Terrington, Wiganthorpe & Ganthorpe Parish Council Internal Audit Report 2020/2021

I have undertaken the internal audit of Terrington, Wiganthorpe and Ganthorpe Parish Council in line with and to cover the internal controls as listed on page 4 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/21 (AGAR). Due to the pandemic and the difficulty for all councils to meet face-to-face, many of the decisions have had to be made through delegated powers to the Chair and RFO.

However, all accounting processes were properly maintained and bank statements reconciled and signed by councillors. Accounting statements were presented to councillors through the year. All statutory policies required for governance documents were completed, duly authorised and are present on the website.

I recommend the following for best accounting practice: that it is preferable, but not always possible, for cheques to be signed at a council meeting. In any case, the finance item on the agenda of each meeting to include a list of the cheques signed since the previous meeting.

Christine Walker Retired CIMA 4/6/2021