

# Melsonby Parish Council

## Parish Council

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## February Newsletter 2020/21

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## Parish Council Updates

**Sewage and surface water flooding in the village:** Northumbrian Water are carrying out a full CCTV survey of the system. There is debris and silt in the pipes and a full cleanse of the system will be completed enabling for a full CCTV survey to be completed. Northumbrian Water have confirmed they will report in full to the Parish Council by Mid April 21.

**A1 Highways on site meeting:** Cllrs met with Area 1 Highways on 18<sup>th</sup> December 20 onsite at the Limegarth entrance to discuss a number of issues including flooding, road remedial work and repairs. The following work has been completed. 1 - Clear the drain outside no 8 Moor Road to allow for better water clearance in that area, 2 - Clear the blocked culvert under the road at the ford to allow more water flow under the road and reduce the surface water issues, 3 - Remedial repairs to the road surface around the ford area.

**Road Safety Campaign, Keep Melsonby Safe:** The Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) on Moor Road is operating successfully. This month, it will be turned round again to face incoming traffic.

**Road Safety, white line road markings:** The Parish Council have contacted Highways as some of the road markings have not been renewed. Highways are aware this is a task to be completed but have noted caution that the road marking work has a high failure rate if carried out in the winter months so it may be before the turn of the year that this work is completed.

**Speeding:** Community Speed Watch has been on hold due to lockdown. The scheme is currently operating in the village by a very small group of volunteers. It runs once or twice a week, catching 3-4 speeders, but could be more frequently if they had **more volunteers**. To get involved and support the scheme please email Jenny Pears - Clerk.

**Bags 2 School, a fund raising initiative for Melsonby Parish School:** Please can everyone support this initiative by bagging and bringing any unwanted clothes to the school before 9am Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

**Thank you to Ken Hall** for the voluntary work upkeeping the flower boxes over the last 5 years. The planters always look brilliant and are a welcoming sight as you enter the village. If anyone would like to take over this role please get in touch with the Clerk.

**Glebe Court:** Cllr T Sutton and the Parish Council have been successful in securing a grant of £1000 from North Richmondshire Community Partnership (NRCP). The project is to develop a community garden within Glebe Court. This grant will be matched funded by the Parish Council as part of the project. Cllr Sutton has asked residents of Glebe Court to respond via questionnaire with development suggestions and ideas.

**Memorial Tree:** The carved tree is situated on the village green. Anyone who lives or has lived in Melsonby may place a plaque on the tree, in memory of a relative or friend who has had connections with the village. The application and full criteria is available to view and download on the Melsonby Parish Council Website [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com). Please contact the Clerk and seek approval before ordering your plaque.

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## Planning

The full planning application received for the Limegarth, Moor Road development site remains in consideration. In September 2020 the Parish Council responded to the application and agreed the application should remain on hold until the current sewage and water infrastructure problem is addressed. RDC have confirmed that they don't have an objection from a consultee (infrastructure) so therefore they are unable to refuse the application on concerns regarding infrastructure. Cllrs agreed that the Village Hall will remain on hold until the infrastructure has been resolved. Cllrs will look for interested residents when a Village Hall committee will need to be established. Cllrs agreed to look at this when a more detailed plan is available.

District Councillor Jimmy Wilson-Petch will do all he can to support the delay in approving this application. Cllrs still agreed that the village infrastructure should be addressed before the planning application progresses.

Minutes of all the meetings and correspondence are available to view on the Melsonby Parish Council Website: <https://melsonbypc.com/planning-application-correspondence/>

If you would like a copy of any minutes or have any questions please contact the Clerk, Jenny Pears on 07585837716 or email [melsonbyp8@gmail.com](mailto:melsonbyp8@gmail.com).

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## Information



- ❖ **No Cold Calling Signs:** The Parish Council are looking into developing no cold calling areas within the village. However with the current government restrictions it has slowed this process down. In the interim we have some printed and laminated no cold calling signs that residents can display in their homes. The signs will be available to pick up from the information centre. If you have any questions please contact the Clerk.
- ❖ **Stokesley and District Community Care Assoc:** Operate a Community Car Scheme in our area. The scheme offers to help people who are unable to access public transport due to disability, age or where they live. For further information please contact Tel: 01642 710190 or visit Website: [www.stokesleycca.org.uk](http://www.stokesleycca.org.uk)
- ❖ **Community First Yorkshire:** Offer a variety of services, projects and support to the community. For further information please visit [www.communityfirstyorkshire.org.uk](http://www.communityfirstyorkshire.org.uk)
- ❖ **Disposing of bulky waste:** RDC offer a service where bulky items can be collected from a resident's house For further information contact RDC on 01748 829100.
- ❖ **Outreach Postal Service:** The postal service will be in the Church every Friday from 10am – 12 noon.
- ❖ **LWB Service: The Richmondshire Rovers bus service offers** local journeys in and around Hawes, Wensleydale and North Yorkshire - Making life mobile for everyone. This service is available for everyone to use. For further information and to view the timetable please visit [www.littlewhitebus.co.uk](http://www.littlewhitebus.co.uk) A copy of the timetable is displayed on the Parish Council Notice Board. The Barnard Castle route is not running at present.

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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.

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## Crime update

- ❖ No update given. To view the latest crime report please visit the Melsonby Parish Council website.
- ❖ **County Lines** is a police campaign which aims to raise awareness of a criminal activity. This is when criminals from major cities expand their drug networks to small market towns. This is a foremost priority for North Yorkshire Police and information from members of the public is invaluable in helping them safeguard vulnerable people, disrupt criminal activity and bring the suspects to justice.. For further information please visit the North Yorkshire Police website <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/what-we-do/tackling-crime/county-lines-drug-dealing/>
- ❖ **Property Marking** – Residents can bring valuable items to be marked. It can be used on garage and garden tools, power tools, computers and electrical devices, mobile phones and tablets, equestrian tack, golf clubs and much more. To register your interest please contact the Clerk.  
Residents are encouraged to report any issues to the Police. Dial 101, press option 2 and ask for PC 1908 Mark Wood or PCSO 3669 Helenor Gwatkin.

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. The next Zoom meeting of the Parish Council is on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. The link can be obtained from the Clerk [melsonbyp8@gmail.com](mailto:melsonbyp8@gmail.com). All are welcome to attend. The full minutes of previous meetings can be viewed on the Parish website [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com)