At the Meeting of Westnewton Parish Council held on 27 May 2021 at 7.30 pm

Present: H McLeod, G. Bell, K Launchbury, M Swanson, R. Beaty, A Keighley and Councillor K Thurlow (new Aspatria Borough Councillor) and J Love (Clerk)

**Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman** – Helen McLeod and Muriel Swanson were re-elected for the forthcoming year.

**St Matthews School** – The Parish Council agreed to pay half the cost of new railings – the full cost being £6.915 + VAT.

**Outreach Group**  - the Parish Council had no objections to the Group starting youth sessions but the matter would be run past the Village Hall Committee.

**Planning –**  the Parish Council had no objections to planning applications for the erection of stables and riding arena, Ghyll House Yearngill and change of use of Old Joinery shop to dwelling.

**Platinum Jubilee** – it was noted the Lord Lieutenant would be writing to parish councils about ‘Plant a tree for the Jubilee’.

**Crookhurst Beck** – Environment Agency would be contacted about the condition of Crookhurst Beck and the boggy playing field near the school would be rectified.

**Election of new councillor**  - Patrice Sanderson would be invited to the next meeting.

**Children throwing vegetation** – it was reported that children had been reported ripping up daffodils and throwing at cars at Violet Bank.

**Millenium tree** – it was noted that the tree was blocking the view for drivers and needs chopping back.

Drain at Yearngill  **-** It was noted that three new gulley grates would be installed by the County Council.