the village.

The Parish Council agreed to discuss this later in the meeting.

The rest of the public attended to discuss the re-application by Roadchef for the Motorway Service Area at J52 after the planning that had been granted by North Yorkshire Council was quashed on the appeal by MOTTO due to a lack of a sequential flooding test. This looks into whether there were more suitable sites that had no issues with flooding.

There were again strong feelings against this application.

Some residents had received a notification from the North Yorkshire Planning Department and others hadn't and some were not sure if their previous objections would be looked at again or if they needed to resend their objections.

It was again emphasised by the Parish Council and Cllr Les that only material objections would be considered.

It was suggested by the public that the Parish Council organise a public meeting to allow more discussion about it and to advertise this meeting more widely by a leaflet drop. The Parish Council agreed to this and asked for contact details of the public present so they could help with the leaflet drop.

It was also suggested that Roadchef were invited to the meeting.

The clerk will organise the printing of the leaflets, book the Booth Hall for the meeting and contact the residents present to help with distributing the leaflets.

2. Police Report

PCSO Coburn could not attend the meeting but sent a report

Report from 2nd March 2026 – 13th April 2026

5 Crimes Reported 3 Crime/Theft – Theft 1 Crime/violence – Assault No further Action 1 Crime/Other – Other Offence

Crimes report for the same period last year = 6

3 Anti-Social Behaviour Reports 1 Anti-Social Behaviour Nuisance – Large group of adults causing a nuisance 2 Anti-Social Behaviour Personal – Youth Related Anti-Social Report for the same period last year = 2

12 Person/Safety /Warning reports 1 Abandoned Calls – Accidental Call 4 Suspicious Report – Youths at location, Scam call, Drone over the army barracks, Doorseller 4 Call made with good intent. 2 Civil matter 1 Concern for safety All other warnings reported in the same period last year = 5

3 Reports of other incidents. 2 Road Related – Reporting driving

1 Report of Road traffic offense

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

Community Messaging

North Yorkshire Community Messaging allows members of the public to register to receive alerts, crime notifications and community news from organisations. It is a way of maintaining contact with Neighbourhood Watch and Rural Watch groups.

Neighbourhood & Rural Watch have their own database within community messaging for their members.

You can sign up to receive alerts as a member of the public here:

<https://www.northyorkshirecommunitymessaging.co.uk/>

Project Servator is still up and running in Richmondshire.

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

If you see a suspicious vehicle in the area, please call police at the time so we are able to have a greater chance of speaking to the occupants and establishing whether they are legitimate. If possible, try to obtain the vehicle registration, any wording on the vehicle, descriptions of occupants and direction of travel.

Residents are encouraged to report all incidents at the time they are happening to enable effective action can be taken by police. We can only act on information we are aware of

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

PCSO Jamie-Leigh Coburn Collar Number 5725

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 Detail

3.North Yorkshire Council.

Carl reported that after a meeting to discuss the congestion on the A6136 a survey of the vehicles using the road and the reason for the journey, is to be carried out.

5. Matters arising

The two beams that have started to rot on one of the pieces of play equipment in Arena View playpark is to be replaced this Wednesday, 15th April.

The routine inspection course for playparks that Cllr Connelly said he would attend has been booked.

The Clerk has been in touch with the Environmental Protection Officer about the rat problem at no. 24 High St. They have been to visit the next-door property and the social club. There was rubbish around but not an excessive amount and no evidence of rats. He has been in touch with the owner of number 22 who has said the rubbish is not on her land. The Officer has tried to contact the resident of 24 High St but after a number of attempts has not had any response. He has said that the level and condition of the waste do not meet the threshold for Environmental Health

enforcement and with no evidence of pest activity and without the complainant responding to his letters the case will be closed

6. New grass cutting contractor

The Clerk has been around the village with Colin Browne to check the areas that he cuts and the hedges he maintains.

She has written out a detailed schedule with photographs, a summary and Conditions of Contract. These were previously circulated to the Councillors She has got details from other, local Parish Councils about contractors they use and will contact these to see if they are interested and if so, send the details out. She will also send them to Ashley Emmel who attended last month's meeting. Colin has said that the two men who work for him are wanting to take on his business. The Clerk has told him that they will need to put a tender in along with the others. She will send them the same details

7. Playpark inspections.

Because of the problems with the guarantee on the play equipment in Arena View the Clerk has been looking into courses for the weekly routine inspections.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) hold one day courses for these types of inspections. They are quite expensive, but the Council thought it would be worth it as these weekly inspections are needed and some basic training would help with this.

Cllr Campbell asked Cllr Connelly if he would be interested in taking the course in York. He was willing to do this.

The Clerk will book a place.

The Play Park Inspection Co. have asked the Clerk if the Parish Council would like to place a reorder for the annual inspection later this year. The Councillors agreed to this

8. Correspondence

The Clerk has received an email from a resident living in one of the houses at the South end of the cemetery. The trees running behind their boundary fence have been pollarded in the past but have once again grown tall. He says that the light is being reduced in their house and that the biggest problem is the debris from them that falls into their garden.

These trees are a regular problem. The Council agreed that the Clerk should contact Sean, the tree surgeon to get a price for having them cut again.

9. Minor Matters

In October the Parish Council agreed to the proposed waiting restrictions at the Chappell Rigg/Leeming Lane junction. The Clerk has now received the official notice about these restrictions. She forwarded them onto the Councillors before the meeting. They again agreed that the restrictions are necessary for safety reasons as it is difficult entering and exiting Chappell Riggs with the number of cars that park there. The Clerk will pass on the comments to Area 1

Date of next meeting Monday April 13th 2026 (A week later due to Easter)