

Hartwith cum Winsley Parish Council

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held Tuesday 26th April 2022 at 7.00 pm at The Annexe, Summerbridge Methodist Church.

1.	A roll call of officers was taken at the beginning of the meeting. The following were present: Cllrs T Watson, N Milnes, B Thornton, J Stanton, Clerk T Dawson
2.	The Chair welcomed two members of the public and received apologies for absence from Cllrs Benn and Titchmarsh.
3.	The Council received and approved the minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly held on 27 th April 2021
4.	The North Yorkshire County Council annual report was unavailable due to the absence of Councillor Michael Harrison.
5.	<p>The Council received the Harrogate Borough Council annual report from Councillor Tom Watson:</p> <p>The Covid 19 epidemic arrived in the UK in early 2020. Throughout the pandemic all Councils have carried out council meetings remotely or in person when permitted by Government guidance.</p> <p>1. <u>Local Government Review for North Yorkshire</u> Local Government in North Yorkshire is to be merged into one single Council Authority from the 1st of April 2023. All Borough and District Councils, including the County Council will be abolished on the 31st of March 2023. Elections for the new authority and for Parish Councils will be held on 5th May 2022 and all elected councillors will serve for a 5-year term until 2027 with elections every 4 years after that date.</p> <p>2. <u>Housing in Nidderdale</u> Affordable rented housing in the AONB is a major problem for young families wishing to remain in the dales. Five new build houses and one ex council house were bought by the Borough Council in Summerbridge last year and three more homes are nearing completion at Darley. The Borough Council is now purchasing ex council houses that have been sold under the Right to Buy scheme which is helping to maintain the Council's housing stock within the Borough.</p> <p>3. <u>Defibrillators</u> I have worked with Parish Councils and local communities to obtain unused defibrillators and cabinets from obsolete sites, these now being relocated to the following places : Hookstone Memorial Hall Christ Church Community Central Darley Playing Fields Pavilion Heyshaw Village (Defibrillator) I would like to thank all Parish Councillors and the residents of Nidd Valley Ward for their support and help over the last year and look forward to serving my last year as</p>

	<p>Harrogate Borough Councillor for Nidd Valley. TOM WATSON A member of the public asked for information about the new ward divisions from 2023.</p>
6.	<p>The Council received the Chairman of Hartwith cum Winsley Parish Council's annual report: Over the last two years Hartwith Parish Council has continued to carry out its duties in these difficult times, either by remote meetings or in person when permitted. Over the last four years a number of projects have been completed by the Parish Council including the following: <u>Poppy Fields Development</u>, The remembrance garden at the War Memorial was completed last year by Castellum Homes and Unite Construction, the developers of Poppy Fields, at no extra cost to the Parish. The Parish Council and I would like to thank the developers for all the work they have carried out at the remembrance garden. <u>VAS Signs</u> We hope to install 2 VAS signs in Summerbridge in the near future to remind motorists that Summerbridge is a 30-mph zone. This project is being jointly funded by the developers of Poppy Fields (Unite Construction) and the Parish Council. <u>Highways Improvements</u> New kerbs and ground works were carried at East View including the refurbishment of the old 1940s road sign. <u>Village Sign</u> The Parish Council have installed a new village sign at Smelthouses. <u>Village Maintenance</u> The following work is carried out by Hartwith cum Winsley Parish Council on a regular basis: Grass cutting within the 30/40 mph zone; bus shelters maintenance and cleaning, including village signs; garden maintenance at Poppy Fields and also at Dobson Bank Top; weekly checks on defibrillators. <u>Harrogate Borough Council Street Lighting</u> Problems still continue with street lighting in Summerbridge and Low Laithe, but it is hoped this can be rectified in the near future. I would like to say a big thanks to all Parish Councillors, the Parish Clerk and the Parish caretaker for all their help and support over the last 4 years. I would like to thank Cllrs Titchmarsh and Stanton for all their support and work for the parish during their tenure on the parish council. Councillor Tom Watson Chair of Hartwith cum Winsley Parish Council. A member of the public reported that collection of recycling from The Whinfields had been late, and Cllr Watson resolved to check into the matter. Cllr Milnes thanked Cllr Watson for all his efforts and support. Cllr Watson proposed a letter of thanks be sent to Cllrs Titchmarsh and Benn.</p>
7.	<p>To receive annual reports from councillors and stakeholders representing the following bodies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Nidderdale Strategic Partnership. Cllr Watson reported that no meetings had been held in 2021-22 and no report was therefore available. b) Safer Neighbourhood Partnership. Cllr Stanton reported that the last two years had been very quiet but that efforts were still being made to find volunteers to start a new Youth Club in Pateley Bridge. c) Dacre and Hartwith Village Hall. Cllr Stanton reported that 2 grants had been successfully applied for. d) Dacre and Hartwith Playing Fields Association. Cllr Milnes reported that no meetings had been held in 2021-22 and no report was therefore available. e) North Yorkshire Police. The Clerk advised no report had been provided. Cllr Watson advised that he had asked for data on the responses to 101 calls.

8.	Elector's question time. No further questions were raised.
9.	Exchange of Information. No new information was provided.
10.	The Council agree a provisional date of 18 th April 2023 for the next Annual Parish Meeting.
The meeting closed at 7.35 pm.	

To be confirmed at the next Council meeting.