Draft Minutes of Westlinton Parish Council held in Blackford School onTuesday 22nd march 2022 at 7pm

1. Apologies: Helen Forrester
2. Present: David Coulthard, John Wharton, Fiona Kay, Ian Hewson, Alex Forbes, Stephen Nicholson, John Mallinson and the clerk. DC welcomed John Mallinson from the city council.
3. Declaration of Interests: none
4. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising: Minutes accepted. Alan Harty is willing to join the council and will come to the next meeting in May. Will ask planning officer to come to us.
5. Accounts: These are very healthy and we must encourage people to come forward to apply for wind farm money.
Cheques were authorized for repairs to playground £583-97 and clerk’s wages £550. JW asked the clerk if this amount was still sufficient and she affirmed that it was.
6. Queen’s Jubilee: JW said that as a result of the meeting on 20th the community felt that it was best to go for 1 day, the Sunday for a celebration. The event will take place in the school grounds and use the school facilities. The clerk will handle the risk assessment and insurance and will liaise with the school. JW will be in charge overall. A committee has been formed to organize the event and finances have been secured from Eden and Lyne Buzz and windfarm money.JM said that there are also grants available if needed. Closed Facebook page will be set up to advertise the event.
7. Windfarm updates: DC had attended the Hallburn meeting in February but as yet the money allocated has not been confirmed by Grantscape. The area covered has been enlarged to include Scaleby, Nicholforest, Solport and Stapleton. Need to encourage groups from Westlinton to apply to the fund.
8. Planning: Stable block at Meadow View. No objections
 Green Meadows: PC is appalled at what is being allowed there with conditions being removed. JM listened to the councils objections and said he would contact case officer Barbara Percival and look into it. He asked if the clerk could send him a list of the objections.
9. Highways: Pavement has been cleared of verge overgrowth from Old Post Office to Bridge Farm by Balfour Beatty. A great improvement. Clerk had been asked by a resident in Newtown how they could get a pavement from there to the school.JM said the only way to get new pavements would be through a106 payment paid for by a developer.The council does not have money available for this sort of thing because of the enormous cost of creating a pavement and the numbers it would benefit would not be cost effective.
Large pot hole next to Moss House Nursery. Clerk to report it.
Connecting road to Church Crossroad is in poor condition.
Poor condition of Utility manholes on A7.
10. A.O.B. More complaints about bus shelter litter bin obstructing visibility north at junction. PC will look into getting the bin moved to the side of the shelter.

Meeting closed t 8.20pm Next meeting May AGM Tuesday 3rd May at 7pm.