

# Melsonby Parish Council Newsletter

#### **Parish Council**

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# 1 Update of work done

- ❖ Play Parks: An application has been made for a grant from "Awards For All" towards the cost of installing outdoor gym equipment in the Moor Road Play Park.
- Village maintenance: Road markings around the village have now been repainted. The Parish Council are still pursuing repairs to St James Close with North Yorkshire County Council.
- ❖ Speed Calming: The Parish Council has been advised by North Yorkshire County Council that it will not be allowed to install it's own Speed Matrix Signs. The Clerk is investigating the possibility of further speed monitoring with a view to hiring Speed Matrix Signs from NYCC on a rota basis.
- ❖ Telephone Kiosk: Replacement glazing is to be purchased, the kiosk will be repainted prior to the new glass being installed.
- ❖ Dog Fouling: Richmondshire District Council is to provide a new litter bin on Jagger Lane which can also be used for dog waste. Continued vigilance and reporting of dog fouling incidents is essential to catch the culprits. Anyone witnessing dog fouling is requested to report the incident details to the Clerk or Sally Dixon at Richmondshire District Council Street Scene.
- Defibrillator: The defibrillator has been delivered and arrangements are in hand for it to be installed at Central Villas. Once this has been completed a training session will be organised for interested residents. Details will be advertised once confirmed.

# 2 Planning

- Cllr Wilson-Petch has reported that it is not possible to change the Primary Service Village status of Melsonby, which has been agreed by the Government's Planning Inspector as part of Richmondshire District Council's Core Strategy.
- ❖ The proposed application for a new housing development on land off Moor Road at Limegarth has not yet been submitted. Mulberry Homes have confirmed that they are still intending to go ahead with an application but have not indicated a timescale

❖ The Parish Council is investigating the possibility of commissioning an independent survey of the existing sewerage system in preparation for responding to the planning application when it is submitted.

## 3 Information

- Melsonby Parish Village Show will be held at Melsonby School on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August. We believe that this is the 70<sup>th</sup> year a produce show has been held in the village, so please help make this a special one by entering anything you have and coming along to view exhibits. An auction of produce and raffle will follow presentation of trophies. Doors open at 4pm. A programme will be delivered to every household, but can also be downloaded, together with hints and tips from <a href="https://www.melsonbypc.com">www.melsonbypc.com</a>
- ❖ Members of the Sports Day Committee are organising a Family Fun Afternoon on the vllage green on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August from 2pm. Take a picnic and join in the fun.
- ❖ There has been a report of young children climbing in the trees and on the fence around the electricity sub-station on the village green, please can parents take measures to prevent their children from doing this as it causes damage to the trees and could lead to a serious accident.

## 4 Parishioners

❖ Neighbourhood Watch and Ringmaster Schemes: In co-operation with the Police these Schemes are currently operating in Melsonby. The Police send out emails advising of current crime related issues to a co-ordinator who forwards them to residents registered to receive them. A co-ordinator is responsible for approx. 12 houses in their vicinity. Are you interested in joining these schemes or becoming a co-ordinator? If so contact the Clerk for further information and Registration Forms.

# 5 Crime update

- ❖ PC Wilbor attended the Parish Council meeting, crime reported across the District is still low. There have been a couple of incidents in the village: in June a man was living in his vehicle by the village green the police did attend and he has now moved on; on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2 suspicious persons were seen outside the Post Office in the early hours, police attended but no-one was apprehended; on 22<sup>nd</sup> July criminal damage to a car on Moor Road was reported, 3 people were seen but they had gone by the time police attended.
- ❖ Residents are encouraged to report any issues to the Police. Dial 101, press option 2 and ask for PC391 John Wilbor or PCSO3562 Danny Loughran.

The Parish Council would like to thank parishioners for their attendance at Parish Council Meetings and hope that residents continue to support the work of the Parish Council in 2015.

The next Parish Council meeting is on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 at 7.30pm in the School. All are welcome to attend.

The full minutes of the July meeting can be viewed on the Parish website www.melsonbypc.com