

Newsletter

January / February 2015

The Parish Council met on 20th January 2015 and considered a number of items.

VEHICLE ACTIVATED SIGNS

The Parish Council is delighted that North Yorkshire County Council has decided to continue with the Vehicle Activated Sign scheme and that North Stainley is going to be able to take part.

It is a 4 year scheme and this Council's participation will be paid for by grant funding.

There will be two flashing signs reminding drivers who are going too fast that the speed limit is 30mph. The signs will visit the village 3 times a year.

There will be one at each end of North Stainley (near Beatswell Lawn and Cockpit Green) facing drivers who are entering the village.

PLAIN ENGLISH GUIDE TO PLANNING

Planning is a hot topic in the Harrogate District at the moment and for North Stainley too.

- Do you know what a Local Plan is and why it's important to North Stainley?
- Do you know what permitted development rights are and whether your house has them?
- What is the Planning Inspectorate and when do they get involved in a planning application?

To find the answers to these questions and more why not read DeFRA's new Plain English Guide to Planning?

It's 20 pages of useful information which will help you understand the way planning affects your community.

ANNUAL PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS



The playground has had its annual, thorough inspection and found to be in generally good order.

The Parish Council has some funds set aside for maintenance works, for example the balance beam is going to need to be replaced in the next couple of years.



PARISH CARETAKER

The caretaker has now changed and The DTMS Group from Fellbeck have been appointed on a temporary contract until March 2015.

They are currently working through a backlog of work, including the winter maintenance of the pond.



CLEAR UP AFTER YOUR DOG

To report incidents of dog fouling call Harrogate Borough Council's Dog Warden on 01423-500600.

HIGH BATTS NATURE RESERVE

The Parish Council has received a copy of High Batt's Annual Report.

High Batts is the nature reserve located just off the Ripon Rowel walk near Hanson's Quarry.

For more information about the reserve you can e-mail highbatts1@gmail.com



COST OF LOCAL POLICING

A survey is now open to get feedback as to whether the public would like to freeze the local police tax or if would rather pay more for local policing. The short consultation takes less than a minute to complete and is your chance to have a say over the amount you pay for policing across North Yorkshire. It is available via the Parish SCouncil's website.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

The next Parish Council meetings will be held on 17th February (for planning applications and other urgent business) and 17th March (ordinary meeting).

The meetings all start at 7.30pm and are held in North Stainley Village Hall.

The agendas for meetings are always displayed on the shop noticeboard and the Council's website at least three days before a meeting. Members of the public are welcome to attend and hear the matters being considered.

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