

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF WOLD NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE ON THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**

PRESENT: Councillor Walker (The Chairman), Councillor Dr Meeson, Councillor West, Councillor Robinson, Councillor Bridges, Councillor Lockett and Councillor Botterill.  
Parishioners Goodman, Watson, Skelton, Ellis

ITEM 1 – Apologies and Declarations of Interest. No apologies or declarations of interest.

Minutes of the AGM held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were signed by the Chairman.

ITEM 2 –

Reports:- Chairman’s Report. The Chairman had prepared a written report for presentation at the meeting and which she read through.

Warden of the Green Report. Councillor Robinson gave a verbal report on the condition of the Green.

Treasurers Report. Councillor Dr Meeson presented a statement of accounts for review by the Councillors.

ITEM 3 – Election of officers.

Chairman – Councillor Walker declared that she was happy to be considered for re-election. Decision:- It was unanimously decided that Councillor Walker would be re-elected as the Chairman

Proposed by Councillor Robinson and seconded by Councillor Bridges – all were in favour

Vice-Chairman – Councillor Dr Meeson wishes to retire from the position of Vice – Chairman. Councillor Robinson was happy to take up position of Vice – Chairman. Decision:- It was unanimously decided that Councillor Robinson would be elected as the Vice -Chairman.

Proposed by Councillor Lockett and seconded by Councillor Bridges – all were in favour.

Treasurer – Councillor Dr Meeson wishes to retire from the position of Treasurer. The Committee discussed The Clerk taking on the role of Treasurer/Responsible Financial Officer in the interim period until a new Treasurer could be found. Decision:- It was unanimously decided that The Clerk would be elected as the Treasurer in a Caretaker role until a suitable replacement be found.

Proposed by Councillor Robinson and seconded by Councillor Bridges – all were in favour.

Warden of the Green – Councillor Robinson was nominated for this appointment. Decision:- It was unanimously decided that Councillor Robinson would be re-elected as the Warden of the Green.

Proposed by The Chairman, Councillor Walker and seconded by Councillor Lockett – all were in favour.

Internal Auditor – This was discussed but at the time of the meeting nobody had agreed to the role. This was to be discussed nearer the time of the next AGM.

ITEM 4 – Any other business.

Co-Option of new Councillors – Tom Skelton, Shelly Watson and Michael Ellis. All wished to be co-opted on to the Committee. Appropriate documents will be completed. Committee all in favour.

ITEM 5 – Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council AGM be convened at a date to be agreed for May 2024. The Parish Council Annual General Meeting closed at 7:45pm.

Chairman..... Zoe Warters, Parish Clerk, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Date.....

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WOLD NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE ON THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023

PRESENT: Councillor Walker (The Chairman), Councillor Robinson, Councillor Bridges, Councillor Lockett  
Parishioners Goodman, Watson, Ellis, Skelton, Dr Meeson, West and Botterill.

ITEM 1 – Apologies and Declarations of Interest.

Non received.

ITEM 2 – Minutes and matters arising from the meeting held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

None received. Minutes signed and dated as a true and correct record of events.

ITEM 3 – Correspondence Communications received since our previous meeting.

- East Wolds Newsletter – Circulated and website.
- Driffield Share Station – Circulated, website and Facebook
- Our News, May Edition – Circulated and website
- Street Lighting Agreement – Circulated
- E-mail Karen Walker regarding Road Markings – An e-mail was sent to the ERYC to follow this up, awaiting response at time of meeting
- End of Grant Report – ERYC – Discussed with Diana Deighton who will provide information.

ITEM 4 –Public Forum – Residents Views and Comments

Parishioner Goodman thanked the Committee for asking for ideas and thoughts regarding the Grants that were available. He would however like it noted that many suggestions were for play equipment to be erected at the Pit Field and he would not be in favour of this. He suggested perhaps selling the area of Land at Pit Field and trying to purchase a more 'suitable' site within the village, perhaps with the hope of building a new community centre. He also suggested speaking to the Thwing Committee regarding their play area and discussing costs/insurance.

Concern was also voiced for the pump for the water and electric and the consequences if this ceased to work.

He had spoken with a gentleman from a BT Reach van who confirmed that Fast Fibre Broadband should be available within the village by Christmas.

Parishioner Botterill queried the planting around the pond voicing concern of another Parishioner that the planting may effect the clay lining of the pond – Councillor Robinson confirmed every care was been taken to avoid this but he would make enquires with those involved and report back.

ITEM 5 – Elections Update

The election is now complete. The Clerk distributed Expenses forms which the Candidates needed to complete whether or not they were claiming expenses. She would then forward these to the ERYC.

ITEM 6 – Geese

As meeting in April, the eggs are being humanely removed. Geese numbers remain low.

A suggestion has been received to create a Wild Flower Area on the Green, the committee agreed that this was worth pursuing and would be discussed further when further information could be sought.

ITEM 7 – Grants

Councillor Bridges had undertaken a Facebook survey to gauge what ideas people had. Ideas mainly put forward were playing equipment for children and speed deterrents.

Councillor Bridges had done some initial investigation into getting the play equipment however this looks like it would be extremely costly, not only getting the equipment but the upkeep and insurance.

Speeding is always an issue within the village, however this grants criteria would not really fund this.

The forum for ideas was to be left open until the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023 to try and gauge further interest and ideas. A Parishioner had informed Councillor Bridges that a 'Mindful Group' was trying to be set up at the Church and other groups/activities are also run in at the Village Pub and Community Centre so we need to be mindful of these events when organising new events and activities.

On another note with regard to the speeding the Committee asked if the Clerk could approach the ERYC for ideas for deterrents at each end of the village.

**Action – Clerk to write to ERYC, Councillor Bridges happy to help if needed.**

It was suggested to perhaps speak with Emma Hayton who has coordinated activities within Burton Fleming. Previous enquiries into a Youth Club had not been favoured. However it was suggested to advertise more as a activities club with things like snooker and pool, table tennis and badminton . Parishioner Goodman suggested using some of the grant to fund a router for the Community Centre which would benefit any computing club etc.

#### ITEM 8 – Kings Coronation

Events as planned went underway and were enjoyed by all. Unfortunately the turn out was not as good as for the Jubilee but this seemed to be across the board as a lot of Coronation events had not been as well attended as the Jubilee. Receipts are now in for all purchases and the end of grant report needs completing which the Clerk will attend to.

#### ITEM 9 – Treasurers Role

Parishioner Watson is interested in becoming Treasurer once elected as a Councillor.

#### ITEM 10 – Accounts To Pay

None to note.

#### ITEM 11 – Any other Business

Street Lighting Agreement – this had been distributed to Councillors prior to the meeting, no objections or comments were received so this will be signed and returned to the ERYC.

Sheep update – Update received from ERYC and discussed with committee, all happy with proceedings at present.

Date of the next meeting The next meeting will be Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. This meeting will include the AGM.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Chairman..... Zoe Warters, Parish Clerk, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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