

# Melsonby Parish Council

## Parish Council

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## Parish Council Updates

- ❖ **Speeding:** The Community Speed Watch volunteers have been unable to operate since the clocks changed as they can only work in daylight and volunteers are unavailable due to work commitments. Attempts are being made to organise some sessions but if anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Stuart Priestley by email at [stuart.priestley@gmail.com](mailto:stuart.priestley@gmail.com) or telephone 07795 373986.
- ❖ **Village green tree:** An application is to be submitted to Richmondshire District Council to remove one of the sycamore trees on the village green next to Church Row.
- ❖ **Precept:** The precept for 2018/19 will increase to £9400 to cover increasing costs and planned maintenance projects.
- ❖ **Play Parks:** The annual inspection of the village play parks will be carried out by The Play Inspection Company within the next few weeks.
- ❖ **Donations:** The Parish Council has made donations of £50 each to the Great North Air Ambulance and the Citizens Advice Bureau. The anonymous donor who kindly gave £750 to the Village Hall account last year has requested that the money be transferred to the Church "Flush Fund" instead as there is currently no likelihood of the village hall project moving forward in the foreseeable future. A bank transfer is being arranged.



### *Melsonby Christmas Carol Service*

*It is back - bigger and better*

*Come and join us for a festive singalong - there will be:  
Festive Lights; A warming drink and nibbles; Musicians  
and Singers; Children's Lantern Competition; Live Music  
and Lyrics*

*Date: 24th December 2017*

*Time: 17:30 to 18:30*

*At: St James the Great Church*

*All proceeds going to the St James Church Flush Fund*

Please note the time is 5.30-6.30pm and not as advertised in The Parish magazine.

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## Planning

- ❖ No new planning applications have been received since the last meeting. There is currently no further information regarding the proposed development at Limegarth.

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## Information

- ❖ **Parish Council Resignation:** Elaine Harrison has resigned from the Parish Council, the Parish Council would like to thank her for everything she has done. Co-option of a new Parish Councillor will be discussed at the next meeting in January 2018.
- ❖ **Outreach Postal Service:** The postal service will be in the Church every Friday from 10am – 12 noon. There will be no service on 15<sup>th</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup> December but it will resume on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018.
- ❖ **Community Messaging Service:** North Yorkshire Community messaging is a free community messaging system for North Yorkshire that allows you to register to receive the latest crime notifications and community news happening in your local neighbourhood. Updates can be received by email, text or mobile app. <https://www.northyorkshirecommunitymessaging.org>

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## Parishioners

- ❖ **Litter and dog waste bins:** Dog waste can be disposed of in any litter bin in the village. If a bin is full please take it to another bin or take it home and put it in your own black bin. Please do not leave bags of dog waste on top of bins or hanging in trees and bushes along footpaths.
- ❖ **Wheels-2-Work Scheme:** Wheels 2 Work (a not for profit charity) has a fleet of mopeds for loan. Since its launch in 2001 hundreds of local people have benefitted from the scheme. Successful candidates receive a moped, safety equipment, insurance, tax and bike servicing for a small weekly contribution. To be eligible for the scheme you must: Live in North Yorkshire; be 16 or over; have no suitable transport to travel to work, training or education; hold a provisional licence. For more information and to apply online, visit [www.hambletoncommunityaction.org](http://www.hambletoncommunityaction.org) or telephone Andy Reddick 01609 780458 Ext 209.

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## Crime update

- ❖ There had been only one report of an attempted theft at the quarry which is under investigation. Residents are reminded to keep doors and windows locked and report any suspicious behaviour to the police as soon as possible.
- ❖ The Border Watch scheme is currently looking for volunteers to take part in patrols around our rural area. Please contact PC Mark Wood for further information and to volunteer.
- ❖ Residents are encouraged to report any issues to the Police. Dial 101, press option 2 and ask for PC 1908 Mark Wood or PCSO 5073 Helen Sutherland.

**The Parish Council would like to wish parishioners a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you to parishioners for their attendance at Parish Council Meetings and we hope that residents continue to support the work of the Parish Council in 2018.**

**The next Parish Council meeting is on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018 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 [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com)**