WOODSIDE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held Monday 23rd September 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in The Stocksman, Wigton.

**Members Present**

W.F.Marrs (Chairman) D.Wright A.Pitcher (Borough Cllr)

S.Connor J.Mattinson

W.McKie Mrs A. Lewis Mrs E.Lynch (Borough Cllr)

 M.D.McCabe (Clerk)

## Members of the Public Present

## None

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

H.Barrow M.Mullett

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

**Matters Arising from the Minutes**

The three street lights in Oulton which were not working had been fixed, although two have since failed again. The clerk reported this, but Cumbria C.C. again deny that the lights are their responsibility. The clerk is to report this again.

**Cumbria County Councillor’s Report**

None.

**Allerdale Borough Councillor’s Report**

Waste collections have almost got back to normal after the recent problems. It is planned to take the collections in-house when the contract with SCC ends. An investigation is taking place as to what went wrong and why. The original plan for a stadium at Wokington has been dropped in favour of a smaller one.

**Wigton Burial Joint Committee**

The grass at the cemetery is being cut by the man who cuts that at Abbeytown. He will make one more cut this year. The former curator will vacate the cemetery house by 31st October 2019, after which it will probably be rented out. Cllrs. Girvan and Marrs are presently checking the accuracy of the various records and locations of graves, as a few mistakes have come to light. This should be finished by spring 2020. An advisor is coming to help with this on 9th October. The Committee are very grateful for the help the councillors have given.

**Highways Matters**

The street lights in Oulton are mentioned above. Flooding is occurring in two places in the parish – Moorhouse and Longthwaite crossroads. The clerk is to report this.

**Declarations of Office and Election Expenses** Mrs Robinson has not attended a meeting since the election, so is no longer a councillor. Cllr Marrs is to contact her to see if she is still interested on being on the Council. This leaves two seats vacant.

**Correspondence**

**Barclays –** has sent new rules about making payments on line. This does not affect Woodside at present.

**Great North Air Ambulance –** asks that the Council considers them when setting the precept.

**Barclays –** has sent a newsletter, Christmas catalogue and raffle tickets. These were made available to the meeting.

**The Pensions Regulator –** acknowledge that the Council has complied with its duties.

**John Salisbury –** has sent a receipt for his payment for the internal audit.

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

**Trade Catalogues –** None.

**Bank Statements**

These were checked and approved by the meeting.

**Applications for Planning**

**New Applications**

None.

**Accounts for Payment**

Wigton Burial Joint Committee (2019/20 Payment) £ 593.00 Chq 100572

The Stocksman (Sept meeting room) £ 25.00 Chq 100573

It was agreed that a cheque could be issued for Wigton Burial Joint Committee as a loan until 2020/21 financial year for an amount not exceeding £1,200. The exact amount would be in proportion to that loaned by Waverton P.C. and Wigton T.C. On 26th September the amount was advised as £1703.40, so a cheque could not be issued for that amount.

**Date and Time of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting was provisionally arranged for **Monday** 16th December 2019, at 7.30 p.m. Venue to be agreed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.