

## Tanfield Parish Council

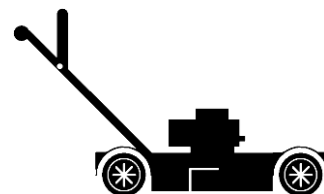
# NEWSLETTER

October 2013

The Parish Council met on 1<sup>st</sup> October and considered a number of items.

## GRASSCUTTING AND MAINTENANCE

The Parish Council is aware of problems with the grasscutting in West Tanfield this year. It is also aware that residents on Main Street would like the pavements and gutters cleaning more regularly. The Parish Council is going to go back out to tender to make sure that the right specification and contractor is in place for 2014. It will consult all residents (see below) on the available options once prices are known.



A request for new **speed checks** on vehicles using Main Street, West Tanfield is going to be submitted to the Hambleton Safety Partnership. This is the first step towards determining if further actions (such as traffic calming measures or enforcement) are required. Previous checks had shown that perceived speeds were higher than actual ones.



## HEALTHWATCH NORTH YORKSHIRE

This is a new, independent, consumer champion for health and social care services in England. They are keen to engage with local people in this area to give them the opportunity to influence health and social care provision. More information is available at:

[www.healthwatchnorthyorkshire.co.uk](http://www.healthwatchnorthyorkshire.co.uk)

## BUS SERVICES



North Yorkshire County Council is consulting on changes to bus services, designed to save money. This includes changes to the 159 service which runs through the parish.

If you use the bus service and would like to know how this might affect you then please contact the Clerk for more information.

Full details of all the proposals and how to respond to the consultation are also available online:

[www.northyorks.gov.uk/busconsultation](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/busconsultation)

## CONDITION OF B6267 ROAD

The Parish Council is continuing to take up the problems with this road surface with Highways North Yorkshire. Further, limited, works are planned in the next few weeks.

Permission has been granted for a wildlife dipping pond with disabled access at **Nosterfield Nature Reserve**.

# BUDGET CONSULTATION

The Parish Council's main source of income is the precept. This is money raised for it through Council Tax. There are some things the Parish Council has to do, and other things that it can choose to do, but Councillors want to make sure that the money is being spent on what you want.

It is therefore going to be carrying out a survey of all residents in November.

**Watch out for your consultation paper coming through the door and please take the time to respond.**

**After all, this affects how much Council Tax you pay.**

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## NEXT MEETINGS

Planning meetings to consider new applications and other items of business may be held on 5<sup>th</sup> November and 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 7.30pm in West Tanfield Memorial Hall.

The next full Council meeting will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014. Dates for the rest of next year are still being finalised.