

Minutes of Annual General Meeting Held Thursday 5th May 2022. **7.30pm. Woodland Village Hall**

Present.

Cllr Mr C Harding. Cllr Mr R Teasdale. Cllr Mr A Rutter. Cllr Mr N L Peckett.
Cllr Mr S Land. Cllr Mrs B Land Cllr Mr P Brydon

Apologies.

None

Election of Officers.

The following were proposed and agreed:

1. Chairman – Cllr Harding
2. Vice Chair – Cllr Land
3. Responsible Finance Officer – Mrs D Peckett

Declaration of Interest.

None.

Confirmation of Minutes.

Minutes of the meeting held 10/02/2022 were read and agreed.

Matters Arising.

1. In the absence of a clerk the chairman Mr C Harding agreed to act as temporary clerk (unpaid). Agreed by members.
2. Boundary change and survey: See separate minute below.

Finance.

The council was presented with the Annual Governance Statement and Accounts 01/04/2021– 31/03/2022 and agreed all was in order and accepted the statements as follows:

1. Review & Approval of Accounting Statement
2. Review & Approval of Annual Governance Statement
3. Review & Approval of AGAR Exemption Certificate
4. Review & Approval of Asset Register
5. Review & Approval of Internal Audit Report
6. Review & Approval of Woodland P.C. Risk Assessment
7. Precept from DCC granted as previously applied for has been received. As agreed at the previous meeting the precept for 2022-23 of £2314, including grant.
8. Current account assets at last bank statement #272 of 11/04/2022 is £9,915 (plus £1,605 VAT reclaim, not yet received).

Cemetery.

1. The cemetery chapel is currently being used as a donation point for aid for Ukraine.
2. A flagpole has been installed at the front of the chapel.
3. There was some concern about broken/fallen headstones around old graves. This is currently under review by Durham CC who have responsibility. Clerk to contact with a view to moving these to the East side of the cemetery wall.

Playground.

1. Site and equipment generally in good order. Broken wall has been repaired by cllr Harding. Surface edging in need of repair, cllr Harding will attend. Reports of noise from Mobilus. Appears ok with no immediate danger, to be monitored for future deterioration.
2. The annual inspection and risk assessment has been ordered from ROSPA.

Planning (New)

1. DM/22/00601/FPA – Gardener. Renewal of existing planning applications for 2 dwellings. Status - Pending

Planning (Ongoing)

Boundary Change

Following the relaxation of the Coronavirus restriction of movement regulations it was agreed we should now press on and collect signatures for a community review. This would comprise of the information we have already compiled - reasons, maps, properties affected etc – plus the signatures from the prescribed number of electors. This would be 75 from Woodland and 187 from Lynesack & Softley.

Correspondence & I.T.

1. Various correspondences were read out by the clerk (acting) and made available to the members.

Any Other Business.

1. Litter bins. 3 new bins have been purchased as agreed at last meeting and are awaiting installation.
2. The Village Hall now has a new committee, as from beginning of this year, and cllrs Harding and Land are on the committee. There are plans to refurbish the hall and hopefully attract increased use in future.
3. Emergency Plan. Cllr Land is working on this and will be attending a meeting on the subject at Spennymoor town hall on 17th May.
4. Cllr Peckett informed the council regarding the condition of electrical infrastructure in the village (and surrounding area) and of dangerous un-inspected poles.

5. Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

The PC will purchase and distribute commemorative coins for each of the children at the school.

We will put up some commemorative plaques throughout the village.

The Village Hall is running a series of events over the Jubilee long week-end and the council is supporting this. We have donated £100 with a promise to match-fund any donations received from Lynesack & Softley.

Next Meeting

Thursday 11th August 2022. 7.30 pm.

Woodland Village Hall

This is a true and accurate minute of the meeting as agreed by the council.

DATE

SIGNED