**Over Wyresdale Parish Council**

 **Minutes** of OWPC Meeting held in the Village Hall 7.30pm March 8th 2023.

1. **Attendance.** Mr. Mark Atkinson (chair), Mr. John Drinkall, Mr.Tom Entwistle (vice-chairman), Mrs Vicky O’Neill and Mr. Mason Townley

**Clerk** – Mrs. Christine Coleman.

1. **Apologies**. Mr. Barry Pye.
2. **The Minutes of the last meeting** were signed as a true record. Mr. Tom Entwistle proposed and Mr. Mason Townley seconded.
3. **Matters arising –**

**a) The committee organised the Commemoration of the late Queen Elizabeth –** to plant an oak tree in the school field. Two wise parishioners will officiate (spade and watering can), hopefully attended by a good crowd of Over Wyresdalians. Everybody welcome… no refreshments, but a good place to be, remember and make good memories**.**

 **b)** **The Shepherds Church** is tarmacking its driveway. A member of the committee is to liaise with the church committee.

1. **Standing Orders were discussed, reviewed and will remain the same as previous years.**
2. **The Parish Plan was reviewed and updated. All committee members were given copies to file for future reference.**
3. **Parish Council Elections – May 4th 2023. All councillors completed nomination forms.** The clerk to submit to LCC, hopefully all valid.
4. **Finance a) Bank Balance –** current account- £2398.29, not including £1500, parish precept– (imminent arrival), business reserve - £916.94**.** The committee unanimously agreed to pay the clerk her annual fee of £500.00 plus expenses of £311.86
5. **No planning.**
6. The clerk is to organise a nearer **internal auditor** for this year only.
7. **Highways –** A member of the committee is to report – Catshaw Fell, bottom road, a drain/dyke is blocked and the excess water is running into his field.
8. **Correspondence. All members agreed that the NW. Stages rally** planned for March 4th 2024 is good to go ahead.
9. **The committee may have found a new clerk who will attend May 17th meeting.**
10. **Preparations for celebrations of the coronation of King Charles lll.** The council decided against mugs (old fashioned) and had to reject the idea of coins (way too expensive) for pupils of Cawthorne’s Endowed School. There is a possibility of Enamel badges.
11. **Date of next meeting – May 17th**. The Meeting ended at 8.35pm