

CLOUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

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ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF CLOUGHTON PARISH

**Tuesday 3rd May 2023 at 7pm
In St. Mary's Church Hall**

PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

AGENDA

- 1 Election of Chairman (only if Parish Council Chairman not present)
- 2 Apologies for absence
- 3 To approve Minutes of 2022 Parish Assembly [*already confirmed as an accurate record at Parish Council meeting of 6th June 2022, minute 43/22a) refers*].
- 5 Annual Report by Chairman of Parish Council.
- 6 Any other reports as available.
- 7 Any matters (related to the parish) which parishioners wish to raise.

P. Couch

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Chairman of Cloughton Parish Council
24th April 2023

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF CLOUGHTON PARISH HELD IN ST. MARY'S
CHURCH HALL ON 16th MAY 2022 AT 7.00PM**

Present & able to vote as on electoral roll for parish:

Cllr. P Couch (Chairman of Cloughton Parish Council)
D Baker, M Brooks, D Ford, S Staveley

In attendance but unable to vote as not on electoral roll for parish:

M. Kitching, D Bastiman (from 7.09pm), Mrs J Marley – Clerk to the Parish Council
(minute taker)

A1/22 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN – Not necessary as Chairman of the Parish Council present.

A2/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – **Received** from D. Readman (prior commitment).

A3/22 MINUTES
Having been previously circulated, the minutes of the Annual Assembly of 3rd May 2021, having been confirmed as accurate at a Parish Council meeting held on 6th September 2021, Minute 42/21 refers, were **approved**.

A4/22 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
A written report had been submitted by Cllr. Couch. Coronavirus continues but most restrictions have been lifted and things are getting back to some kind of normality. The playground has finally been re-developed and is proving extremely popular. The Christmas Lights Competition had again proved popular. The annual village pantomime had been well attended.

A5/22 OTHER REPORTS
Burniston & Cloughton Village Hall Maria Kitching outlined some of the work which had been done to improve the hall and surroundings – the bridges were all to be replaced, 400 trees had been planted, an outdoor table tennis table, new seating and picnic benches had been installed, two of the tennis courts were to be renovated and the third was to become a multi-use games (this work to take place in the next year). Phase 3 was a skatepark and fundraising was going ahead for that. A Youth Club has begun once more – Thursdays this time. There was to be a Jubilee Fun Day on 19th June area at which a tree in memory of Michael Pitts (Committee Chairman for many years) was to be planted.

A6/22 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM
No matters raised.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.20 pm.

Paul Couch, Parish Council Chairman
8th May 2023

Parish Council Chairman's Annual Report for Cloughton Parish Assembly of 2023

Good evening and I would like to welcome all to the 2023 Annual Assembly for the parish of Cloughton.

The Parish Council is looking forward to seeing how the transition to the new unitary council for North Yorkshire is going to work and by working together to bring a smooth implementation for a better Yorkshire for everyone.

The Parish Council has been seeing small amounts of vandalism in and around the parish of late but with the diligence of council and parishioners in keeping an eye out and reporting these incidents we shall hopefully see an end to it.

The winter months have been very cold and icy this year which has been very difficult for us all in moving about and cost, but with the warmer weather coming the older generations and people of the village helping others will be able to move around more easily.

The Christmas Lights Competition for December 2022 was discussed at great length in our meetings and it was agreed that Parish Council would not be holding a competition due to the high cost of living and the pressure it could have on households, but the village did us all proud with more lights and decorations up making the spirit of Christmas for visitors and locals of our parish more pleasurable I would like to thank everyone for their hard work in making the village a welcoming sight and look forward to this year's lights and cheer.

The village pantomime was very well attended where much fun and laughter was had with each performance, making all the hard work of rehearsals all worthwhile. I would like to take this opportunity thank everyone who was involved in making the Panto a very instrumental part of village life in bringing all generations together and look forward to the next one.

PC Bilton and PCSO Ria Lockey have had a very busy time in the rural area which Cloughton is part of. Thankfully our area has been quiet due to their diligence and hard work in and around the parish. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them and look forward to seeing more of them in the village this year dealing with any problems that may arise.

The Duchy of Lancaster has been busy in the village renovating their properties and upgrading others to a high standard – no doubt the Duchy will be very busy this year with His Majesty's Coronation. There will be Coronation celebrations in Cloughton and also in Burniston to celebrate this historic event.

The Village playground has been completed with new play equipment and safety surfaces installed and has been greatly appreciated by parishioner's children and friends alike already enjoying the new playground. The Parish Council is striving for a safe and fun environment for all ages to play and enjoy the area.

Planning matters have been a busy affair this year with people making the most of renovating their homes and enjoying the village's rural views, House sales have now started to rise and new people appreciating the vistas we all enjoy.

And finally as Chairman of Cloughton Parish Council I would like to thank all Councillors and Clerk for their hard work, support, and guidance on issues in and around the Parish which has been a great help throughout the year. Thank you one and all.

Paul Couch,
Chairman Cloughton Parish Council

2nd May 2023