# **Melsonby Parish Council**

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# 1 Parish Council Updates

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Council Tax Reduction Consultation: A new Council Tax Reduction Scheme for North Yorkshire Council. From next year there will be a new single council in North Yorkshire. The new North Yorkshire Council will replace the seven district and borough councils as well as the county council. All eight councils are working together to make sure that the services people value continue as usual when North Yorkshire Council comes into being on 1 April 2023. A link to take part in the consultation and more detailed information can be found at <a href="https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/CouncilTaxReduction">www.northyorks.gov.uk/CouncilTaxReduction</a>. The consultation will close at midnight on 18 September 2022. All comments and feedback will be considered in October, before a final decision is made in November.

**Property Marking Event:** Get your valuable items 'marked' for free with Richmondshire Neighbourhood Policing team. No need to book, just turn up with your items. On **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022, 10am – 12noon** In St James' Church, Melsonby. Further information is available to view on the Parish Council Website. www.melsonbypc.com **Sports Day Committee Message from the Chair:** Once again a big "thank you" to you all for your generous donations, contributions and support in making this year's Sports Day another success.

In supporting and enabling both the day and evening events to take place on Sports Day, the people of Melsonby and their friends raised, during the year, £5,295.73. The full message is available to view on the noticeboard.

**Sewage and surface water flooding in the village**: The Parish Council met with Northumbrian Water on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022. A detailed plan was shared with an action plan, further investigation is taking place and an update will be received on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022.

**The Stepping Up Programe:** The programme is being ran by North Yorkshire Police and North Yorkshire Sport and referrals can be made direct to the scheme. Stepping up is an early intervention and prevention programme for young people beginning to show signs of engaging in risky behaviour. This may be appearing at School, Home or within the local community.

**William Cockin Trust:** Grants are available for young people under the age of 25 living in Melsonby. Further information is available to view on the Melsonby Website or contact Gail Smith 07881347890 email: gailes@btinternet.com

Tidy Gardens Competition: The competition was judged on Monday 8th August 2022 by District Councillor Wilson-Petch The Winners were; 1st - 22 St James Close (Mr/Mrs D Hird), 2nd- 14 St James Close (Mrs R Smith), 3rd- 60 Moor Road, (Mr/Mrs K Hall) Prize money was given: £25 1st, £15 2nd and £10 3<sup>rd</sup>. There were 3 Highly Recommended Gardens each awarded £5 the money donated by District Councillor Wilson-Petch. In no particular order; 24 St James Close (Mr David Brown), 18 East Road (Mr/Mrs Willis), 27 St James Close (Mr D Holdridge).

**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 are available to view and download on the Melsonby Parish Council Website <a href="www.melsonbypc.com">www.melsonbypc.com</a>. Please contact the Clerk before ordering your plaque.

**Community Speed Watch Scheme: We need your support!** If you can help and volunteer some time please get in touch with the Clerk or Judith Stansfield <a href="mailto:melsonbyPCjcs@gmail.com">melsonbyPCjcs@gmail.com</a> or 718139.

**Village Lending Library:** This service will be offered as a book sharing service library, independent of the county library service. The service is available to access in the St James' Church, Melsonby.

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# **Planning**

The full planning application has been received and was due before a full planning committee on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022. The application was not considered and **currently on hold** following guidance from Natural England. All planning applications that fall within the Tees Valley catchment area. Natural England has issued guidance on nutrient enrichment of the Tees River Catchment and the impact that new development is having upon the Teesmouth and Cleveland Coast Special Protection Area for conservation. Part of the RDC area lies within the catchment (roughly to the north of the A66 and east/north east of Scotch corner). What this means is the Council should not be granting planning permission for any development that is likely to create nitrate emissions until we have in place a system to deal with this problem through specific assessments and effective mitigation.

The Parish Council are continuing to liaise with RDC planning raising the ongoing issues. Particularly the sewage overflow problem that continues to occur through the village.

#### Overview:

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 they are unable to refuse the application based on the infrastructure concerns. Cllrs will look for interested residents when a Village Hall committee

will need to be established and a more detailed plan is available. 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 have any questions please contact the Clerk, Jenny Pears on 07585837716 or email melsonbyp8@gmail.com.

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## Information

**No Cold Calling Signs:** The Parish Council have no cold calling stickers that residents can display in their homes. The stickers are available to pick up from the information Centre (old phone box).

**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

**Community First Yorkshire:** Offer a variety of services, projects and support to the community. For further information please visit 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 most Fridays from 10am – 12 noon.

It's Break Time in the Church: Fridays 10am – 12 noon. Have a morning break in the Church - Coffee, tea, biscuits and very often cake. Meet friends, have a chat, take some time out if you are working from home, pop in before or after your walk, very reasonably priced.

**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 A timetable is displayed on the Parish Council Notice Board. **Welcome packs:** The Parish Council has a welcome for newcomers to the village. The distribution of these has been a bit erratic over the last two years, due to Covid, but if you have missed out and would like one, please contact Judith Stansfield melsonbypcjcs@gmail.com or 718139.

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# **Crime update**

**The latest crime bulletin**: Over the last few months crime has been relatively low around the rural areas of Richmond. 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. For further information please visit the North Yorkshire Police website https://northyorkshire.police.uk/what-we-do/tackling-crime/county-lines-drug-dealing/

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 meeting of the Parish Council is on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7.30pm in the St James Church meeting room. All are welcome to attend. The full minutes of previous meetings can be viewed on the Parish website www.melsonbypc.com