WOODSIDE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held Monday 24th May 2021 at 7.30 p.m. in Oulton Institute Hall.

**Members Present**

W.F. Marrs (Chairman) J. Mattinson A.Pitcher (ABC)

D.Wright Mrs C. Robinson

W. McKie T. Mattinson

Mrs A. Lewis M. Mullett

S. Connor H. Barrow M.D. McCabe (Clerk)

## Members of the Public Present

## None

**Apologies for Absence** were received from the following.

Mrs E. Lynch (ABC)

**The Minutes of the Last Meeting**

These had been circulated prior to the meeting. They were agreed, and signed by the Chairman.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Some repairs have been carried out in Oulton, but more need to be done. The clerk is to find out when they are liable to be finished. A gulley at the Bird-in-Hand and two manholes and a gulley at Aikhead need attention.

**Longthwaite Planning**

Nothing heard as yet. The clerk is to contact Mrs Lynch for an update.

**Cumbria County Councillor’s Report**

None.

**Allerdale Borough Councillor’s Report**

ABC have had their AGM. Due to lessons learned from the pandemic, the Annual Strategic Review will only look at one year at a time. Funds are available to help small businesses. Details are on their website. The preferred option for local government reform would see Allerdale, Copeland and Carlisle forming north Cumbria. Eden. This would geographically mean Woodside and Wigton would no longer be on the periphery of the area. South Lakes and Barrow would form the south. Savings would be made by having one less tier of government. It is proposed that the old and new authorities would run side by side for the first year, to ensure a smooth transition.

**Wigton Burial Joint Committee Report**

Many of the plants at the cemetery have been killed by the late frost. The cemetery records have now been returned to the vestry, and are stored in a fireproof cabinet. They are slowly going digital. A trainer is to refresh staff with this. The tenant of the cemetery house has moved out as she has a new job. A new tenant is being sought. A new gas fire is needed in the house. There have been problems with dog mess. This is to be monitored.

**Correspondence**

**Wigton Burial Joint Committee:** acknowledge receipt of the first payment for 2021/22 of £575.

**The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award:** acknowledge the donation of £99 made in memory of The Duke of Edinburgh and send their thanks.

**Hospice at Home:** has sent a newsletter and raffle tickets which were made available to the meeting.

**Glasdon:** has sent its latest catalogue, which was made available to the meeting.

**Clerks & Councils Direct & The Clerk** has been sent.

**Bank Statements**

Statements from Barclay’s were checked and approved by the meeting.

**Applications for Planning**

**New Applications**

None

**Accounts for Payment**

Wigton Wiza Club (Donation) £ 50.00 Chq 100629

Zurich Municipal (2021/22 Insurance premium) £ 257.60 Chq 100630

**Date and Time of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting is planned to be on 14th June.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.