

Grinton Parish Council meeting, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Hall.

Present: Chairman Cllr Brown, Cllrs Coates, Sunter and Alderson, the clerk, local press reporter, District Cllr Gardner and one member of the public.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed.

Matters Arising: The Highways Dep't are hoping to carry out work on the B6270 in March though this hasn't yet been confirmed. Highways were unable to locate the blocked drain at Crackpot, clerk to check with Cllr Porter that the drain has been cleared. Cllr Sunter advised highways had recently been checking potholes on Whitaside. Photographs of erosion by Blaeberry Cottage will be forwarded to Highways prior to the Tour using the road.

Tour De France: Cllr Coates had attended the meeting in Reeth; there are plans to erect large screens on Reeth Green. Cllrs agreed to stick to the original plan to buy a banner and bunting for the village. Cllr Coates will speak to the church committee to see if they require any funding assistance if they are planning fund raising on the Tour weekend.

Correspondence: YDNP would like Council's to submit details of green spaces worth protecting in settlements in parishes for the Yorkshire Dales Local Plan 2015-30.

Permission was given for Mr and Mrs Mason at Mergill to cut back trees on parish land on Swale Hall Lane.

RDC Update newsletter and Rural Action Yorkshire's credit based exchange schemes were at hand.

Precept: It was resolved to precept for £1500 for 2014/2015.

It was resolved to pay Npower £102.92. Monies received £1454.40 RDC grant.

Any other business: Clerk to report the broken window in the phone kiosk in Grinton. Cllr Gardner will request that trees on Reels Head are cut back as once road closures happen vehicles are likely to use this route to access Richmond.

The gazette is now outsourcing printing of the magazine and the majority of their machines are now off lease. They will still require the hall to be heated for paper and some storage space. Cllrs will consider this at rent review.

As there was no further business the chairman closed the meeting.

Next meeting: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014 at 7.15pm., in Grinton Parish Hall.