

**Minutes of the Sedbergh Annual Meeting of the Parish**  
**People's Hall, Sedbergh, on Thursday 9th May 2019 at 7.30 pm**

**In attendance - Cllrs Lancaster (Chair), Sedgwick, Arnold, Brooks, Capstick, Cowperthwaite, Welti, Saunders, McPherson and Longlands.**

**District Cllr Suzie Pye was present, there were no Members of the Public.**

1. Apologies for absence  
Received from Cllr Bromley
2. Minutes of 2018 Annual Meeting of the Parish  
The Minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair, Cllr Lancaster.
3. Chairman's Report for 2018/2019  
The attached Report had been circulated to Members, for their full reference. Thanks were noted for the comprehensive report and it was agreed that a shortened version be submitted for inclusion in the Lookaround.
4. To receive the Draft Accounts for 2018/19  
The Clerk presented the attached draft accounts to the meeting. It was noted that there had been a significant increase in income and expenditure due to Projects that came to fruition in 2018/2019 – including the Tennis Courts and Maryfell play park. There was also substantial cost at Queen's Garden to repair the retaining wall at The Bowling Green. Reserves were being maintained for future resurfacing works at the car parks, alongside a sinking fund for the Tennis Courts and monies for other potential projects – including the consideration of an Electric Car charging point and hopes to reconnect water to Jubilee Drinking Fountain. Works were also planned to fell trees at Queen's Garden and the playing field following the Tree Safety Inspection report in 2018.  
The Period for the Exercise of Public Rights for the Annual Governance and Review for, Accounts for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 will be published following approval by Members at their meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and will be available 17 June 2019 to 26 July 2019.
5. Updates on projects/schemes  
Members noted that most projects and schemes both current and planned were included within the Chairman's Report. In addition, it was noted that the playground at Maryfell was anticipated to be complete for the beginning of June 2019 and an opening ceremony would be confirmed in due course.
6. Forum  
Whilst no Members of the Public were present, the clerk had been asked to raise the following
  - Queen's Garden - could Sedbergh Parish Council consider adding sculptures at the Garden. The question inspired by the addition of two Owl carvings to a felled tree (opposite the Gardens). Members welcomed the idea and hope to consider further within the Queen's Garden Committee.
7. Any other business - none

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm