

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

On the afternoon of 27 March 2025 I attended at the house of the Parish Clerk to inspect the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025. I found no issues of concern and I considered the financial practices of Old Somerby Parish Council 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 noted that Cllr Burrows had attended the clerk's office for that purpose that morning.

I inspected the Financial Statement which had been prepared for the next Parish Council Meeting. It had been signed off by Cllr Burrows and the Parish Clerk. I was able to confirm its accuracy and countersigned the Financial Statement. I gather a copy will be forwarded to Councillors in advance of the Parish Council Meeting for their perusal.

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

Signed.....Nick Craft, Internal Auditor – 27 March 2025

Signed.....David J Holmes, Parish Clerk and RFO – 27 March 2025