Minutes of the virtual (Zoom) meeting of Worth Parish Council Public Interest Report held on Wednesday 28 April 2021 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT (via Zoom): Cllrs Kennett, (Chair), Parnell, Clarke, Locum Parish Clerk: Two members of the Public.

		Action
1. To receive apologies	Cllr Heard	
2. To receive Declarations of Interest to matters included on the agenda	None.	
3. To resolve that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 07 April are a correct record	Proposed: Cllr Parnell, Seconded: Cllr Clarke Agreed: All	
4. District Councillors and Public Participation	None	
5. Public Interest Report.	Council resolved to (i) Accept that Worth Parish Council did not submit, as required by law, an Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) for the year ending 31 March 2020. Council also agreed that they were wholly unaware of the AGAR processes and procedures and failure to submit an AGAR was due to the failings of the Clerk. Proposed: Cllr Kennett, Seconded: Cllr Clarke. Agreed All (ii) Council resolved that in order to prevent further Public Interest Reports they would, at the monthly meetings ask the Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer (or Locum) to confirm that all accounts work was up to date and complying with statutes and all other accounting obligations. Proposed: Cllr Clarke. Seconded: Cllr Kennett. Agreed: All. The Locum Clerk informed Council that he was working on the 2020/2021 AGAR, but that there was a paucity of information. He would present the incomplete AGAR in June for agreement and submission to the External Auditor. The AGAR would also be fully publicised.	**KL** **KL**
6. Date of next Meeting (via Zoom)	04 May: The Locum Clerk has sent out agendas and Zoom instructions.	**KL**
	The Meeting Closed at 7.55pm	