

Newsletter

February 2015

The Parish Council met on 15th January 2015 and considered a number of items of business.

COMMON LAND IN THE PARISH

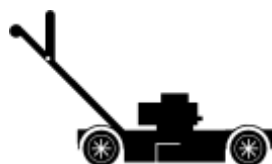
The Parish Council has reviewed information from DeFRA about the areas of registered common land in the parish.

There are 5 which are owned by the Parish Council:

- Grantley Pinfold
- Grantley Tip
- Part of Skelding Moor
- Bountin Hill, Grantley
- Disused quarry, Skelding

The Parish Council is now going to look in to whether it would be beneficial / practical to register the land it owns with Land Registry.

2015 GRASSCUTTING



Farm & Land Services Ltd have been reappointed as the Council's grasscutting contractor for the 2015 season.

The Parish Council will spend about £1243 on grasscutting this year.



PLANNING APPLICATIONS



The Parish Council agreed that it has no objections to the following applications:

- Erection of a conservatory at Grantley Grange.
- Installation of a flue and alterations to a window opening to allow the installation of a door at Old Hall Farm, Grantley.
- Erection of an outdoor riding arena and lunge ring (revised scheme) at Hebden Bank Farm.

The Oil Club's January order was placed at 32.35p/l – a saving of about 5p on non-member prices at that time. To join fill in the form overleaf.



PARISH ROOM PROCEEDS

The Parish Council continues to hold over £140,000 of funds from the sale of Sawley Parish Room in 2008.

The majority of the funds are held in long term investments.

Some funds are available for community projects as they arise (such as the installation of new play equipment last year).

There is currently over £2,500 waiting to be distributed to Sawley groups or residents through the Small Grants Scheme.

At its January meeting the Parish Council took a number of decisions in relation to the Parish Room funds.

Castle Trust Investment

£36,292.24 is going to be placed in a one-year investment with this institution. It will pay 2.25%.

Sawley in Bloom

The Parish Council has agreed to fund the costs of this group for the next two years by making a donation of £320 p.a.

Small Grants Scheme

A grant of £200 is going to be made to a Risplith student undertaking the World Challenge.

The Parish Council is keen to receive more applications to this fund. Details about how to apply can be found online at:

www.gssepc.btck.co.uk/SawleyGrantsScheme

Sawley Church Clock

The Parish Council is going to pay to have the clock serviced at a cost of £130.

ANNUAL PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS



The playgrounds have had their annual, thorough inspections and found to be in generally good order. The caretaker will be asked to carry out some minor works. The Parish Council has some funds set aside for works which may arise in the future.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 24th March 2015 at 7.30pm in Grantley Village Hall.

The Grantley Ward Annual Parish Meeting will also be held that evening. Members of the public are welcome to attend.