**RASKELF PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN RASKELF VILLAGE HALL   
ON MONDAY 30th June 2025 at 7.00PM**

**PRESENT**: Councillors: Guy Brown (Chairman), Charlotte Cope (Vice Chairman) Nicholas Dixon, Peter Sigsworth and Bruce Wilkie. 9 members of the public.

Clerk: Sandra Windross

Public Forum

Agenda item was brought forward at the meeting and discussed in the public forum. Various MOP’s gave their reasons namely, the Solar farm will be 200 yards from a dwelling, the proposed solar farm will be the fourth one very close to the village which it was felt will have a detrimental effect on the area. The landscape will be visible from the NY Moors National Park, the benefit of the proposed solar farm does not benefit any one in Raskelf. The Parish Council felt there are some legitimate reasons to reject this application following the discussions and the feelings of the various members of the public at the meeting.

**3. Apologies**

No Apologies were received

**4. Declarations of Interest**

02.01 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council’s Code of Conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary interest and the receive and consider any applications for dispensation. **None**

**5. Minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2025**

The above minutes of the meeting were approved by Council and signed as a true record by Cllr Brown Chairman.

**6. To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary**

There were no outstanding issues discussed.

**7. NYCC matters**

Cllr Baker advised on the following matters:

NYC are looking for old bicycles that are not wanted if we know of any NYC will collect them.

Public views are requested about Richmond swimming pool in a state of disrepair want to know what the public want to do with it.

Cllr Bakers next surgery on 24th July at Thirsk Auction Mart.

**8. LAMP POST/STREET LIGHT WHICH UPGRADE TO LED LAMPS**

Clerk had received an email from NYC advising they are issuing a purchase order to take over control of the new lights.

**9. Planning Matters**

**9.1 The following planning applications were received.**

No planning applications were received.

**ZB25/00821/FUL** | Construction and operation of up to a 30MW Solar PV farm, comprising ground-mounted Solar PV Arrays, 132kV DNO substation, customer substation, spares container, new access tracks, underground cabling, perimeter fencing with CCTV cameras and access gates, landscaping, temporary construction compound and all ancillary grid infrastructure and associated works. | Boscar Layby Land North East Of Raskelf North Yorkshire – **Council wished to see refused.**

**Application no. ZB25/01071/DPN**

PROPOSAL: Application to determine if prior approval is required for the proposed demolition of a single bay of a modern farm building and parts demolition of dilapidated building range adjacent

LOCATION: Sam House Farm Sam Lane Raskelf York – **Council had no comments on this application.**

**9.2 The following decisions were received**

ZB25/00041/MRC PROPOSAL application for variation of conditions 8 & 9 (foul water/drainage) for previous application ZB/23/02557/MRC in accordance with new drawing no. 23037-DR-C-0100 revision P10 received 10th January 2025

LOCATION: Nova The Green Raskelf York - **Granted**

ZB25/00006/MBN PROPOSAL application to determine if prior approval is required for the proposed conversion of an agricultural barn to a larger dwellinghouse and associated building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion

LOCATION: Spring House Farm Raskelf North Yorkshire **Refused**

ZB24/02361/FUL PROPOSAL Construction of a detached bungalow and garage together with garage for Holly Tree Cottage LOCATION: Holly Tree Cottage North End Raskelf York **granted**

**10. Childrens play area/Village Hall**

Cllr Sigsworth advised that Sovereign Play can inspect the play area for £478.80 and will carry out any minor repairs as part of the cost. It was agreed to instruct Sovereign to carry out a play inspection. We still are required to have the ROSPA inspection too.

11.. **Financial Matters**

11.1Council approved the following payments

Clerks Salary and expenses £831.53

YLCA Subscriptions £244.00

J. Kerslake t/a Independent Rural Media £166.98

WeDo Finance Play Inspection £478.80

Royal British Legion payment for the wreath for VE day £30.00

The Community Heartbeat Trust Defibrillator battery £171,54

Fitzgerald-Harts solicitors obtaining office copy entries £25.00

HMRC PAYE £1,169.24 as per schedule

Arthur J. Gallagher Insurance £740.01

11.2 To consider any Grant applications received by the Clerk

No grant applications were received.

**12. Correspondence to Note/Discuss and Action**

Various e-mails from YLCA advising of Branch Meetings and White Rose Updates

**13. Minor matters and Agenda Items for the next meeting**

The Defib not working which has been reported.

Quote for fencing the Village Hall.

**14.** The meeting closed at 19.39 the next meeting was scheduled for 1 September 2025 at 7pm in the village hall.