Welton le Wold Parish Meeting – Meeting at

St. Martin's Church at 7.30 pm on Thursday 27th August 2020

MINUTES

Present: Margaret Stubbs (Chairman), Peter J Taylor (Clerk), Amanda Vines (Treasurer), Christopher North, Lesley Smith, Jon Hammond and Alistair W J Kerr.

1) Apologies for Absence:

Andrew West, Richard Fryer, Helena Fryer, Matthew Crorken Smith.

2) To approve the Annual Governance Statement for the year ending 31st March 2020.

This was approved unanimously, proposed by Alistair Kerr and seconded by Jon Hammond.

3) To approve the Summary Accounting Statement for the year ending 31st March 2020.

This was approved unanimously, proposed by Christopher North and seconded by Alistair Kerr.

4) To apply for exemption from external audit for the year ending 31st March 2020 on the grounds that the Parish Meeting's annual turnover was less than £25,000.

This was approved unanimously, proposed by Christopher North and seconded by Alistair Kerr. The Clerk is to send the Certificate of Exemption to the external auditors.

Action: Clerk

5) Any other urgent business.

a) Christopher North informed the meeting about a section of stream that is devoid of gravel in its bed, where the stream approaches St Martin's Close. As a chalk stream needs gravel in order to flow properly, he suggested that the Parish Meeting pay for some to be delivered. This was agreed, assuming the cost is reasonable.

Action: Christopher North

b) Lesley Smith reported that Ian Ward had kept verges well trimmed this summer, by cutting the grass well beyond the extent of his own land, and suggested payment of an honorarium. Last year he was paid £150, and it was agreed to pay him the same.

Action: A cheque was signed, to be delivered by Clerk

- c) Peter Taylor had received notification from Jennifer Brown that she was unable to do much cutting this year, and wishes to forego any payment. Peter had thanked her for her honesty.
- d) The Treasurer pointed out that she only has two cheques left, and no replacement chequebook has been delivered. She remains unable to gain access online to the Barclays account because they did not fully expedite her appointment as the main account holder in 2018. The Clerk agreed to investigate and try to order a cheque book. **Action: Clerk**