

# Melsonby Parish Council Newsletter

### **Parish Council**

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### 1

### Update of work done

- ❖ Dog fouling: Richmondshire District Council are trialling a new scheme to deal with dog fouling. Spray paint will be used to highlight dog mess on grass verges and templates bearing the messages "No Fouling", "Scoop That Poop" and "Pick It Up" will be sprayed on hard surfaces. The spray paint is water based and non-toxic and will last approximately 6 weeks. Three different colours will be used on a monthly rotation to enable the success of the campaign to be measured.
- ❖ Bus shelter: Following a request from a number of residents a bench is to be built in the bus shelter on Aldbrough Road.
- Play park: The Parish Council have secured a grant of £10,000 from the Big Lottery

  Fund "Awards for All" towards the cost of installing outdoor gym equipment in the Moor Road playing field. It is expected that this will be installed early in the New Year.
- ❖ Tidy Gardens Trophy: The Parish Council would like to thank Doug Hird for providing a new trophy for the annual Tidy Gardens Competition. The trophy was presented to Doug who won the 2015 competition and it will be awarded on an annual basis with the winners name engraved.

### 2

### **Planning**

The Parish Council has submitted their response to the planning application from Mulberry Homes to build 45 houses and a village hall on land at Limegarth, west of Moor Road. It is expected that this application will be considered by Richmondshire District Council's Planning Committee in January 2016. Thank you to everyone who provided videos, photos and information about flooding and sewage issues.

# 3 Information

- Christmas Event: Everyone is invited to join in carol singing at the Christmas tree on the village green at 6pm on Christmas Eve. Anyone with a musical instrument is encouraged to come and join in and you are welcome to bring Yuletide refreshments. The tree will be illuminated and children are invited to make a Christmas Lantern and bring it along, Santa will be there to judge the best ones and present a prize.
- ❖ Melsonby The Movie: copies of the Melsonby DVD produced by Ian Black are still available to purchase and for £10 each will make an ideal stocking filler for Christmas. Contact Ian on 01325 718188 to purchase. All proceeds for the St James Church Building Fund.
- Village Hall Committee: The Parish Council are keen to re-instate a Village Hall committee to get involved in fund raising and developing a plan for progressing the provision of a hall. Volunteers are asked to contact the clerk to register their interest.
- Highways Issues: North Yorkshire County Council are promoting the on-line service for reporting problems in the highway such as potholes. Faults can reported on-line at <a href="http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/28237/Report-it-online">http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/28237/Report-it-online</a>. To find out about planned roadworks nationally visit the website <a href="https://roadworks.org">https://roadworks.org</a>

### 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 and PCSO Danny Loughran were unable to attend the Parish Council meeting but provided a crime report for November. There had been one crime reported in Melsonby when a grey Landrover Defender was stolen from High Row on 9/11/15.
- ❖ 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 wish parishioners a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and hope that residents continue to support the work of the Parish Council in 2016.

The next Parish Council meeting is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 7.30pm in the School. All are welcome to attend.

The full minutes of the November meeting can be viewed on the Parish website <a href="https://www.melsonbypc.com">www.melsonbypc.com</a>