Minutes of Carlton Town Annual Parish Assembly held on 7th March 2024

Members of the Parish Council

Howard Thomas, Chairman	Littleside (☎ 640689)
Peter Dinsdale, Vice Chairman	Town Foot (☎ 640480)
Raymond Brown	Park View (☎ 640409)
David Suttill	Lane House (☎ 640380)
Dinah Alonso-Wilkes	High Barn (☎ 640566)
Marina Briggs, Clerk	Quaker's Garth (☎ 640058)

The meeting was held in the Coverdale Memorial Hall Annexe and started at 7.30pm.

Those present

Members of the Council present were Chairman Howard Thomas, Vice Chairman Peter Dinsdale, Councillor Raymond Brown and Councillor David Suttill. Jenny Walker from the Water Committee, Andy Morson and Martyn Whistler from the Yorkshire Water Sub Committee also attended the meeting with four other members of the community.

1)To approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly held on 9th March 2023

The minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman Howard Thomas.

2)Annual Parish Land lettings

Applications were invited from all interested parties via the parish notice board and letters to existing tenants on the 22nd February 2024 with a deadline for applications being Wednesday 6th March 2024.

The council lands are let on the basis that they cannot be sub-let, no horses can be grazed on the Bull Park or Melbecks and thistles need to be cut before they go to seed on the Bull Park. Tenants are responsible for the upkeep of the boundaries of each parcel of land and fallen stock must be removed in a timely manner.

The following applications were received by the Clerk:
Land adjacent to Beech Cottage – One application from Reverend Kirkman – this is therefore let at an annual cost of £30.
Melbecks – One application by Mr Ronnie Suttill – this is therefore let at an annual cost of £60.
Bull Park – One application by Sir Gary Verity – this is therefore let at an annual cost of £200.

RESOLVED: The Parish Clerk will send letters to the tenants accordingly.

3)Chairman's report

The Chairman read his report which is attached.

4)End of year financial report (subject to change up to 31st March 2024)

The Parish Clerk presented the attached end of year financial report up to 29th February 2024 and clarified that this was subject to change up to 31st March 2024. The final financial report will be printed on to the back of the June newsletter.

5)Public questions, comments or representations

A member of the community commented that the parking in the village was becoming a serious issue for larger vehicles trying to get through. A farmer further up the dale was in danger of no longer receiving fertiliser deliveries as the lorry was unable to pass through Carlton.

RESOLVED: Cllr Thomas is to speak to the residents near Littleside where the problem seems to be the most significant.

The Assembly closed at 7.45pm and was followed by the Parish Council Meeting.

CARLTON TOWN PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2023/24

(Subject to change up to 31st March 2024)

RECEIPTS	2023/24	2022/23	2021/22
Precept	20,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Bank interest	568.08	163.38	3.78
Rent	290.00	245.00	245.00
Water contributions	3,417.50	2,923.00	2,238.00
Water repairs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wayleaves	11.48	0.00	5.74
VAT	1,006.49	885.43	1,637.73
Grass Cutting Payment	30.79	28.74	28.74
Donations	0.00	75.00	0.00
Grants	0.00	923.25	0.00
Total receipts	**£25,324.34**	**£20,243.80**	**£19,158.99**

PAYMENTS			
Administration	396.46	927.97	545.77
Clerk Salary	4,040.40	4,040.40	3,196.70
Insurance	593.30	524.16	516.02
Charity / Donations (s137)	0.00	200.00	150.00
Open spaces	605.95	1,092.40	300.77
Precept refunds	925.42	689.57	676.39
Water plant costs	3,307.24	5,384.12	8,831.50
Water repairs	0.00	2,745.00	0.00
VAT	407.70	1,458.18	1,612.79
Total payments	**£10,276.47**	**£17,061.80**	**£15,829.94**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS SUMMARY			
Funds brought forward	35,942.79	32,760.79	29,431.74
Receipts added	25,324.34	20,243.80	19,158.99
Less payments	10,276.47	17,061.80	15,829.94
Balance carried forward on 31st March	**£50,990.66**	**£35,942.79**	**£32,760.79**

Date Chairman