

Ainstable Parish Council

Serving the villages of Ainstable, Croglin, Newbiggin, and Ruckcroft,
the communities of Dale and Longdales, and the surrounding farms and houses

Chairman: Howard Bellis
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The Annual Meeting of
Ainstable Parish Council held at Croglin Village Hall at 7:30pm on Tuesday 24th May 2022.

PRESENT: Cllr Vear, Cllr G Proud, Cllr Robinson, Cllr Jackson, Cllr H Proud, Cllr Bradshaw, Cllr Bellis, Cllr Sproat

IN ATTENDANCE: 3 members of the public

Minutes

1. Cllr Vear indicated he was happy to continue as Chairman. A proposal was made that Cllr Bellis be considered for Chairman. This was seconded and a vote was taken. It was resolved that Cllr Bellis take the chair.
2. **RESOLVED:** that Cllr H Proud would serve as acting Clerk for the duration of the meetings held on this date. It was noted that she would retain her right to vote on agenda items as a Parish Councillor.
3. The acting Clerk received Cllr Bellis' signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
4. **RESOLVED:** to elect Cllr H Proud as Vice Chairman for Council Year 2022/23.
5. **RESOLVED:** to accept apologies for absence and the reasons given from Cllr Smith and Cllr Little. An apology from Cllr Robinson received advising that she would be arriving after the start of the meeting as she was also attending an EDC meeting before the parish council. Apologies were also received from County Cllr Driver.

Cllr Robinson joined the meeting.

6. Mrs Lindsay Wise stood up and gave a presentation to the Parish Councillors as to why she would like to be co-opted to the vacant position as Parish Councillor for the Croglin/Newbiggin ward of Ainstable Parish Council.
RESOLVED: that Lyndsay Wise be co-opted onto the council. At this point Cllr Wise joined the meeting as a Parish Councillor and her Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed and received by the acting Clerk.
7. No amendments to the Register of Members interests were received. Cllr Wise will obtain the relevant form from the Clerk and complete it as a newly elected Councillor.
8. Cllr Robinson pointed out that Ainstable Parish Council has Councillors who are seconded to particular projects/interests of the parish council. These were reviewed and everyone concerned was happy to continue. Broadband - Cllr Bellis. Holm Holt project - Cllr Bradshaw, Cllr Vear, Cllr Bellis. Newbiggin Educational Trust – Cllr Robinson. Tourism – in his absence, it was hoped that Cllr Smith will be happy to continue.
9. **RESOLVED:** To appoint Cllr H Proud to examine and sign the quarterly bank reconciliations.
10. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the draft Standing Orders and Procedures
11. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the draft Financial Regulations
12. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the draft Risk Assessment

13. **RESOLVED:** To accept the Asset Register as a true record
14. **RESOLVED:** to accept the internally audited accounts for the financial year 2021/22.
15. **RESOLVED:** To approve the Annual Governance Statement for the financial year 2021/22.
16. **RESOLVED:** To approve the Accounting Statements for the financial year 2021/22.

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