

ASKRIGG AND LOW ABBOTSDIE PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND PARISH ASSEMBLY

Wednesday 15th May 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall

Parish Assembly Meeting

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed members of the public.

Annual Parish Meeting

1. Apologies for absence – Cllr A Kirkbride and Cllr Y Peacock
2. The Minutes from the previous Annual Parish Meeting and Parish Assembly held on the 17th May 2018 were agreed as a true record.

3. Chairman's review

Cllr Fawcett addressed the meeting by saying he thought the Village continued to thrive'. Planning had been approved for the Askrigg Foundation Building and the building had now been emptied. Part of the old Carrs Billington site had been approved for use as a storage facility.

4. Annual Governance Statement 2018/19

Askrigg and Low Abbotside Parish Council is exempt from external audit for the year 2018/19 as its annual turn-over does not exceed £25,000 The Certificate of Exemption has been signed and sent to PKF Littlejohn LLP.

The Annual Internal Audit Report had been carried out by James Carter Associates and the contents were noted.

The Parish Council approve Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2018/19 for Askrigg and Low Abbotside Parish Council.

5. Accounting Statements 2018/19

Askrigg & Low Abbotside Parish Council approve Section 2 Accounting Statements 2018/19 for Askrigg & Low Abbotside Parish Council. The documents were signed accordingly.

In accordance with the Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015, and Transparency Code for small authorities, Askrigg & Low Abbotside will publish all documents on the website.

6. Reports

- Low Abbotside – nothing to report
- Village Hall – Public Toilet is now open and work continues to raise monies for the refurbishment of the Hall. Bookings remain the same as last year.
- Almshouses – The two properties had been re-wired and a new heating system installed. The next stage of work is to replace the windows, but the buildings are listed.
- Cemetery –It was noted there was a problem with rabbits
- Low Mill – a meeting had been rescheduled to discuss the future of Low Mill.

7. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

It was proposed and seconded that Cllr Fawcett would remain the Chairman with Cllr Hodgson proposed and seconded as Vice Chairman both for a third term of office.

8. Election of Committee Members

Cemetery – Cllrs B Fawcett, D. Teasdale & D Scarr

Low Mill – Cllrs G Kirkbride and A Kirkbride

Village Hall – Cllrs J Hodgson

Almshouses – Cllr B Fawcett

9. Questions or issues from members of the public

None raised.