

Grinton Parish Council Meeting, Monday 2nd September 2013 at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Hall.

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

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

Matters Arising: Local MP William Hague has responded to the Council's letter regarding the Minimum Practice Income Guarantee. He shares the Council's concerns and has written to Mr Geoff Day, the Head of Primary Care at NHS England. The Council has also written to Geoff Day, he advises that his team will be liaising closely with practises where MPIG forms a significant proportion of practise income. A copy of the YDNP letter regarding MPIG was read to the meeting.

The small white footbridge at Crossbeck has been painted.

District Cllr Gardner advised he has met with NYCC Highways Nigel Smith, a decision is expected on the B6270 subsidence and they are hoping to start work in early October.

Correspondence: NYCC are consulting on their proposed reductions to bus services. Consultation papers can be found at <http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/busconsultation> . Locally there are some proposed withdrawals to Service 30 and consolidation of this service with Service 32.

Correspondence from RDC regarding the Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy was available, this covers areas outside the National Park.

Planning has been granted for installation of a 1000 litre oil tank at Usha Top Farm, Low Row.

The village was placed fourth in the Best Kept Village Competition.

RDC's Scrutiny Committee are looking at GP Out of Hours Services in Richmondshire. Cllr Gardner advised that this could possibly be moved to Richmond. Councillors agreed that it is essential that it continues to be offered.

Inspector Geoff Crocker, North Yorkshire Police, had written introducing himself to Parish Councils and highlighting local priorities over the next three months.

YDNP are operating a grant scheme for Parish Councils for projects re: the Tour de France.

Finance: it was resolved to pay Npower and Yorkshire Water.

Any other business: Clerk will purchase a new smoke alarm for the Parish Hall.

A letter will be sent to Highways suggesting the moor road restriction on HGV's is lifted until the subsidence on the B6270 is repaired.

Mr J Dawson enquired why Grinton Council doesn't lay a wreath at the Remembrance Day service; this was left in abeyance for possible future consideration.

Clerk will contact Mike Briggs to inform him of damage to the footbridge at Crackpot waterfall.

Pot holes up Whitaside and near Mergill on Swale Hall Lane will be reported to Highways.

As there was no further the business the Chairman closed the meeting. Next meeting Monday 4th November 2013 at 7.15pm., in Grinton Parish Hall.