

Newsletter

February 2013

The Parish Council met on 17th January and considered a number of items of business.



Have you visited the Council's website yet? www.gssepc.btck.co.uk
Filled with news and information about the work of the Parish Council.



PARISH CARETAKER

The Parish Council is reviewing the caretaker contract and would appreciate any feedback on the work undertaken during the past three years.

The Parish Council is now advertising the 2013/14 contract.

It is looking for a self-employed person, contractor or company to be Parish Caretaker.

Duties will include minor repairs to public rights of way, maintaining Picking Gill nature reserve, litter picking, strimming, inspection of the Council's play areas and other general maintenance jobs in the parish.

A list of jobs is sent out on a task sheet each month and includes a set of 'routine' tasks to be completed. In addition there are seasonal tasks that occur once a year and other one-off tasks that are included as they arise. The Parish Council works with other local authorities and community groups to identify and address tasks for the benefit of parishioners.

The contract will be for 8 hours per month at a rate of £15 per hour. The contract period will initially be until the end of June 2013 with a view to it being extended to March 2014 and annually thereafter.

Own liability insurance, transport and tools essential.

Contact Iona Taylor, Clerk to the Parish Council, for further details and an application form, or download one from the website www.gssepc.btck.co.uk/news

Have you used the **broadband tracker tool** yet?

Help to prove there is demand for high-speed broadband in this area by going to www.northyorks.gov.uk/broadband and using the online tool.

**FIND OUT MORE ABOUT PROPOSALS
FOR PLAY EQUIPMENT IN SAWLEY –
SEE OVERLEAF.**

It may seem like a long time ago now, but did you know that the Sawley Small Grants Scheme helped fund the Sawley Jubilee celebrations?

There were several notable highlights - the queen for the day arrived in a 1952 Morris Oxford to synchronised, stereophonic bell ringing from the church and the village hall. She was presented with a bouquet of flowers by the winner of the fancy dress competition and it was noted that there were many adults in very patriotic costumes - some threatening their dignity. All this was forgotten by the excitement of a royal wave from the balcony of the former parish room.

We had a short combined service of dedication with the raising of the Union Jack. Jubilee Artwork was displayed in the village hall, well supported competitions and a wonderful exhibition by the W.I. A splendid tea on the Green was followed with games and presentation of jubilee mugs. And there was no rain!



GRANTLEY AND SAWLEY OIL CLUB



The Oil Club will be placing its first order on 11th February. Applications to join the club, whose next order will be on 13th May, are welcome at any time – it's never too late to join!

Application forms are on the Council's website or are available from the Clerk.

Join and save money!

VACANCY ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council is now free to 'co-opt' or choose a new member. Information about the role of a Councillor is available in the Good Councillors Guide, available from the Clerk or at:

http://www.nalc.gov.uk/Publications/Booklets_and_Resources.aspx

You do not need to live in the Sawley ward, but within 3 miles of it. Please contact the Clerk if you are interested in joining the Council.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th March 2013 at 7.30pm in Grantley Village Hall.

The Grantley ward, Annual Parish Meeting will also be held that evening. This is an opportunity for Grantley residents to get together and review what's happened in the last year.

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