

# Newsletter

January / February 2012

**The Parish Council met on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and considered a number of items.**



## OIL PURCHASING CO-OPERATIVE

Initial investigations into setting up a local oil buying group suggest that savings of between 5 and 10% could be achieved when full tankers of oil are ordered by one area.

Groups rely on having a co-ordinator willing to gather orders and then liaise with suppliers. However, households pay the supplier direct, so money is *not* handled by the co-operative or the co-ordinator.

If you would be interested in finding out more about becoming the co-ordinator for this area and helping to set up an oil buying group then please contact the Clerk (see below).

## NORTH STAINLEY ESTATE

The Parish Council welcomed James Staveley to the first meeting he has attended since moving in to North Stainley Hall and taking over North Stainley Estate, which owns a lot of the land in and around North Stainley village.

A number of projects and issues of mutual interest were discussed.

### Future Maintenance of Watermill Lane

The Parish Council agreed in principle to take over the ownership and maintenance of the two ponds near Watermill Lane and the grassed areas surrounding them as well as the green in the middle of Watermill Lane (opposite Manor Farm).

Further information is being sought about various restrictive covenants, relating to maintenance obligations, which have been included in the deeds of many of the properties on Watermill Lane.

It is expected that ownership of the land will be transferred by the beginning of 2013 and the areas will be included in the Parish Council's grasscutting contract from then on, having previously been cut by the Estate.

### Allotments

Mr Staveley confirmed that he would be happy to rent the Parish Council an area of land (in 'Front Field' behind Lavender Lane) for use as allotments. The Parish Council's Working Group will now draw up detailed proposals for his approval.

A general discussion about the future working relationship between North Stainley Estate and the Parish Council was held as both parties have the best interests of North Stainley at heart.

### NEW COUNCILLOR

James Stuart-Mills of Mill House was welcomed on to the Council.

### PARISH CARETAKER

The Parish Council is pleased to be continuing to receive funding for the Parish Caretaker scheme which is being made available through the Rural Development Programme for England, which is jointly funded by DeFra and the European Union, and is managed by the Yorkshire Dales Leader Programme.

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**If you know of any tasks you would like the caretaker to do please contact the Parish Clerk.**

P.C.S.O. Sharon Wilson attended to discuss traffic calming and ideas for **speeding enforcement initiatives** involving the school.

Dial **101** to speak to the police about **non-emergencies.**

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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

The next full Parish Council meeting will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in North Stainley Village Hall's meeting room. A planning meeting will take place (if necessary) on 21<sup>st</sup> February. See shop noticeboard for further details.