

ANNUAL MEETING OF AUSTWICK PARISH COUNCIL
MONDAY, THE 22nd MAY 2023 at 6.00 pm.
MINUTES

- 1. Election of Chair for the Year.**
On the proposal of Cllr David Dewhirst, seconded by Cllr Mark Robinson, there being no other nominations, Cllr Peter Goold was re-elected to serve as Chairman for the year 2023-2024.
- 2. Declaration of Chair's Acceptance of Office.**
Cllr Peter Goold signed the Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Chairman in the presence of and countersigned by the Proper Officer.
- 3. Present:** Cllrs Peter Goold, David Dewhirst, Mark Robinson and Barbara Tibbatts, and with the Clerk and four members of the public in attendance.
Apologies for non-attendance received from Cllr Kate Smith.
- 4. Election of Vice-Chair for the Year.**
On the proposal of Cllr Peter Goold, seconded by Cllr David Dewhirst, there being no other nominations, Cllr Barbara Tibbatts was re-elected to serve as Vice-Chair for the year 2023-2024.
- 5. Declaration of Vice-Chair's Acceptance of Office.**
Cllr Barbara Tibbatts signed the Declaration of Acceptance of the Office of Vice-Chair in the presence of and countersigned by the Proper Officer.
- 6.** The Council **resolved** to permit any councillor that is unable to sign their Declaration of Acceptance of Office at this meeting, or who has not undertaken this task before this meeting, to sign their Declaration before or at the next ordinary meeting of the Council.
- 7. Declarations of Interest**
The Council has received the updated Declaration of Interests from all Members and **agreed** to send the Register of Declarations to the North Yorkshire Council and upload this version on the Parish Council's public website.
- 8. Appointments of Representatives to other external Committees/Bodies for the year 2023 – 2024.**
Councillors were appointed as representatives to the following external Committees / Bodies:

 - a. Parish Hall Council Representative – Cllr Barbara Tibbatts

- b. Settle and District Aid in Sickness Fund Representative – Cllr Peter Goold
 - c. The Hargraves and Green Educational Foundation – Cllr Peter Goold
 - d. The Yorkshire Local Councils Association – Cllr David Dewhirst
9. The Council **resolved** that the clerk and RFO is empowered to do anything expedient and necessary to ensure the continuous business of the Council, and to deal with mandatory undertakings in order to prevent the authority from incurring liability during the period that the delegation is applicable under the Local Government Act 1972, Section 101. The Council **resolved** that these delegated powers would be exercised by the clerk and RFO only after consultation with the Chairman and would be reported to all Councillors in a timely manner and minuted for ratification at the next meeting of the Council.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the Meeting at 6.05 pm.

Marijke Hill
Clerk to the Council