

Grinton Parish Council meeting Monday 7th January 2013 at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Hall.

Present: Chairman Cllr H Brown, Cllrs Coates, Porter and Sunter, District Cllr Gardner, the clerk, local press reporter and one member of the public. Apologies were accepted from Cllr Alderson.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed. Mr Dawson noted the 'village' web site was referred this should be 'parish' web site.

Matters Arising: The gate at Harkerside cattle grid has been repaired. The pothole and Bunsen Nook has also been inspected and repaired. District Cllr Gardner advised the Grinton village sign still needs erecting. Also he will be holding a site meeting with a highway's representative to discuss the problem of roadside saplings. A blocked drain at Ellers Hill, Whitaside, stones blocking the pipe under the water splash at Summer Lodge and the fallen wall and dip appearing below Moor House will all be reported. It was agreed the roads needs clearing below Swale Hall, pot holes on the Harkerside road need repairing and the subsidence on the Grinton to Richmond road through Ellerton is becoming a serious problem. These will also be reported. An update on the Grinton churchyard project has appeared in local press.

District Cllr Gardner asked for any comments on the Remembrance Day parade, Cllr Brown agreed the earlier start time was a good idea.

Correspondence: A letter from Mr Chandler complaining of sheep loose in the village was read, Cllr Brown thought they may be his and will endeavour to find out.

Carriageway patching has been carried out on the Grinton to Leyburn road.

RDC are holding a meeting regarding changes in legislation that could impact on Council Tax setting and Parish precepts. D C Gardner advised he will be attending and will report back to the Parish Council.

The planning application for Neddy House kitchen garden has finally been disposed.

An update from Rural Action Yorkshire on keeping warm and safe over winter and three requests for funding from charities were all at hand.

Finance: It was resolved to pay Npower £176.22. The clerk will find out further information on the HMRC PAYE real time information which commences in April 2013.

Any other business: DC Gardner asked for comments on the idea of joining Ellerton Abbey parish to Grinton Council. Cllrs had no objections and Cllr Gardner will put this to RDC and Ellerton Abbey parish.

As there was no further business the chairman closed the meeting. Next meeting will be held on Monday 4th March 2013 at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Hall.