

ASKRIGG & LOW ABBOTSDIE PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND PARISH ASSEMBLY

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Wednesday 13th May 2026 at 7.30 pm. In the Village Hall, Askrigg

Parish Assembly Meeting

The Vice Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting

1. Apologies for absence – Cllr A Kirkbride, D. Teasdale
2. The minutes from the previous Annual Parish Meeting and Parish Assembly held on the 14th May 2025 were agreed as a true record.

3. **Chairman's review**

There was no Chairmans review as Cllr. Kirkbride was unable to attend.

4. **Certificate of Exemption**

Askrigg and Low Abbotside Parish Council is exempt from external audit for the year 2025/26 as its annual turn-over does not exceed £25,000. The Certificate of Exemption was duly signed and will be sent to PKF Littlejohn LLP.

5. **Annual Governance Statement 2025/26**

The Parish Council approved Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2025/26 for Askrigg and Low Abbotside Parish Council

6. **Accounting Statements 2025/26**

Askrigg and Low Abbotside Parish Council approved Section 2 Accounting Statements 2025/26 and the documents were duly signed.

In accordance with the Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015 and Transparency Code for small authorities, Askrigg & Low Abbotside will publish all documents on their website.

The internal audit this year was carried out by Mr Brian Weaving and the contents were noted. The Councillors thanked Mr Weaving for all his help.

7. **Reports**

Low Abbotside Nothing to report

Almhouses – Nothing to report

Cemetery – The Cemetery committee will meet in the next couple of weeks to have a 'tidy up'

Low Mill - Bookings have improved and they aim to be in profit this year.

Village Hall – A new Chairman (Alison Champion), Secretary (Gemma Anderson) and Treasurer (Cheryl Burton) have been appointed.

8. Election of Chairman & Vice Chairman

Cllr A Kirkbride and Cllr J Hodgson were voted in to remain Chairman and Vice Chairman for another year.

9. Election of Committee Members

Cemetery – Cllrs G Kirkbride, D Teesdale, D Scarr & S Fawcett

Low Mill - Mr Asa Gurden

Village Hall – Cllrs J Hodgson and D Teesdale

Almhouses – Cllr D Teasdale

10. Six members of the public were present but had nothing to report.