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DRAFT VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT – PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING – SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2009

Following the publication of the Parish Plan in January 2007, the Parish Council set up the Village Design Group (VDG), to draft a Village Design Statement (VDS). This was one of the main recommendations of the Parish Plan. The VDG has worked over the last two years to produce the draft VDS for Osmotherley and Thimbleby, and a copy is enclosed for every household in the area with this issue of the “Messenger”.

In preparing the draft VDS, the VDG have had considerable assistance from planning officers from the National Park Authority (NPA), which is the planning authority for this area. The intention of the Parish Council and the VDG is that once the draft VDS has passed through all its consultation stages and the VDG have amended the draft accordingly, then the VDS will be adopted by the NPA as a “Supplementary Planning Document”. This means that it will have statutory force as part of the “Local Development Framework” and then must be considered by the NPA in reaching planning decisions

The draft VDS has already been approved by the Parish Council (and amended in the light of its comments). We are now at the stage of public consultation. Once we have received the public’s comments (and amended the VDS as necessary), the final stage of consultation is the statutory consultation, which the NPA will arrange (with statutory consultees such as the Highways Authority, Yorkshire Water, National Trust etc).

For the public consultation we would like your comments, criticisms and suggestions for improvement. We have arranged a public consultation meeting in the Village Hall at Osmotherley on Saturday 7th November from 10am to 1pm. Please come along and let us have your views. Refreshments will be available. Meanwhile if you would like to put your comments in writing, (anonymously if you wish), please send or deliver them to: Shona Padbury (Secretary) at Larkhill, West End; or Noel Coward (Chairman) at Beacon Croft, Clack Lane; or Councillor Tim Swales at Swales’ Garage, Clack Lane.

Thank you for your help. *Noel Coward, Chairman: Osmotherley Parish Council and VDG*

There will be a FUN CONCERT in St Peter’s on Saturday 24 October starting at 7.30pm. Entrance will be free and the performance will be by musicians near and far with vocal, instrumental and audience participation. Retiring proceeds will be in aid of St Peter’s

Osmotherley Freecycle

“It seems an awful shame to throw it out”; “We must take it to the tip next time we’re in Northallerton”; “I’m sure someone could use this”. “I wonder if anyone in the village has a few xxxxxxxx going spare?”

How often have you said that? – well, now there’s an answer. Following the principles of the national Freecycle system, the Top Shop (God bless the Top Shop) have agreed to host a

village Freecycle system as a trial. We’ll give it a few months and see how it goes. Inside the door is a clipboard on which you can list what you have to get rid of/want. If/when you’ve got rid/got it, please delete the item. In any case the Grand Miser will delete items every 2 weeks, to avoid the list getting cluttered. Some “rules”:
1) There is no charge, but a donation into one of the collection boxes would be welcomed.

2) Everything has to be free – its not a classified ad system
3) Don’t take any goods to the Top Shop – they are simply hosting the clipboard and have nothing to do with running the system.
4) Open to anyone
Any ideas for improvement – please call Hugh Thompson* 883479 (*aka The Grand Miser) Let’s give it a try – save the environment, save your pocket.

Osmotherley Cemetery

An interesting vacancy has arisen for a Burials Clerk.

Duties will include the keeping of the register of all plots within the Cemetery and collecting the fees due when a burial is requested. For further information please contact either Councillor Tim Swales or Len Cragg on 773577.



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The Osmotherley Village Theatre's Quiz Night took place upstairs at the Golden Lion on 2nd September. We would like to thank Christie and Bilal for their hospitality. The proceeds from the evening have been donated to Pre-School.

Please support your local theatre.

The village theatre is looking for items of clothing from the 1930s for its next production. We are particularly looking for men's double-breasted suits, maid and district nurse and day dresses of the period. If anyone has any period pieces lurking in the back of a wardrobe, please would they get in touch with Angela Thomsett at the Applegarth (883224).

Parish Council

During the summer months Osmotherley Area Parish Council has had to consider several planning applications including a controversial one where the owner of the house had already commenced work without obtaining consent. At 68 North end work started earlier in the year and was halted by the National Parks enforcement team because this is in the conservation area. Members of the PC considered at their most recent meeting that it may be appropriate to allow an amended scheme which would not have a detrimental effect on the neighbouring property's right to light.

Currently Hambleton DC are making changes to their estates policy and due to this they have decided to hand over responsibility of the Cemetery to PC control. Before the Parish assume control of this there is the need to ensure that all documentation including accurate plotting of the graves is recorded and then work will be required to the walls and paths to ensure that these will not require further maintenance. Funding has been discussed and these remedial works will be financed from this agreed source which means that there will not be a call on the precept of the parish. The Parish Council do however wish to appoint a Burial Clerk to take charge of the records and to plot graves and to collect the fees generated by the use of the Cemetery.

Although there was no Police representation at either of the summer meetings it was noted that there have been some unsavoury incidents of late, by far the worst being the break in at Oswaldene and if anyone sees any suspicious activity please contact the Police immediately on 0845 60 60 247. Do not wait until it is reported in the press, vigilance is the key to helping to stamp out crimes such as this or that at the Gun Club where a large quantity of cartridges were stolen.

Clockwinding opportunity

The village clock (at the top of St Peter's) is wound by a rota of winders, and we would like to open it up to any others who might be interested. The job involves climbing up the ladder in the tower and spending 15 minutes winding up the weights that drive the clock. It's more meditative than physical. We each do it for 8 weeks at a time. Training is provided and we have occasional "general meetings" (in the pub) to discuss general clock-winding matters. Anyone interested please call Hugh Thompson on 883479.

The Worshipful Company of Osmotherley Clockwinders : Patron: Her Reverence Dr. George Morley : Master: Brother Hugh Thompson. Winding Brothers: Paul Duggan, John Padbury, Mike Thomsett, David Wilson.

Osmotherley Village Theatre presents

Night Must Fall by Emyln Williams

on the nights of Thursday 5th, Friday 6th and Saturday 7th November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Set in the 1930s and taking place in a remote house in the woods, this thriller builds to a chilling climax. Tickets will be available from the Box Office (Top Shop) from the 19th October. Book early to avoid disappointment. First-class theatre only a stroll from the West End!



The doors on our new season of film opened at the end of last month. It was a pleasure to welcome Members, new and renewing alike (plus Guests), for the first of what promises to be many more enjoyable evenings of film all the way through to June next year. Ahead lies a strong programme containing plenty for everyone and which we will enjoy bringing to you.

Missing out and want to be part of it? Want to join for the season ahead and not yet done so? No problem: contact Shona Padbury on 883237 or come along to our film evening this month to join. Membership for the season is £35 – great value for great film! (full details available on our website: www.osmotherleyfilm.co.uk).

From this month, we return to our 'traditional' Friday evening slot. Doors open 7.30pm; Film starts 8pm.

'To Kill a Mockingbird' Friday 23rd October, 1962 [US] Cert PG 129mins [B&W]
The powerful Harper Lee novel of race discrimination in the deep south US, brought to the big screen and starring Gregory Peck. Justice and prejudice challenge each other; a community challenges itself. One of life's 'not to be missed' movies.

Osmotherley Pre-School

Another new term and lots of exciting things are happening! On Tuesday we held a very successful AGM attended by parents. Without parental support we would struggle to survive, but our future looks extremely positive, so a huge thank-you to all those who agreed to continue to act as officers and committee members and to all those new to the committee.

We received a lovely surprise at the beginning of term when the Osmotherley Village Theatre donated the proceeds of their quiz to pre-school. £65 has allowed us to purchase bamboo water channelling resources that

encourage the children to construct and problem-solve. We said our farewells to five children in July and have already welcomed three new children into the setting. This means we have twelve children on roll and still have space for lots more!

Our outdoor environment has been well and truly enhanced, thanks to the funding we received from the local authority and the children are already taking advantage of the many new learning experiences on offer. The willow dome has rooted and grown well and created a natural 'den' in the school garden and we are now looking towards designating a 'real digging area' where children

can exercise their gross motor skills using larger, long-handled spades and gardening equipment. Accompanied by Mrs Armitage I completed my first five days of forest school training at Foxglove Covert Nature Reserve and will be introducing specific aspects of this approach to learning over the coming months. Angie Thomsett has kindly granted us permission to use the Applegarth and this will allow preschool to provide further opportunities for children to be out in the fresh air, to explore and discover nature as well as experience risk and challenge in a supervised environment. Forest school

activities promote the development of personal, social and emotional skills as well as communication, language and literacy and this links in very closely with the government's 'Every Child a Talker' project. This aims to improve children's early speech, language and reading skills and in my role as an early language lead practitioner, I shall be involved in this over the next two years working closely with the children and parents attending pre-school.

Date for your diary: Sparkle Dance - Nov 28th

Osmotherley School

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The summer is fast becoming a distant memory as the Autumn term gets into full swing. I was very pleased that the school was invited to take part in the Community 'Harvest in the Barn' and the children worked hard to be ready. The evening was super one and weren't we lucky with the weather.

During the holidays the school has had its final phase of building work, a rearrangement

inside to relocate the children's library and the addition of a staff room and cloakroom.

This term the Acorns Class are working on the theme of 'Superheroes!'. The Oaks Class are looking at 'The Food on our Plate' - where it comes from and the sustainability issues surrounding it.

The sporting events calendar is getting underway, with a Cross

Country event in October at the Allertonshire for all the Oaks Class and I am sure that we will be challenged to some friendly football matches!

This term all the Year 3 and 4 children will be working with a percussion teacher from the County Music Service on Friday mornings. This tuition is provided free through a government grant scheme.

We look forward to continuing to work with our community throughout this year and would like to thank everyone out there for all the support they give the school. Please keep watching our website for news.

Village Hall

This year's AGM will be held in the hall at 7pm on Tuesday 20 October. All are welcome and the committee would love the opportunity to welcome any villagers interested in becoming

involved in the running of the village hall. We also have a vacancy for a new cleaner at 2 hours per week (rates and times to be negotiated). This would be ideal for anyone with a

couple of spare hours a week and we would love to offer the job to someone within the village. Please contact the Chair Dave Morris for further details on 883162.

Osmotherley Show 2009

Wet days before the show didn't dampen the enthusiasm of the committee as they worked hard to prepare for the big day. Unfortunately it started to rain at 6am on the morning of the show and didn't relent until well into the afternoon. Undaunted, everyone involved put in even more effort to make sure that the show went on.

The weather obviously had an effect on the number of people present and this was a great

shame as there were record entries in many classes. All cattle class entries were up, the fell race was better supported than in previous years and the dog show was a great success. The cancellation of the parade of the Hurworth Hounds was the only casualty of the day.

The dance in the evening was enjoyed by everyone, young and old and was a fitting way

to end the show. The hogg roast supper was delicious and dancing went on well into the night, with wellington boots and coats being the dress code adopted by most people on the dance floor.

Our thanks go to Mr and Mrs Shelley for allowing us to use the venue and we look forward to next year's show and hope for a drier day.

House wanted

Villager, currently renting looking for house to buy 2-3 beds with garden any condition considered

Contact Diane 883918

Festive Ladies Night!

Pre-School are pleased to present a Festive Ladies Night on Fri 13th Nov (we aren't superstitious!!) at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Stalls from Queen Bead, Phoenix cards, Silverdaze and Jabberwocky jewellery, Indulgence Gifts, Precious Parcels, Panache and Marna Lunt giftwares, Roots Farm shop, Hillary Bonham foods and more. Join us for a glass of wine whilst avoiding the Christmas crowds! Tickets £3 and available NOW from Vicki Morton (883168) and Sharon Pitts (883465).

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Articles for Nov by Fri 23rd Oct



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Dates for your Diary

Oct

Sun 4th, 6.30pm Methodist Church evening service. Rev Robert Gee.
Wed 7th, 7:30pm Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo, Queen Catherine.
Sun 11th, 6.30pm Methodist Church evening service. Rev Andy Bryer.
Tues 13th, 7.30pm. Owls. Very interesting 'Early Life of Captain Cook' . Supper Room.
Sun 18th, 6.30pm Methodist Church evening service. Mr Malcolm Breckon.
Fri 23rd, 7.30pm. Osmotherley Film 'To Kill a Mocking Bird', Village Hall.
Sat 24th, 7.30pm St - Fun Concert , Peters Church.
Sat 24th, Poppy Appeal commences (until 11th November).
Sun 25th, Methodist Church Holy Communion. Rev Robert Gee
Mon 26th, 7:30pm Royal British Legion Annual General Meeting, Church House.
Tues 27th, 8pm. Osmotherley Show Dominoes, Golden Lion.

Nov

Tues 3rd 7.30pm Garden Club "Small is Beautiful" with Dr David Smith, Village Hall.
Wed 4th, 7.30pm. Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo. Queen Catherine.
Thurs 5th - Sat 7th, 7:30pm. Osmotherley Village Theatre, 'Night Must Fall' Village Hall.
Sat 7th, 10am -1pm. Village Design Statement Consultation, Village Hall.
Sun 8th, Royal British Legion Parade and Act of Remembrance, Village War Memorial.
Tues 10th, 8pm. Osmotherley Show Dominoes, Dog and Gun, Potto.
Fri 13th, 7.30 pm. Ladies Night in aid of pre-school, Village Hall.
Sat 28th, 10am-12pm. Coffee Morning, cakes and Christmas crafts, Methodist Church.
Sat 28th. Sparkle Dance in aid of Pre-School, Village Hall.

Remembrance

October sees the beginning of Remembrancetide with the Poppy Appeal starting on 24th October. Local collectors will be coming round the village and we ask that you give generously. The Legion nationally is heavily involved in helping seriously injured service men and women to recover from wounds received in Afghanistan and we need every penny we can get for this work.

Early November will be a busy time for the local Branch with the dedication of the Field of Remembrance at the War Memorial on Sunday 1st November. Our Poppy Appeal Collectors will be selling remembrance crosses which can be placed in the Field to remember a friend or relative who died in service of their country. Our annual Parade and Act of Remembrance will be on Sunday, 8th November and the National 2 minutes silence will be observed on Wednesday 11th.

Churches Together

The "Harvest in the Barn" thanksgiving took place on Friday evening 18th September in the Winter Barn thanks to the generosity of Miss Louisa Hunter. It was a memorable evening, dry and bright and over 150 people gathered to celebrate the ecumenical act of thanksgiving led by the Rev. Ian Houghton, Father Damian Humphreys and the Rev. Robert Gee and featuring the children of Osmotherley

Primary School. The music was provided by Osmotherley Silver Band who also played later in the evening. The collection amounted to approximately £550 and will be divided between the Farm Crisis Network, the Methodist Sri Lanka Mission and Lara House, the establishment in India supported by the Primary School.

Later everyone could enjoy the excellent Bar-b-que run by

Noel and Tim, the bar organised by the Golden Lion and the "sweet things" buffet looked after by Ann, Joyce, June and Rena. In fact it was a marvellous team and we would like to thank them all.

The next meeting of the Churches Together Committee will be on Wednesday 28th October at 10.00 am in the Catholic Church meeting room.

St Peters Church

The Remembrance Sunday service will be on 8th November. The Act of Remembrance at the Memorial will be led by the Rev. Robert Gee and he will also lead the service in Church. The Advent Service of Lessons and

Carols will be at 6 pm on 29th November with singing led by a choral group. On Christmas Eve there will be a Crib Service at 4 pm and Midnight Mass will start at 11.30 pm. On Christmas Day a service will be held at 4.p.m. led by an

extended family group who are staying at the Youth Hostel. On Sunday 27 December there will be a Benefice Service at Ingleby Arncliffe at 9 am.

The next PCC meeting will be held on 2nd December at Church House at 7.30pm.