

WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES 214

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 29th June 2023

The meeting started at 6.30 pm.

In attendance:

Cllrs Catherine Sales, Gina McKay, Lucy Quinn, Neil McKay, Richard George, Rob Woods and Wade Nash

Cllr Quinn confirmed that for the purposes of this meeting alone, she would be taking the role of clerk & RFO.

1. Apologies for Absence and Approval

None received.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Gina McKay declared an 'other interest' in item 4.

3. Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2022-2023

3.1 Members discussed each of the assertions in the Annual Governance Statement in turn and resolved by unanimous agreement that the Chair and Clerk should sign the document

3.2 Members considered the Accounting Statement and resolved by unanimous agreement to approve it and for the Chair to sign it, the Clerk having signed in advance

3.3 Members discussed the period for the exercise of public rights and resolved by unanimous agreement:

- a) that the notice of public rights should be posted on 30th June 2023
- b) that the period for the exercise of public rights will be 3rd July 2023 to 11th August 2023

3.4 Following a discussion members resolved by unanimous agreement:

- a) to accept the explanations, where given, for the significant variances in the annual accounting statements
- b) that their negative responses to the Annual Governance Statement are only as a result of a lack of understanding and knowledge of the Council's financial management in 2022/23 vis-a-vis the detailed requirements of the Accounting and Audit Regulations 2015
- c) that the Council considered the Internal Auditor's report and will act on the recommendations as soon as possible in 2023/24

4. Village School use of Village Green

Cllrs approved the request for the green to be used for a year 6 leaver's event with use of power from the Pavilion if required. Cllr Nash will inform the requestee.

Approved by a vote of 6 in favour, 1 abstention.

5. Date and venue of next meeting

The next scheduled council meeting will be held on **Thursday 27th July 2023** starting at 7.00 pm in the Memorial Hall Annexe

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 7.00 pm

Signed _____
Chair

Dated _____