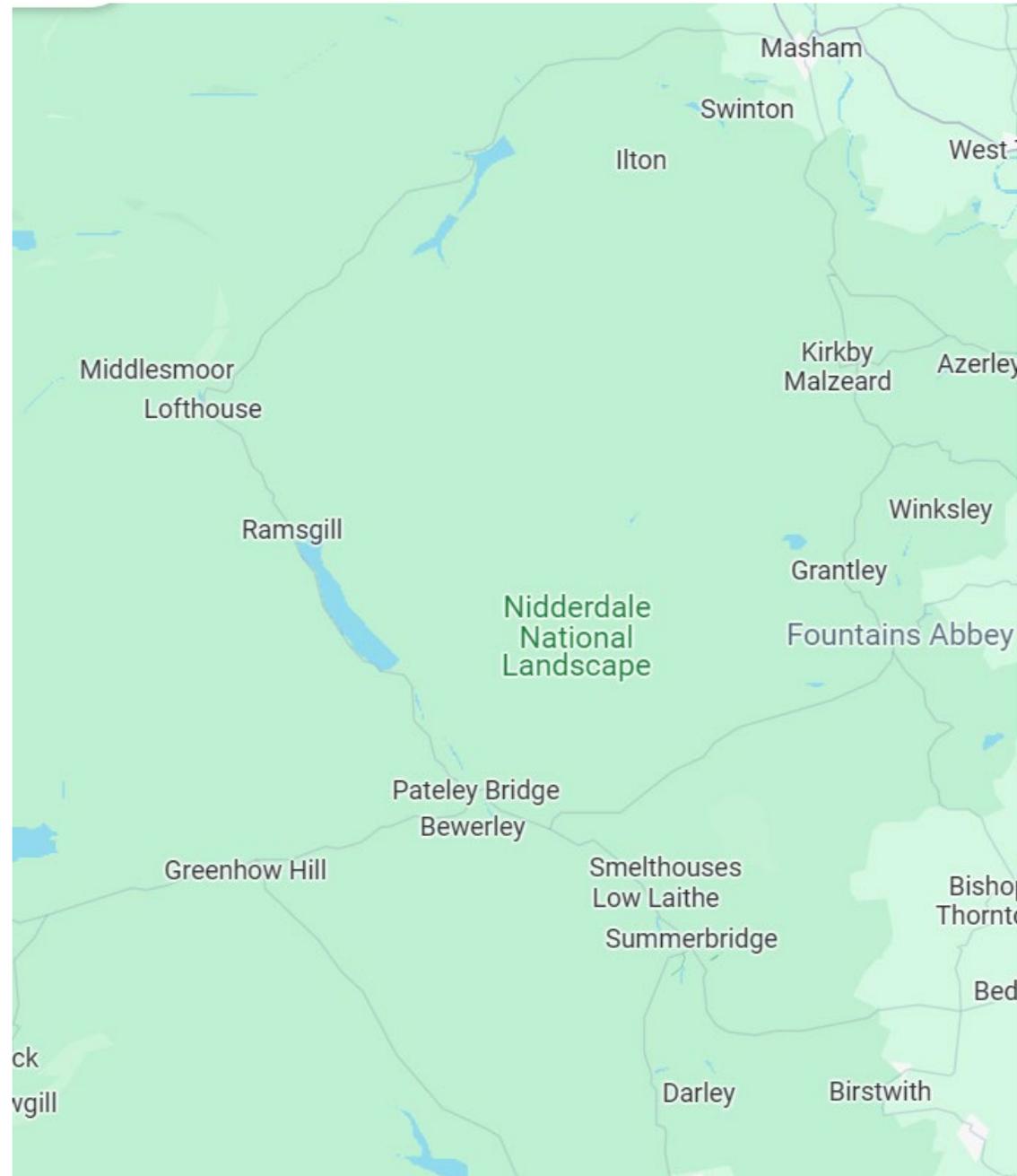


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Timeline to closure

- Prior to 2021: Great satisfaction of the quality of the teaching
- Summer 2021: New executive head teacher appointed
- 2021-2022: Breakdown in communication, school activities ceased, hot school lunch ceased
- June 2022: Interim Ofsted inspection
- June 2022: Governors ask NYC to consider starting the process to close the school
- July 2022: Newly appointed federation deputy head based at Fountains Earth
- July 2022: Public meeting followed by withdrawal of application for closure without explanation

Timeline to closure

- July 2022-March 2023: Progressive deterioration of trust and communication between school and parents. Repeated request to meet were declined
- March 2023: Application to a vacancy on the federation's board of governors submitted, but after submission a deadline was set that excluded the application
- April 2023: Base teacher abruptly moved to another school in the federation, so back to supply teachers leaving year 6 pupils with no Sats booster sessions
- September 2023: All pupils removed by their parents so none left and consideration of school closure again requested by board of governors

Council executive decision 19/03/24

- No children currently on roll
- No highest preference applications to join the school in September 2024
- Executive resolved unanimously that NYC should cease to maintain the school

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