Grinton Parish Council meeting, Monday 2nd March 2015 at 7.15pmm in Grinton Parish Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr Sunter, Cllrs Porter, Coates and Alderson, the clerk District Cllr Gardner and two members of the public. Apologies were accepted from Cllr Brown and Mrs Little.

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

Matter Arising: The Energy Audit has been carried out on the hall, results have not yet been received. Clerk had submitted information requested by RDC of minutes and assets.

NYCC Commons Registration has forwarded information regarding correcting registrations. Forms are available on DEFRA's web site; clerk will look at completing and submitting the forms.

Correspondence: Permission was granted for SWAG Big Dig to dig test pits on the village green near the old mill on Swale Hall Lane.

The proposed purchaser of Mill House would like to underground the electric cables under the green to their garage. Clerk to request clarification on where exactly the cables will run, also advise that SWAG will be digging there in June/July time and if agreed work will have to be carried out after they have finished.

Council will write to Yorkshire Water to ask them to clarify ownership of the junction box for sewage serving properties on Swale Hall Lane.

NYCC have mainly completed the review of local bus services.

YDNP are considering an initiative of National Park Parish Forums to improve liaison and joint working with Parishes, comments are being sought on the idea by 13th March.

Cllr Alderson, as the Parish's emergency planning offices, will contact NYCC regarding their correspondence on flash flooding and emergency plans.

Clerk will contact RDC to request election packs are made available at Hudson House offices for Councillors to collect them if required.

RDC has provided a dog fouling information pack for Parish Councils.

Yorkshire Water are seeking information on the location of private sewage pumping stations, ownership of which will transfer to YWA on 1st October 2016.

Finance: It was resolved to pay the following; Y Water £13.68, T Hird £70.10, M Porter £312.86, HMRC £28.80.

Any other business: it was noted that gritting in January had been slow leaving roads dangerous. Council will request a barrier on the moor road along the gill side.

The gate on the footpath below Swale Hall isn't swinging; this will be reported to YDNP.

It was agreed to invite Mike Briggs to the Parish Meeting to give parishioners chance to discuss the small wooden bridge near The Grange.

Cllr Sunter advised the meeting he will not be standing for election having now served 39 years. Cllr Coates thanked Mr Sunter on behalf of Councillors and the Parish.

As there was no further business the chairman closed the meeting. Next meeting will be the Parish Council AGM on Monday 11th May 2015, at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Hall. This meeting will be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting.