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Minutes of the Annual Parish (APM) meeting of Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council
on 10th May 2022 in Yapham Village Hall at 6.45pm

1. Present: Cllr Arnold, Cllr Bradley (chair), Cllr Newman, Canon Rodney Nicholson Clerk. Apologies from Cllr Jefferson-Hallett, Cllr Gray and Cllr Hammond.
2. Cllr Bradley welcomed everyone to the meeting.
3. The minutes of the APM 2021 were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Newman and seconded by Cllr Arnold.
4. Report from the Village Hall Committee, on behalf of Ken Moverley. Read by the clerk:

"The village hall re-opened its doors for booking back in September 2021 after the Covid lockdown. We were fortunate to have some support via the ERYC council to help keep our finances afloat through Covid. Bookings to start with were quite steady, as we expected they would be, then we had quite a busy November and we were able to host the Christmas get together in early December for residents in the village, this was a lovely occasion and great to get together with other residents again - the village children have certainly grown up. Booking then tailed off again in December and January as Covid cases increased again, since February there have been a number of bookings with several booking regular spots. We are planning to hold a summer BBQ for the local community to help celebrate the jubilee. Thank you."

5. St Martin's Church: Canon Rodney Nicholson attended the meeting to introduce himself in person, as the new contact Priest. Council welcomed him to the parish. The following is a brief introduction, sent by email from Canon Nicholson, prior to the meeting:

"Following the Revd Jan's illness, and subsequent retirement at the end of March, I am acting as Contact Priest for the Barmby Moor group, which includes Yapham. I look forward to meeting as many members of the village(s) as possible, but here is just a little about myself. On retirement from Clitheroe, Lancashire, in 2014 (aged 69), my wife, Kathleen, and I decided to move over here to be near our daughter and to start a new life. The Church of England provided us with a house to rent in Market Weighton. Naturally we joined the church there, but the Pocklington churches had more need of help, so I also joined the ministry team there. I have always appreciated Rev Jan and was happy to assist when she asked me last autumn if I would be the person to whom she could pass on any enquiries, such as over baptisms, weddings and funerals.

I shall have been ordained 50 years by this summer but, fortunately, am blessed with excellent health, so am more than happy to help where I can. A native of Lancaster (my wife from Blackpool), I have served in Blackburn diocese for all my ministry and, whilst I have had my struggles, I am grateful for the friendship and support of many wonderful people in the various parishes. I am hugely enthusiastic for the Church today and see many signs of commitment and new life. It is a joy to be associated with St Martin's, Yapham."

6. Questions and comments from parish residents: None were present.

Meeting closed at 7.05pm