

Melsonby Parish Council Newsletter

Parish Council

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1 Update of work done

- The rennovations of the Telephone kiosk have now been completed, it has been repainted by volunteers and new glass installed. The Parish Council would like to thank all volunteers who have assisted in this project and also the regular group of volunteers who maintain the planters around the village and help with village maintenance projects. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.
- ❖ The footpath and verge repairs in St James Close have now been completed by North Yorkshire County Council.
- ❖ A survey of the trees on the Village Green has been completed.
- The new Allotments lease has been signed and the period of the lease has been extended from three to five years.

2 Planning

❖ The planning application from Mulberry Homes to build 45 houses and a village hall on land at Limegarth, west of Moor Road has now been submitted to Richmondshire District Council. The Parish Council will be holding a public meeting on Wednesday 14th October 2015 at St James the Great Church, Melsonby at 7.30pm to discuss the proposed response to the plans. Residents are invited to attend to see the plans and there will be an opportunity for members of the public to make any additional comments for consideration. If any resident has evidence of previous problems with flooding; sewerage issues; highways issues which they would allow the Parish Council to use in response to the proposal please bring them to the meeting or pass them to a member of

the Parish Council or the Clerk. This includes photographs; letters; emails; log of reported issues relating to flooding or sewage problems.

3 Information

- ❖ After many successful years of running the Toddler Group, Catherine Jackson has 'moved on' as her children are in school or nursery. The Group of babies and preschool children and their mums or carers meets in the school on Tuesday mornings and are keen to welcome new members. They now need a volunteer to set out the toys, supervise refreshments and activities. Could this be you? You do not need to have eligible children, just an interest in this age group. If you can help please contact Melsonby School 718318.
- ❖ The stock of books in the library at the Church was changed over on 12th September. The next changeover day will be 3rd December. The Church is open daily between 8am-6pm. If you need access at other times please ring Judith Stansfield on 01325 718139. The library is run by a dedicated team of volunteers and is a vital service for some people, please support it as much as possible.

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 attended the Parish Council meeting, crime reported across the District is still low. There had been two incidents involving suspected poachers in the vicinity but no-one was apprehended. There have been a number of burglaries in rural areas including one in Melsonby which are under investigation. These seem to have occurred when residents were away on holiday. Please be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the police.
- ❖ 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 18th November 2015 at 7.30pm in the School. All are welcome to attend.

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