

# Newsletter

March 2014

**The Parish Council met on 21<sup>st</sup> January and considered a number of items.**

## DEVELOPMENT IN NORTH STAINLEY

North Stainley Estate is putting together proposals to carry out an initial consultation with every household in the parish. This is likely to be through a letter seeking opinions. The Parish Council is continuing to look at a variety of mechanisms which could deliver further development *if that is what the village decides it wants* and will be sending a delegate to a forthcoming conference on Neighbourhood Planning. For more information about these plans go to [www.locality.org.uk/projects/building-community](http://www.locality.org.uk/projects/building-community) Harrogate Borough Council is currently beginning a process to review the Core Strategy. This is one of the main documents in the Local Plan which sets out how and where development will take place. The Parish Council has responded to a first consultation by explaining the current situation in North Stainley and asking to maintain dialogue with Harrogate Borough Council over the forthcoming months.

## 2014/15 BUDGET

The Parish Council's budget for the next financial year is now published online:  
[northstainleyparishcouncil.btck.co.uk/Financials](http://northstainleyparishcouncil.btck.co.uk/Financials)

## TOUR DE FRANCE

The Council has agreed to raise the precept (money collected through Council Tax) by £250 to pay for skips and clearing up after the Tour de France. The Council hopes to recoup some of the cost of this from car parking in the village.

***If you could help with car parking on 5<sup>th</sup> July please contact the Clerk.***

Northern Energy will shortly be returning to North Stainley to carry out **verge repairs** on Watermill Lane. This is after one of their vehicles damaged the grass whilst delivering LPG to a property.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council agreed that it has no objections to an application to convert a shed at Cottage Farm, Kirkby Road, in to a coach depot. This is subject to conditions limiting the number of vehicles to be kept on the site and improvements being made to the site's infrastructure.

The Parish Council objected to an application at Lightwater Valley seeking to amend the conditions for the holiday lodges. This would have seen occupancy restricted by the amount of time people could spend in the chalets, rather than through shutting the site completely in winter.

These applications will now be determined by Harrogate Borough Council.

## WEEDS IN THE PONDS



North Stainley Estate is proposing to contract a scuba diver to go in to the ponds and remove the invasive weeds that are blighting the water.



## VEHICLE ACTIVATED SIGN

There was positive feedback from the first rotation of the sign being located in North Stainley. The sign will visit twice more in the next few weeks. The Council hopes to be able to participate in the scheme on an ongoing basis.



The Parish Council is pleased to have been able to support the **North Stainley Community First Responders** group by making a contribution to the cost of their new banner. The group is seeking new members to help provide this invaluable service in our area. E-mail: [northstainleycfr@gmail.com](mailto:northstainleycfr@gmail.com)

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The Parish Council's next meeting will be on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at 7.30pm in North Stainley Village Hall.

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to invite residents to the Annual Parish Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The Annual Parish Meeting is an opportunity for the parish to come together, review what's taken place in the past twelve months and look forward to the 2014/15 year. Local organisations will also be invited to come and report on their activities.