

Catterick Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 1st June 2026

Present: Cllr Campbell, Cllr Bhatti, Cllr Ryan, Cllr Connelly, Cllr Harris

Clerk

1. Apologies:

Cllr Les and Maj. Dent

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 11th May 2026 – 1st June 2026

3 Crimes Reported -2 Crime/Harassment,1 Crime/Other – Criminal Damage

Crimes report for the same period last year = 4

2 Anti-Social Behaviour Reports-2 ASB Nuisance – 1 Youths gathering in the sports field. 1 Neighbour dispute.

Anti-Social Report for the same period last year = 4

6 Person/Safety /Warning reports-2 Suspicious Object – No further concern

2 Suspicious Circumstances,1 Abandoned Call,1 Concern

All other warnings reported in the same period last year = 18

1 Reports of other incidents. -1 Road related incident

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

3,2 Marne Barracks

Maj. Couldn't attend the meeting but sent the following report – 'there will be an increase in traffic in the barracks due to the uptake of building works. As you know it is the only viable entrance to the barracks, the temporary entrance off the trunk road was dismissed and the old crash gates aren't practical, we will monitor throughout.'

4. Minutes

The minutes at the AGM meeting held on 11th May 2026 were approved

Proposed: Cllr Harris Seconded: Cllr. Bhatti

5. Matters arising.

The Clerk has contacted Gareth Hastie from GCH Garden Maintenance and he has agreed to take on the grass cutting/ground maintenance contract. The Clerk is to meet him this week to get the contract signed.

6 Current Issues.

6.1 HarBus meeting

Cllr Connelly attended the Harbus (Hambleton and Richmondshire Bus Users) meeting and raised 5 points that would improve the service to Catterick Village.

- a) Daily link to Colburn/Garrison/Princes Gate/Tesco/ Catterick Integrated Care Centre by either a diversion, extension, shuttle or a feeder in to the X26/X27.
- b) Proper healthcare access to Northallerton and the Friarage. Not just a Wednesday market day bus.
- c) A minimum Sunday service as there are no services at the moment.
- d) Timetable designed around opening hours and appointment times for eg pharmacy, library, council and hospital opening times.
- e) Catterick Village should be named in the plans such as the Bus Service Improvement Plan, and the Catterick and Colburn Town Investment Plan.

The group will keep the Parish Council updated via the Clerk.

6.2 Parish Council WhatsApp Account

As suggested last month, Cllr Connelly explained that a closed WhatsApp group could be set up for Councillors and the clerk. This would supplement the emails and not replace the formal emails or website for things such as agendas, minutes and accounts. It would be a quicker and easier way to organise events and circulate documents and have initial discussions between meetings. The group could not be used for formal council decisions.

Cllr Connelly suggested that once this had been tested then an expansion of WhatsApp for the wider community could be considered. This could be used for meeting reminders, Highways issues and village information. This would only be a one-way channel, the residents not able to reply.

He said we would be covered for GDPR as no information is being stored.

The Councillors discussed the suggestions and agreed to start with the closed WhatsApp group and see how it works.

Proposed Cllr Connelly Seconded Cllr Ryan.

All the Councillors agreed.

Cllr Connelly will set it up.

7. Parish Finances.

7.1 The periodic accounts

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

Proposed: Cllr Ryan Seconded: Cllr Connelly

7.2 Annual Return

7.3 Annual Governance Statement

This had been previously circulated by the Clerk and checked by the Parish Councillors and was past as correct. It was signed by the Chairman and the Clerk

Proposed Cllr Connelly Seconded Cllr Ryan

7.4 Accounting Statement

This had been previously circulated by the Clerk and checked by the Parish Councillors and was past as correct. It was signed by the Chairman and the Clerk

Proposed Cllr Oselton Seconded Cllr Claypole

The Clerk will now send off the Annual Return to the External Auditor, PKF Littlejohn LLP and publish the Notice of Public Rights and Publication of the unaudited Annual Return on the Parish Council website and the Parish Council Notice Board.

8. Correspondence

a) The Clerk has been contacted about the state of the cobbles in front of the Pizza shop and social club and asked if the Parish Council can have it strimmed off. The Councillors have done this in the past but at the moment with the changeover of grass contractors it is a little more difficult to organise. It was agreed that the clerk should contact a member of the Social Club committee and Aristons to ask them to tidy it up.

b) The Clerk has had a request to put up signs to advertise the Yard Sale that is to take place on 6th June. The Church advertise the fete so it was felt that this could not be refused. The Council can only give permission for the land within the Catterick Village signs. The clerk will contact the organisers and tell them this.

c) The landlord of the Bay Horse has contacted the Clerk for permission to hold a Community Fun Day on the village green on one of the days of the August Bank Holiday weekend. Money raised is to go to St Anne's Church. Activities such as a petting zoo, bouncy castle, display and armoured combat display, live music, stalls selling produce and other suitable merchandise would be included.

The Councillors agreed that community events such as this are always well attended but certain criteria will need to be fulfilled before agreeing, such as seeing the insurance from the stall holders/events, timings, no vehicles on the green, plastic drinks glasses.

Cllr Connelly will draw up a definitive list and the Clerk will send it out to the landlord and also ask her to attend the meeting in July to confirm everything.

d) The Chair of a local orienteering group has been in touch saying they are looking for new places to hold their events. She was interested in the land around the lake at Chapmans Court and through the woods and along the land at the back of Bishop's Way. She wants to know who owns the land so that they could contact them. All this land was Mr Geoff Simpsons but since his death the Councillors are not sure who now owns it or whether the estate has been sorted out. The Clerk will reply to the group telling them this.

e) Harbus have sent an email requesting a donation to help them to continue collating and printing timetables by geographic areas, rather than operators. The Councillors agreed that this was a good thing but decided to hold off with a donation until more bus services actually serve the village.

The Clerk will contact them.

f) The deputy head teacher from Michael Syddall School has sent a thankyou card to the Parish Council for agreeing to donate the £1000 to the minibus appeal. (As agreed last month)

9. Planning.

19/000473/FULL

MSA services at J52 Pallett Hill Catterick.

Since the last meeting the Parish Council has sent two letters to Rishi Sunak about the MSA planning application. Mr Sunak responded to the first letter saying that he doesn't get involved in local planning.

The second letter concentrated more on the National Policy of Motorway services and where they were situated. Following on from this, Mr Sunak had a telephone conversation with Cllr Connelly at which he agreed to contact the Planning Department to say that the National Policy of National Highways should not dictate local planning and influence the decisions of where services should be placed. Cllr Connelly also suggested that the Parish Council writes to the consultees such as Yorkshire Wildlife, Natural England, Yorkshire Water etc to and the planning committee to confirm the Parish Council's views,

11. Minor Matters.

a) a resident has asked Cllr Harris who cuts the grass on Tunstall Road. It used to be cut when the road was open but not now. It is not Parish Council land. The Clerk will contact Highways and find out.

b) Cllr Harris has also been contacted about people throwing dog waste into the Beck. The councillors agreed this was very bad, with the potential of causing pollution in an area where children frequently paddle. The Clerk will contact Street Scene to see if they have any notices we can put up or advise us on wording if we have to organise them.

The meeting closed at 20.30

Date of next meeting – Monday 5th July 2026

Signed.....

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