Grinton Parish Council meeting, Monday 2nd January 2012 at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Hall. Present: Cllrs Brown, Sunter and Coates, the clerk and one member of the public. Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Porter and Alderson and Mrs Little.

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

Matters Arising: Michael Briggs (YDNP Area Ranger) and the clerk had reviewed the maps of the village green. It would appear the footbridge by Blaeberry is not on land owned by the Parish Council. Mr Briggs will continue to investigate the possibility of it being registered as a footpath which the Council supported.

No further correspondence has been received regarding the bank erosion on Grinton Beck.

Cllr Brown advised YDNP Access Forum appointments have been made.

Correspondence: An update on Natural England's lakes to dales landscapes designation project had been received. Orders are being drawn up to vary the boundaries of the two National Parks. These will be submitted to the Secretary of State and placed on deposit for public inspection for a period of 28 days.

An NYCC questionnaire on Highways and Transportation issues and one on NYCC's budget were completed by Councillors.

Details on RDC's playground costs had been received from Fleur Butler.

Information on Richmondshire Eco Week will be placed on the village noticeboard.

Yorkshire Dales Leader newsletter and information, RCVS newsletter and Local Homes Newsletter were all at hand. Information has been provided by Digital UK regarding the switchover in September 2012.

The Campaign for Protection of Rural England has provided a copy of their booklet 'Planning Explained'.

Finance: It was resolved to pay T Hird £224.90, Y Water £24.16, Npower £163.83.

Any other business: The clerk was instructed to write to local councillors J Blackie, M Gardner and B Gale objecting to the winter closure of Grinton toilets.

As there was no further business the chairman closed the meeting. Next meeting Monday 5th March at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Council.