

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Proceedings of an Extraordinary Meeting of

Preston Parish Council

held at the Preston Community Hall, Main Street, Preston

27 March 2023

Present: Councillor I Ireland in the Chair
Councillors: K Baylis, G Catterick, T Hodge, S Hope, Mrs B Mendham, T Pank, Ms L West

Clerk: Kim Gray, Parish Clerk (interim), Mr B Brooks (Internal Auditor)

240323. Apologies for Absence
Apologies were received from Cllrs: G Bell, G Hunter and S Precious.

Resolved: that apologies were accepted

250323. Declaration of Interests
3.1 It was agreed that any declaration of interest be dealt with at the time the relevant item was discussed. None declared.
3.2 There were no dispensations to be noted. None

260323. To approve and sign the Accounting Statement 2019/20 and Section 2 of the Annual Return

Resolved: that the Summary Payment and Receipt Schedule and Section 2 of the Annual Return 2019/20 were approved, and the Chairman and the Clerk were authorised to sign the documents.

270323. To receive the Annual Internal Audit Report 2019/2020 (Section 2 of the Annual Return)

The Internal Auditor reported on the financial and governance arrangements, noting that a more robust system was required to address the matters in the report.

Resolved: that the Internal Auditor's report was noted: it was noted that there was significant work to be undertaken to address the issues and the Clerk/RFO would work through the points raised.

280323. To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement 2019/20 (Section 1 of the Annual Return)

Members went through the Annual Governance Statement 2019/20, copies of which had been previously circulated.

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Resolved: that the Annual Governance Statement was approved, and the Chairman and the Clerk were authorised to sign the Statement

290323. To approve and sign the Accounting Statement 2020/21 and Section 2 of the Annual Return

Resolved: that the Summary Payment and Receipt Schedule and Section 2 of the Annual Return 2020/21 were approved, and the Chairman and the Clerk were authorised to sign the documents.

300323. To receive the Annual Internal Audit Report 2020/2021 (Section 2 of the Annual Return)

The Internal Auditor reported on the current financial and governance arrangements, noting that a more robust system was required to address the matters in the report.

Resolved: that the Internal Auditor's report was noted: it was noted that there was significant work to be undertaken to address the issues and the Clerk/RFO would work through the points raised.

310323. To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 (Section 1 of the Annual Return)

Members went through the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21, copies of which had been previously circulated.

Resolved: that the Annual Governance Statement was approved, and the Chairman and the Clerk were authorised to sign the Statement

320323. To approve and sign the Accounting Statement 2021/22 and Section 2 of the Annual Return

Resolved: that the Summary Payment and Receipt Schedule and Section 2 of the Annual Return 2021/22 were approved, and the Chairman and the Clerk were authorised to sign the documents.

330323. To receive the Annual Internal Audit Report 2021/2022 (Section 2 of the Annual Return)

The Internal Auditor reported on the current financial and governance arrangements, noting that a more robust system was required to address the matters in the report.

Resolved: that the Internal Auditor's report was noted: it was noted that there was significant work to be undertaken to address the issues and the Clerk/RFO would work through the points raised.

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340323. To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement 2021/22 (Section 1 of the Annual Return)

Members went through the Annual Governance Statement 2021/22, copies of which had been previously circulated.

Resolved: that the Annual Governance Statement was Statement. and the Chairman and the Clerk were authorised to sign the Statement.

350323. Members' points of information and items for the next agenda

Chairman _____