Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held at 6:30pm on Monday 13th May 2023 in Hauxley Village Hall

Present: Cllr Robinson, Cllr Busby, Cllr Callender and Cllr Rutley
J Reynolds – Clerk

1/24 To elect the Chairman of the Council and to receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office
Councillor Robinson was re-elected as Chair

2/24 To elect the Vice Chairman
Councillor Rutley was elected as Vice Chair

3/24 To receive apologies for absence
Non

4/24 To receive any Declarations of Interest from members
No interests were declared.

5/24 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting and any matters arising
The PC are still awaiting final quotes for the resurfacing of the village square

The Neighbourhood plan is complete and will now be going to public referendum.

6/24 Internal Audit Report for year 2023/24

i. **To receive the report**
Deferred to next meeting as the report has not yet been finalised.

ii. **To agree to the recommendations within the report**
Deferred to next meeting as the report has not yet been finalised.

iii. **To agree to an Internal Auditor for 2024/25**
It was agreed to stay with the current internal auditor.

7/24 Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24

I. The Annual Governance Statement was approved.
II. The accounting statements were approved.
III. The Certificate of Exemption 2023/24 was confirmed and approved.
IV. It was agreed that the Exercise of Public Rights to Inspect 2023/24 will be published onto the Parish Council Website for 30 days from the 30th June 2024

8/24 Finance

i. **To note receipt of bank reconciliations at 31st March 2024 –** agreed with no issues arising
ii. **To note receipt of budget monitoring at 30th April 2024 –** agreed with no issues arising
iii. **To authorise payments –** all payments authorised, and future payments will be made online with authorisations made by Cllrs Callender and Busby.
iv. **To note receipts -** no receipts to note.

9/24 Gardening/Flowers in High Hauxley

It was noted that there are some areas in High Hauxley that need some attention – the clerk to contact Staintons.

10/24 Sea Defences

A meeting has been arranged for the 6th June together with relevant agencies to discuss the sea defences and coastal erosion at Low Hauxley.

11/24 Spring Litter Pick

A litter pick has been arranged for Saturday 18th June following the Annual Parish Meeting.

12/24 Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Saturday 18th June at 10:30 am in the Village Hall.

13/24 Field Fencing

Complaints have been made about the new fence at Beacon Hill Farm as it has injured at least 3 deer. The clerk will raise this with NCC.

14/24 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 15th July at 6:30pm in the Village Hall.