

# ARKENGARTHDALE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

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**MINUTES**  
**of**  
**ARKENGARTHDALE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**  
**held in St Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 at 7 pm**

**Present:** Councillor S Stubbs (Chair); Councillor P Harker (Vice-Chair); Councillor R Stones; Councillor S Atkinson; Councillor N Barningham;

**In attendance:** L Bridge (Clerk)

1. Welcome and Introductions.

Chairman Stephen Stubbs welcomed everyone to the meeting, including one member of the parish.

2. To read the Notice Convening the Meeting.

The Chairman read the Notice convening the Meeting

3. Apologise for Absence

Apologise and reasons for absence were approved for Councillor Y Peacock.

4. Public

Apologise and reasons for absence were approved for Councillor Y Peacock.

5. To read the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the Parish held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

The minutes were read and all councillors agreed that it was a correct record. Proposed by Councillor Harker and seconded by Councillor Barningham. The Chairman was unable to sign them as the clerk did not print them off. Will get signed at the June meeting.

6. The Statement of Accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

This was read and approved by all Councillors. The Chairman was informed that there was a discrepancy of £15.00 but the clerk assured him that this would be resolved before the submission of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return when this will be reissued to the Council.

7. Annual Chairman's Report

When I wrote our report last year, we had just emerged from the Covid pandemic. I am quietly impressed and relieved how things have got back so soon to some form of normality.

We were successful in obtaining a grant from Richmond District Council of up to £50,000 towards the renovation work being carried out at Saint Mary's church. Work is progressing well and once finished will provide a more useful space inside plus the kitchen and inside toilet for community use.

The supply and installation of bringing fibre into our Dale with all the positives this brings has been delayed yet again until later this year. A voucher priority was granted for Arkengarthdale via B4RN this pre-registered package which is a specific project area approval has been delayed because the Reeth application was rejected which is required to supply Arkengarthdale.

Our finances are healthy and as of 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2023 are as follows

Main Account £5,649.93

Seat Account £1,138.03

Arkengarthdale Emergency Community Fund £801.83

I would like to thank the Councillors over the past year and hope we have gone some way in resolving the issues raised. I look forward to working with you all in the future.

Finally, on behalf of Arkengarthdale Parish Council and parishioners, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Lisa, Parish Clerk for all the work she has done. We will miss you but wish you all the best with your future commitments.

8. Discussion topics.

There had been no written resolutions from parishioners received by the Clerk.

9. Parish Council matters.

10. There were no questions to the Councillors on matters for which the Parish Council had responsibility.

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm