OLD SOMERBY PARISH COUNCIL INTERNAL AUDIT INSPECTION BY NICK CRAFT INTERNAL AUDITOR.

On the 21 October, 2024 I undertook a review of the accounting systems, controls, risk management, governance processes and financial practices of Old Somerby Parish Council. I had regard to my Report dated 13 May 2024. Once again, after a thorough inspection I found them to be sound, safe and reliable.

I noted that the practice continued for the Lead Councillor Finance, Councillor Peter Burrows, to visit the clerk before every Parish Council Meeting to also undertake a check of the accounts and associated files before counter-signing the Financial Statement presented at each Parish Council Meeting. I was informed that Cllr Burrows was due to attend the clerk's office for that purpose on Thursday of this week, 24 October, 2024.

I inspected the Financial Statement which had been prepared for that meeting. It had yet to be signed off by Cllr Burrows. I was able to confirm its accuracy. I have a copy of that statement.

I am available to answer any questions from the Parish Councillors.

(Signature redacted)

Signed.....Nick Craft, Internal Auditor 21 October, 2024

(Signature redacted) Signed..... David J Holmes, Parish Clerk and RFO 21 October, 2024.