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Parish Council News

After 12 years the previous clerk to the parish council Len Cragg, retired and the council appointed John Robinson to the position. Locally born and a passionate Yorkshireman he took up the role on the 1st January. With a tourism and local government background it is hoped that his skills will help the authority move forward.

His first task will involve working with the current www.Osmotherley.org.uk website administrators to include up to date details of the parish council meetings and membership. A move towards open transparent layers of government has meant that more details will appear on the website moving forward and this will hopefully mean more accountability to the general public.

Highways issues as usual are important to everyone in the village and North Yorkshire County Council welcome reporting of issues via its website. From potholes to water leaks its important to report these as soon as seen. Log onto_

http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/reportit and click on the report you wish to make. Note potholes, flooding (including blocked gully's), pavement and tree & hedge and street lighting reports will go straight to the relevant officer at highway's. Potholes need to be a minimum of 40mm in depth for them to be acted upon.

If you want to track roadworks in your area or on your commute to work then log onto http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/30550/Public-notices. This shows both current and future roadworks in your designated area. Have a look it's very good.

Work on the council continues with repairs to the toilets, sorting the leak near the Pinfold, repairing the church wall, repairs to the bus shelter and numerous planning applications including rehousing a heat exchange pump, tanking out a cottage and other approvals supported to extensions to properties within the council area.

If you need to contact John regarding any issues please contact him at clerk.osmotherleyareapc@gmail.com

Community Website (www.osmotherley.org.uk)

Along with the expansion of the council information on the website we want to promote the website as a community resource. There is a lot of information on it at present particularly regarding community groups but we want to make sure this is still up to date and relevant and we're encouraging any groups who don't yet have a presence to contact us and discuss how best we can represent them. We also want to connect to the various village Facebook groups.

If you have any comments/ suggestions/content please contact the administrators:

Eileen Webb 883897, Shona Padbury 883237 or email os.messenger@gmail.com

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Parish Council Meeting

The Council met on Thursday 21st January 2016. The meeting began with issues raised by the Police Community Support Officer. These included incidents on the border of the parish area and the initiatives surrounding drink and drug driving leading up to and over Christmas; a 20% increase over the corresponding period in 2014 was reported. It was highlighted that fish sellers had been noticed in the area and it was agreed that vigilance would be needed by all to ensure that these were genuine.

A discussion introduced by the Chairman, which followed on from last months meeting regarded CCTV cameras. The proposal is to place these around the North Hambleton district ward on private land and property. The council will undertake to assist with the purchase of the required CCTV equipment and make the necessary claim for reimbursement from NYCC.

There were a number of continuing maintenance issues including the toilets, the church wall and the repairs to the bus shelter, which remain outstanding. At West Halsey trees were blocking a footpath, but it was reported that this will be sorted out by the land owner. The steps up to the catholic church were causing problems in the bad weather and it was agreed that this would be investigated further. There were a number of water leaks due to bad weather which were being attended to and the Pinfold water leak had been repaired, but more work was still required to ensure that this is completed.

A village collection to place a commemorative bench for Mr and Mrs Holmes has been made and the parish council had been asked to agree a suitable site for this; it was agreed to place the bench near The Old Hall (Catholic Church).

Planning applications were received from two Osmotherley village properties, one from Sowerby under Cotcliffe and one from Winton and these were supported in principal.

Finally it was noted that the Tour de Yorkshire cycle event would be coming through part of the parish area and Hambleton Council were coordinating efforts in the region to support the event which will have full to coverage this year. Farmers were encouraged to dress fields accordingly to promote the locality. The next meeting is scheduled to be Thursday 18th February at 7:30pm.

OWLS - Osmotherley Woman's Leisure Society- is a group of ladies who enjoy monthly meetings including talks and excursions. There is a small fee of £12,to cover costs of meeting rooms and insurance.

Information regarding the events will be printed in the Osmotherley Messenger. For further details contact Maureen on 883089 or Ann on 883200

50s Plus - Lucky draw winners.

December 2015 - £25.00 Eileen Bellett/ £12.50 Pete Edmonds

January 2016 - £25.00 Janet Stafford/£12.50 Barbara Lee

The next draw will take place at the bingo (February 3^{rd}) We are trying to have 90/100 members – this will have 3 draws – so come along and join up.

Existing members subscriptions due mid Feb/ £12 for the year—any queries please contact: Maureen 883089



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Village Hall seating:an update

As many of you are aware, the Village Hall Committee are currently working on updating the seating for the Village Hall, a prime consideration being enhanced comfort for all!

Sample chairs were obtained last month for us to try out, this proved a useful exercise.

Having encouraged users of the Village Hall to try them out, can we express our gratitude to all those who took

the opportunity to do just that and give your feedback. All your comments were valuable and have been taken account of.

In pursuit of 'the perfect chair', a 'Top Three' has emerged – chairs 4, 6 & 7 for those interested. We are currently having further discussions with the suppliers concerned with a view to very soon, we hope, being able to

reach a final decision.

We are, of course, hoping to select seating that will suit all users, with an understandable 'comfort quotient' for events such as Osmotherley Film's monthly film and OVT's periodic theatre productions where audiences are seated for a lengthy period.

We have to decide whether we've found it! Stay tuned for further news.

IYENGAR YOGA CLASSES

Osmotherley Village Hall

Tuesdays 5.45-7pm
Thursdays 2-3pm,
Thursdays 6- 7.30pm
Friends Meeting House
24 Kirkgate Thirsk
Tuesdays 7.30- 8.30pm
The Forum Northallerton

Tuesdays 12 –1pm Methodist Hall N'allerton

Wed 6.15-7.15pm To book contact: Helen Cameron 01609 883293, 07990784081

News From St. Peter's

On Sunday 3^{rd} January we had the honour to welcome the Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu to the Eucharist Service at St Peter's that morning. This was part of the Pilgrimage he is making around the Diocese.

He began the morning by walking into the village up Clack Bank accompanied by some hardy members of the Congregation (it was wet and windy). He followed in the footsteps of John Wesley by stopping at the village table and addressing his followers. He then came into church and led the Service. The service was a joyous one with the Archbishop giving a rousing and uplifting sermon. The choir sang lustily under the guidance of Chris and Eleanor and the congregation rose to the occasion. Without doubt the visit was an inspiring one and the congregation went home refreshed and enthused.

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday 10th February and to mark its approach on Shrove Tuesday, 9th February, there will be a Pancake Lunch at View Point at 12.30 by invitation of Jackie and Daphne. £10 will buy a savoury and a sweet pancake (with more available). Tickets are limited so please apply quickly Tel 01609-883341.

Quaker Meeting House, 36 West End, Osmotherley

Meeting for Worship held:
First Sunday in the Month 11am
Third Sunday in the Month 3pm (GMT) (4pm BST)
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This month, enjoy the family holiday you may or may not ever have enjoyed!:

WHAT WE DID ON OUR HOLIDAY

[2014] [UK] Cert. 12A 95mins Starring: Billy Connolly, David Tennant, Rosamund Pike

Doug and Abi take their three children on a trip to Scotland for a large family gathering, while harbouring a difficult secret. Inevitable feuds break out and an unexpected turn of events catches everyone off guard. (And never forget that adults and children can view the same world differently at times...)

The Village Hall; Doors open 7.30pm; film starts 8pm For further information (including preview), see our website. Guests welcome (must be 16+ yrs of age): Guest fee £5

To our members, a reminder that this season's 'Members' Choice' vote is underway. If you were not at last month's film, remember to collect and cast your vote at this month's film evening. Don't miss out!

Pre-School Fundraiser

Bric-a-brac sale: 27th Feb, 9am-1pm, Northallerton Town Hall in aid of Osmotherley Primary School and Osmotherley Pre-School.

If anyone is having a preor post-Christmas clear-out, please hold on to things for us to sell at this joint fundraiser. For further details please contact Clare Scott on 883373.

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Dates for your Diary

February

Wed 3rd 7.30pm. Queen Catherine. Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo

Tues 9th 9-10.30am Community Coffee Morning. St. Peters.

Tues 9th 2pm. Methodist Chapel. O.W.L.S Talk by Neville Tate. 'Flight of a 1000 eyes' A charity about blindness particularly in children.

Wed 17th. 12-2pm. Soup Lunch. St. Peters.

Fri 19th 7.30 for 8pm. Village Hall. Osmotherley Film- 'What We Did On Our Holiday' Guests welcome. Guest fee £5

Sat 27th 9am -1pm. Northallerton Town Hall. Bric-a-brac sale

March

Wed 2nd 7:30pm. Queen Catherine Hotel. Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and village bingo"

Tues 8th O.W.L.S. Talk "wines of South Africa" – usual place/time

Wed 2nd 7.30pm. Queen Catherine. Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo Wed 16th. 12-2pm. Soup Lunch. St. Peters.

OSMOTHERLEY COMMUNITY GROUP



In 2016 we aim to continue to provide our regular Community Coffee Mornings and Soup lunches.

On Tuesday, February 9th the community coffee morning will support The Community Bus and on Feb 17th and March 16th our soup lunches will support Osmotherley Village Hall.

The first two soup

lunches of the 2015/16 season raised £400 for St Peter's Church and the January Coffee Morning raised £200 for Osmotherley Pre-School - Thank You.

Following our award for 'Best Community Group in North Yorkshire,' we will be considering how we can best use our prize money to support community development. At the end of 2015 we used some of the award to fund the Christmas Trail and this proved to be very popular with families. Since then we have purchased some additional equipment and ordered new signage to improve our publicity on event days and ensure that wheeled access to St Peter's is clearly indicated. We also hope to provide an afternoon tea during the summer months.

We hope you will continue to share in our events during this year — with your support we will hopefully be able to sustain and extend our activities for the benefit of the whole community

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Osmotherley Community Group now has a Facebook page, where you can keep up to date with planned events and all the news/developments from our group. If you are on Facebook just search for Osmotherley Community Group and 'like' our page, to get all of our updates.