

# **MINUTES OF THE** **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** **OF LITTLE OUSEBURN, KIRBY HALL & THORPE** **UNDERWOOD**

held in the Village Hall on Thursday 25th May 2023 at 7pm.

1. Present: Cllrs. D Smith (Chairman), C Bligh, J Hawkins. A Kennerley (clerk)
2. Apologies Cllr. R Harrison
3. Minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting to approve as a correct record for signature by the Chairman. Approved and signed as a correct record by the chairman.
4. To receive the annual report of the Parish Council by the Chairman.

I would like to begin by thanking my fellow councillors and County Cllr Arnold Warneken for all their hard work supporting the three Parishes which we represent. I would also like to thank James Nellist, who resigned from the council, for his notable contribution, and to welcome Julie Hawkins on board.

Apart from the disappearance of The Green Tree and the 4 houses being built on the site, not much has changed, physically, except the planting of the Platinum Jubilee tree on the green, and the refurbishing of the noticeboard at Kirby Hall free of charge by Queen Ethelburgas.

One big change that has taken place recently, is that Harrogate Borough Council has ceased to exist, and we are now part of a Unitary Authority, North Yorkshire Council. This happened on 1<sup>st</sup> April and it is too early to know what effect this will have on a local level.

Much of our work is behind the scenes and great emphasis has been placed on trying to resolve the vexed issue of speeding. To this end, the council has put the wheels in motion to purchase a Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) for Main Street.

We are also working with the new NYC, with the help of County Cllr Warneken, to find a solution to slowing the traffic on the B6265. However, for a variety of reasons outside the PC's control, this is not an easy issue to resolve, but please be assured we are doing what we can.

The Platinum Jubilee celebrations were a success and the council received a lot of positive feedback.

Finally, many thanks to our clerk, Amanda Kennerley, who's efforts cannot be underestimated.

5. To receive a report from Arnold Warneken, County Councillor of the Ouseburn ward of NYC. Not present.
6. Open discussion from members of the public in attendance. No members of the public present.
7. To agree the date and time for the next meeting. To coincide with the AMPC date May 2024

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