WOODSIDE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held Monday 22nd October 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in Oulton Institute Hall,

**Members Present**

W.McKie (Chairman) D.Wright

Mrs A.Fox M.Mullett

W.F.Marrs Mrs A. Lewis

J.Mattinson M.D.McCabe (Clerk)

## Members of the Public Present

## Alan Johnston Ian Lewis Malcolm Morris

## Moira Asbridge Jane Roe Nona Eastwood

## Alison Marrs Barry Wallace David Asbridge

## Jennifer Roughley Jim Annels

**Apologies for Absence** were received from the following.

A.Hedworth (Borough Cllr) H.Barrow

**The Minutes of the Last Meeting** were read and approved and signed by the chairman.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Vacancy on Council. One of the councillors knows of someone who is interested in becoming a councillor, but they may need a little persuasion.

**Cumbria County Councillor’s Report**

None

**Allerdale Borough Councillor’s Report**

None

**Wigton Burial Joint Committee**

Still an on-going legal issue which cannot be discussed.

**Proposed Abolition of 30 mph Speed Limit through Oulton**

There was unanimous opposition to the proposed removal of the 30 mph speed limit through Oulton. The Parish Council has not been officially informed of this. It seems the proposed change to the limit is the abolition of the 30 mph maximum between its current start to the North of Oulton and the former school. Reasons for the retention of the limit would include wagons to and from Kirkbride Airfield Industrial Estate, frequent events at the Airfield, extra traffic from Wigton by-pass, especially when traffic is diverted, a number of accidents and near-misses at Bird-in-Hand crossroads, the bus shelter for school kids and the play area.

It was felt that non-compliance with the limit was not a good reason to abolish it. Many drivers do comply. If the limit was to start at the former school, people would slow down further into the village than at present. It was suggested that a 40 mph limit be imposed from North of the Bird-in-Hand or even the top of Eskrigg to the former school, then 30 mph from there onwards. This would make most drivers slow to 30 mph by the time they reached the school. An illuminated speed indicator, as installed at Moorhouse would be useful, as would red painted markings on the road surface. The 30 mph limit works, as there have been very few accidents since it was introduced about twenty years ago.

**Correspondence**

**HM Revenue & Customs -** VAT claims are now to be made on line. Instructions have been sent as to how to do this.

**Cumbria C.C.** **–** A consultation is taking place with regard to the proposed expansion of Thursby Primary School.

**Allerdale B.C.** **–** None

**C.A.L.C. –** The method of calculating the subscription rate for CALC / NALC has been reviewed, to make it more transparent and fairer. The proposed rate for Woodside would be £146.37. Last year’s subscription was £160.19.

**S.L.C.C. –** None

**Wigton Burial Joint Committee –** have advised that the payment required for 2018-19 is £1297.50.

**Barclays –** A debit card will be needed when paying cash into a business account at a branch of Barclays in future. This is unlikely to affect the Parish Council.

**Royal Mail –** are taking steps to stop scam mail, and to warn people not to be conned by it.

**Great North Air Ambulance –** ask if the Council will consider them when setting the precept.

**Hospice at Home –** have sent their latest newsletter and Christmas card catalogue.

**Clerks & Councils Direct –** was made available to the meeting.

**Trade Catalogues –** Catalogues from Glasdon, Wicksteed, Hags, Sunshine Gym and Parkers were made available to the meeting.

**Bank Statements**

Barclays statements were made available to the meeting and found to be in order. These were signed by the Chairman.

**Applications for Planning**

**New Applications**

2/2018/0445 J.Fitzsimmons, Syke Farm – New dwelling. NO OBJECTIONS

**Accounts for Payment**

Wigton Burial Joint Committee (2018/19 precept) £1297.50 Chq 100612

**Date and Time of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting was provisionally arranged for **Monday** 10th December 2018, at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.