

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ERYHOLME PARISH
COUNCIL HELD AT WESTLANDS ON
THURSDAY, 24TH MAY, 2018 AT 7.30 P.M.**

Present. Cllrs. M. Hirst, C. Walker, Sandra Pollard and Ruth Gibbon

Apologies for Absence None

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at Westlands on 30th May, 2017 were read and signed as a true record by the Cllr. M. Hirst.

Matters arising from the Minutes. Footpath to Dalton. The bridge is due for repair after harvest.

Broadband. This has been completed by Quickline (Clannet) for those who wished to access it.

Website. This is complete and about to go live. The Council expressed their gratitude to Mr. Joe Wrigley for his work on this and he has also agreed to give some training on the use of the website. We received a grant of £1024 from the National Association of Local Councils for the cost of setting up the website and for a new laptop and printer for council use.

History of Eryholme. This is being prepared for publication.

Around and About. The cost of this newsletter will increase to £36 for 2018. This was approved by the Council.

Finance: Cllr. Gibbon reported a credit balance of £1236.74 as at 31st March 2018. A precept had been received during the year of £600 and a grant of £1024 for the cost of a laptop and printer for council use and the setting up and training for the use of a website for Eryholme. The Councillors unanimously approved Section 1 – the Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 and duly signed by the Chairman. Section 2 – the Accounting Statements 2017/18 was also approved and signed by the Chairman. The accounts had all been audited by Malcolm MacKenzie our internal auditor.

Election of Officers. Chairman – Cllr. Michael Hirst and **Clerk** – Cllr. Ruth Gibbon were proposed to continue and this was agreed unanimously. Mrs Martha Stephenson had agreed to shadow the Clerk for a year as Cllr. Gibbon wishes to retire.

Correspondence. Rural Services Network. These newsletters come through by email and are forwarded to Councillors when appropriate. **Parish Survey on Vehicle Activated Signs.** NYCC have requested this to find out whether Parish Councils are able to fund these themselves or what funds they would require if there is a need for these within their Parish. We do not need one!

Any Other Business. Village Barbecue. The Wrightson family are hoping to arrange a village get together this summer. It was suggested that we have a raffle and/or tombola to raise funds for the publication of the History of Eryholme as it will cost in the region of £1200 to £1500.

Casual Vacancy. The Notice of Vacancy received from Richmondshire D.C. had been displayed and the closing date for applications is 31st May. If there are no nominations we can then co-opt someone onto the council.

Dalton Village Hall Representative. It was agreed that Cllr. Ruth Gibbon would be our representative.

A167 Closure. An official complaint is to be sent to Highways regarding the closure of this A road through the day for 5 days and the disruption it has caused.

The Next Parish Council Meeting will be held at Westlands on Tuesday, 18th September, 2018 at 7.30 p.m. (TBC)

The Next Annual Parish Meeting to be held at Westlands is to be confirmed nearer the time.