NETHER WYRESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

AGM & annual parish assembly minutes for meeting of 23rd May 2024, 7.30PM @ Scorton Chapel

Present: Cllr Elliott, Thompson and Collinson, Wyre Cllr Charlotte Walker, the clerk and a member of the public

1. Apologies:

Cllr Gledhill

CIIr Atkinson

Lancashire County Cllr Shaun Turner

2. Dec of interest:

None

3. Minutes from last AGM:

Signed as a correct record 29/06/23.

4. Arising:

No matters arising from last AGM.

5. Election of officers:

The following members were unanimously appointed:

Chairman - Cllr Collinson

Vice chairman - Cllr Elliott

LALC Wyre Area representative - CIIr Elliott

Planning Ambassador - Cllr Thompson

6. Chairman's report:

See appendix 1. Cllr Collinson read.

7. Finance:

Accounts 2023/24

The clerk has emailed the accounts sheet as well as the relevant pages of the AGAR. The Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statement were unanimously approved. The end of year balance is £19,183.73 (less unpresented cheque clerk expenses £45.60 and standing order clerk March wages) comprising of:

Biodiversity grant - £600 (2 year's worth)
PRoW grant - £1,403.50
Other reserves (including unspent donations) - £17,180.23

8. Open forum:

A member of the public raised several issues that had come up over the last few months including obstruction of footpath by cars on Gubberford Lane and Station Lane, a lack of maintenance of gullies, overgrown hedges on Station Lane and vehicles ignoring speed limits and exceeding 30MPH.

9. Annual meeting:

No matter raised.

As there was no further business, the meeting concluded @ 7.45PM and was followed by an ordinary meeting of the council.

APPENDIX 1

Nether Wyresdale PC Chair Report 23rd May 2024

Thank you to all that attend the meetings and it is much appreciated that you take the time to follow up work and contribute to the work of the PC. Work in progress includes Church tree planting, Playground equipment renewal and Speed sign improvements. It is very frustrating that a common complaint is roadwork repairs and this is a time consuming issue. The Love clean streets app is not fully functioning and there is no continuity in dealing with a named person or contact. Generally, a response is often delayed and difficult to chase up. Thank you to Matt for being a constant road champion and cycling surveyor.

Nether Wyresdale Parish continues to be a lovely place to live and has some thriving local businesses, hopefully we are able to continue to support these in maintaining the assets of the Play area, Millenium footpath and surrounding countryside. John, our lengthsman, does a fantastic job and we also have the benefit of some private individuals, most notably Dave McLoughlin and family, who keep the countryside clean. Without an increase in central funding, grant applications or local fundraising we are only able to sustain maintenance and hence improvement schemes are difficult to implement.

Long live our new King Charles benches and all who sit on them.