## MINUTES OF HUDSWELL & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD IN HUDSWELL VILLAGE HALL ON: Thursday 18<sup>h</sup> May 2023

| Present:  | Cllr A Barker(AB)Cllr P Chapman(PC)Cllr J Dixon(JD)Cllr Y Peacock (NYCC)(YP)Cllr B Phillips(BP)Cllr R Phillips(RP)Mrs C Swainston (Parish Clerk)(CS)Cllr H Swettenham(HS)   |        |
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| Observer: | Cllr Naomi Meredith, Chair of Marske and New Forest PC  |        |
| 1.        | Election of Chairman  | ACTION |
|           | Cllr John Dixon was elected as Chairman, and Cllr Richard Phillips as Vice Chairman. Cllr Dixon thanked those in attendance.  |        |
| 2.        | To approve the Minutes for 2022   |        |
|           | The minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 were approved and signed.  |        |
| 3.        | Approval of Annual Governance Statement 2022/2023 for Audit   |        |
|           | The Risk Register, Asset Register and Standing Orders for 2023 were considered, together with the additional Playing Field Risk Register and Privacy Statement. Councillors ratified these documents and approved the Annual Governance Statement.  |        |
| 4.        | Approval of Accounting Statements 2022/2023 for Audit   |        |
|           | The Parish Clerk presented the final accounts for the period 2022/23. She confirmed that the "Exemption Certificate" would be returned to the external Auditor.   |        |
| 5.        | To agree Parish Clerks Stipend 2023/2024  |        |
|           | The Parish Council agreed an annual stipend of £2,000.00 for the Parish Clerk. This equates to 50% of the precept, as previously agreed.  |        |
| 6.        | Parish Council Chairman's Report  |        |
|           | Cllr Dixon presented his report:  |        |
|           | <ul> <li>Full cohort of Councillors following the parish elections last year.</li> <li>Richard Phillips continues to lead on the development of Hudswell Village Hall playing field; new planting of trees and hedges.</li> <li>Downholme received its own defibrillator and training was provided for all those interested.</li> <li>The new North Yorkshire Council is now in place, we wait to see how we will be affected.</li> </ul> |        |
| 7.        | County and District Councillor's Report   |        |

Cllr Peacock said there had been a great deal of discussion about the North Yorkshire Council. The Locality Fund has helped the village with various

|    | purchases. Superfast Broadband is now up and running and working properly.<br>Highways remains the main bone of contention.<br>Cllr Peacock thanked the meeting for always being happy to see her and very<br>welcoming. | ACTION |
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| 8. | Hudswell Community Charity Report  |        |
|    | A charity report was issued with the papers for the meeting, the contents were noted.  |        |
| 9. | Hudswell Village Hall Report   |        |
|    | Cllr Paul Chapman presented the Village Hall report.   |        |