

# *Garsdale Parish Council*

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## **Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at Garsdale Village Hall after the AGM**

### **Present:**

**Councillors** Annette Colton, Dave Labbate, Bill Mawdsley, Gillian Dickinson, Graham Lant, Thomas Todd and Clerk Philip Johns

### **1. Apologies**

Hamish Wilson

### **2. Declarations of Interest**

None

### **3. Minutes**

Minutes of the 21st March Council Meeting were signed.

### **4. County Councillor and District Councillors' report**

As per AGM

### **5. Progress reports**

1. Clerk apologised for the breach of data that occurred recently. This had been reported to the ICO who had replied saying that such minor breaches would not warrant investigation but suggested that council looked at their data protection procedures so as to eliminate further breaches. Council voted to approve the annual accounts, annual return, exemption certificate and the current risk assessment. After receiving advice, council also voted that emails received by council that were deemed to be vexatious will be filtered out in future.
2. Village hall: a third quote was still outstanding. There was now a Facebook page.
3. Highways: the work on the Old Road had been put back until June/July due to lack of money but the cattle grid at Danny Bridge has been cleared. David commented that overgrown trees were causing problems with sight lines. Clerk will write again to Highways.
4. Broadband: most properties on route 1 were now live and some progress has been made on route 2, but this should accelerate once B4RN have finished the road crossings.
5. Motorbikes: as AGM
6. Station footpath: Chairman has drafted a letter which the clerk will send out to Northern Railway, Friends of Settle-Carlisle Railway and Tim Farron. A councillor commented that Network Rail was making much noise about the number of crossings that they were presently removing.
7. Water Risk Assessments: As per AGM.

### **6. Public/open session**

Philip Johns asked if council could debate the issue of the value that council tax gives to local residents and businesses at the next meeting. Clerk will add it to the agenda for the next meeting.

### **7. Updates from Community Groups**

NTR

### **8. Financial matters**

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1. Cheques for payments of 2 months' clerk salary were agreed.
2. The balance stood at £5678.54

## 9. Correspondence

1. Retrospective planning for Metcalfe's Bridge had been approved.
2. Hind Keld West: no objections

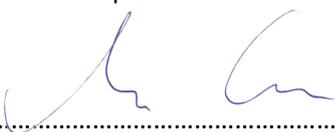
## 10. Councillor matters.

The commemorative bench had not been placed in the village grounds yet, Bill will be asked to help secure it against theft, preferably before the sports day on 29<sup>th</sup> May.

## Date of next meeting

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July.

Meeting closed 9.32pm.

Chairman.....

Date..... 18 July 2019

Please note that these are draft minutes, subject to change and will not be signed until the next meeting.