

Chairman's Statement – Accounting Documents Publication

At the parish meeting of Tuesday 23rd May 2022, the following documents were considered and approved by those present (please see below). Further to their approval, the same documents have been displayed in the village notice board along with a copy of the Notice of the Exercise of Public Rights and a copy of the draft minutes of the meeting of 23rd May 2022. I can confirm that a copy of all the aforementioned documents have been available from 24th May 2022 and up to 29th July 2022 – the period of public inspection of the accounting documents for the Parish Meeting.

The Declaration of no accounts and Certificate of Exemption – AGAR Part 1PM, the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/2021 – AGAR Part 2PM and the minutes of the 23rd May 2022 (approving these documents) have all been posted on the High Hoyland Parish Meeting web page on the Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council website in respect of the annual accounting period 2021/2022.

1. “Declaration of no accounts and Certificate of Exemption” – AGAR Part 1PM,

“To be completed by all Parish Meetings that are able to declare that they had no financial transactions in the year of account 2021/2022 and can certify themselves exempt from a limited assurance review.” This was approved by High Hoyland Parish Meeting on 23rd May 2022 and returned to the external auditor PKF Littlejohn LLP, 15 Westferry Circus, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4HD.

2. Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/2022 Part 2PM

Which is made up of -

The Annual Internal Audit Report (page 4), completed by the Parish Meeting's internal auditor

Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement (page 5) to be completed and approved by the Parish Meeting

Section 2 – Accounting Statements (page 6) to be completed and approved by the Parish Meeting

It is not necessary for the Parish Meeting to complete these last 3 documents, but the Chair, Internal Auditor and Clerk have held the opinion that all steps available should be taken to ensure that the Parish Meeting is operating in a proper, lawful manner. Producing these 3 documents forms part of the assurance that the obligations and assessment of Internal Controls are being met. It should be noted that the virtual signatures were authorised by the Chair and Internal Auditor for the purpose of completion of the electronic version of the aforementioned documents, and inclusion on the Parish Meeting webpage of Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's website.

David J Roberts
High Hoyland Parish Chair

Date