**DRAFT MINUTES OF ERYHOLME PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WESTLANDS ON MONDAY, 20th August 2018 AT 8.00 P.M.**

**Present.** Cllrs. M. Hirst, S. Pollard, C. Walker, R. Gibbon, B. Wrightson and M. Stephenson (Clerk).

**Welcome.** The Cllrs. Welcomed Barnaby Wrightson as a new councillor and Martha Stephenson as parish clerk.

**Apologies for Absence.** None.

**Minutes of the Meeting** held at Westlands on Monday 12th March, 2018 were read and signed by Cllr. Hirst as a true record.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes. Website and computer:** The laptop and printer have been purchased. Training has been provided by Joe Wrigley regarding the website to Ruth Gibbon, Sandra Pollard and Martha Stephenson.

**Footpath from Dalton.** Ruth Gibbon has been in touch with Andy Brown re the foot bridge repair, and this should be completed by mid-September.

**Finance.** The balance in the Barclays Community Account as at today’s date is a credit

balance of £566.76.

Joe Wrigley has been paid £360 for setting up the website and for training. Ruth Gibbon has been paid £609.98 for the computer and printer.

The balance in the Darlington Building Society Sports Fund is 433.96. There was a cash amount of £102 put in from the proceeds of bar at the Village Barbeque.

A monthly payment of £8 needs to be set up by direct debit to pay for the domain name for the Eryholme website [www.eryholme.org.uk](http://www.eryholme.org.uk) . The Clerk to contact Joe to set this up.

It was agreed that the signatories for the bank account should remain the same i.e. Cllr. Michael Hirst and Cllr. Ruth Gibbon.

The precept for next year needs to be agreed; currently it is £600 p.a.

**Correspondence.** Any correspondence received by email had been forwarded to the Councillors. Ruth Gibbon as retiring Parish Clerk had forwarded all relevant emails to Martha Stephenson via the Eryholme Parish Council email.

**Any Other Business.**

Cllr. Hirst proposed a vote of thanks to Barney and Clarey Wrightson for hosting the village barbeque which took place on July 21st. The raffle at the barbeque raised £110 towards the publication of the History of Eryholme. Regarding the publishing of the **History of Eryholme** Tony Pollard had received 2 quotations and full details were circulated at the meeting. The quote from Fonthill was deemed the preferred option. Fundraising options were discussed, with a possibility of asking for a higher precept this coming year. It was decided to go with Fonthill for the publishing and discuss the financing later on. The outlay is approximately £1500.

There will be an **Eryholme ‘dig’** on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th October. It is in fact a ‘geophysical survey’ organised by Tees Archaeology. There will be a workshop in Dalton Village Hall on 3rd October. Information about how to apply to help on the survey is on the website and facebook page for the village. There was a thought that refreshments for volunteers on the day could be provided and used as a fundraiser for the book.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.50 pm.

**The next Parish council meeting will be held at Westlands,**

**on Monday 29th October at 7.30 p.m.**