

MELSONBY 2019 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Held on Wednesday 23rd May 2019, at 7.00pm in Melsonby Primary School

Present: Cllr Judith Stansfield (Chair), Cllr Vince Elrington (Vice Chairman), Cllr David Dixon, Cllr Stuart Priestley, Cllr William Nixon, Cllr Terry Sutton, Jenny Pears (clerk) District Cllr J Wilson-Petch and residents

1. Minutes of the last meeting held on 23rd May 2018:

The Minutes of the last Meeting were agreed and signed.

2. Annual report from the Parish Council:

JS gave an update of work done by the Parish Council in the past year including

- The Village Green has been registered to protect its status. The village green has been allocated the number VG 238.
- Community Speed Watch has been active and a new Speed watch coordinator has taken over the co-ordination of the scheme.
- The sculptured sycamore tree on the village green has become a memorial tree. Anyone who lives or has lived in Melsonby may place a plaque on the tree.
- Clearance work has been carried out at the well on East Road.
- An outreach postal service is operating in the Church every Friday morning.
- A donation of £50 was given to the Great North Air Ambulance.
- A successful Christmas Carol event was held in the Church to raise funds for the Church "Flush Fund".
- Work on updating the Emergency Plan is ongoing.
- The Parish Plan has been updated.
- The precept for 2019/20 was increased to £9870.
- A revised information booklet was produced, printed and delivered to all households in Melsonby.
- New goal posts and nets have been purchased and erected at Moor Road Play Park.
- The telephone kiosk has been renovated including; repainted and new glazing and sign installed.
- The grass cutting contract for 2019/20 was awarded to GCH Garden Maintenance who will cut the grass and hedges in the 3 play parks as well as the village green, new burial ground and verges.
- Richmondshire District Council continue to conduct weekly inspections of the 3 play parks and an Annual Inspection was carried out by the Play Inspection Company in December; no major issues were identified.

3. Update of the Strategic Parish Plan:

- Progress on the plan was updated, copy attached.
- DD agreed it was not financially viable to proceed with the provision of a MUGA pitch.
- Provision of a footpath through the old church yard to the new burial ground is being actioned by DD.
- A survey has been completed and DD will meet with Graham Smith to progress this.
- District Cllr Wilson-Petch advised that the proposed Moor Road development is still going ahead however with a new developer.
- TS confirmed work on updating the Emergency Plan is on-going.

4. Update on Play Parks:

The Moor Road play park football posts and nets have been replaced and are now erected.

5. Annual Parish Show:

The Annual Parish show is being held on 17th August 2019. There will be a slight revision in the classes this year.

6. Any other business:

JS and residents shared their concerns regarding the Hodgsons bus route. Can the Parish Council look into why the route has changed and is inconsistent? Some residents are unable to access the service with these inconsistencies and the changed bus route is a health and safety concern. The service isn't accessible to everyone including the elderly and disabled. They also shared concerns on the LWB Service - this too has changed and is inconsistent. JWP and Clerk will speak with LWB and contact Hodgsons.

Clerk will speak with County Cllr A Thompson (AT) regarding Speed Watch Signs for the village.

7. Questions from residents:

No questions were asked.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Signed by..... this.....day of May, 2019