WOODSIDE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held Monday 15th May 2023 at 7.30 p.m. in Oulton Institute Hall.

**Members Present**

W. Marrs (Chairman) Mrs C. Robinson Mrs E. Lynch (CC)

D. Wright

Mrs A. Lewis T. Mattinson M.D. McCabe (Clerk)

John Mattinson M. Mullett

**Members of the Public Present**

## None.

**Apologies for Absence**

Were received from the following, and accepted. S. Connor (Working away)

**The Minutes of the Last Meeting**

These were agreed, and signed by the Chairman.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes**

The Clerk consulted CALC. They use Unity Trust Bank, which is specifically for charities and non-profit organisations. There was some concern about use of a bank which is based abroad. It was agreed to see what Barclays and the Cumberland B.S. could offer. An on-line banking account and a savings account are to be investigated.

**Cumberland Council Report**

Finger posts – Cllr Lewis is to find out how many traditional finger post signs are in the parish, and what is their condition. The on-going strike by refuse collectors is largely a result of the merger of councils, to form Cumberland Council. Each of the previous councils had different terms and conditions and rates of pay. A speed warning device is being considered by Cumberland Highways. Plans are in hand to re-surface many rural roads, as these are in a deplorable condition in places. People are encouraged to report any road defects, as funding from central government is based on the number of complaints received.

**Wigton Burial Joint Committee Report**

The grass is now being cut and the path completed. A quote for straightening headstones is awaited.

**Appointment of new Internal Auditor**

Cllr Connor said he knew someone who might be interested. As he was unable to attend the meeting, there is no update on this.

**Correspondence**

**John Salisbury** has sent a receipt for the sixty-five pounds paid to audit the accounts for 2022/23. He thanks the Council for the One hundred pounds Dobbies voucher. He has enjoyed auditing the accounts over the last twenty years or so, and wishes the Council well in finding a replacement.

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

**C.A.L.C.** acknowledge receipt of 2023/24 subscription fees.

**Zurich** has sent a receipt for the payment of £257.60 for the 2023/24 insurance premium.

**Clerk & Councils Direct** was made available to the meeting.

**Bank Statements**

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

**Applications for Planning**

**New Applications**

HOU/2023/0071 D.Pape, Seasons View, Oulton. Rear extension. No objection apart from concern over sewage. It was agreed that United Utilities would be the ones to consider this.

HOU/2023/0081 K.Paisley, Oulton Ho. Redundant Barn to dwelling. Approved.

**Decisions**

FUL/2023/0021 D.Wright, Tarnrigg Moor. Cattle shed extension. GRANTED

**Accounts for Payment**

None

**Date and Time of the Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting is provisionally Monday 10th July 2023.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.