

**Clerk’s report following 22nd November 2021 meeting**

**Follow up to matters arising:**

**Gritting**

Highways have responded with a number of questions. These were forwarded to Metcalfe Farms for their input ahead of the Parish Council meeting. Metcalfe Farms have responded:

We are already an approved NYCC contractor doing snow clearance for them

The salt is sourced from Naylor Myers in big bags which are stored in one of our tractor sheds

The salt is spread by tractor with rear mounted spreader

Someone within Bellerby PC should instruct Metcalfe Farms whenever it needs doing.

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**Tree Survey**

Bellerby Open Gardens have approached the Parish Council to offer financial support for a tree survey around the footways and highways within the village.

***Item added to the agenda***

**Land Registry**

The Local Council First Registration Pilot Project has been postponed until Quarter 3 of financial year 22/23 at the earliest. This is to allow the Land Registry to clear the backlog of compulsory registrations.

**Unitary Authority**

The clerk attended the on-line meeting presented by NYCC. The meeting did not provide any new information on the impact on Parish Councils.

***Presentation and FAQs attached***

**NYCC Parish Portal**

In light of NYCC suggesting an expansion of the scope of the Parish Portal with the development of the new Unitary Authority, the problems experienced were reported as feedback to the PTC team. The issues have now been resolved.

The pothole adjacent to The Lilacs was reported for repair.

**Sub-station Gates – Church Street**

An update has been requested from Northern Powergrid with regard to the renovation of the gates.

**Leyburn Community Support Organisation**

Correspondence has been received from the Lead NYCC Leyburn and District CSO requesting parishes support the Parish Support Group with the increase in Covid levels and the problems of winter weather.

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**Speeding and Footpath**

Zoe Metcalfe is the new PFCC for North Yorkshire and has circulated another survey. A notice was placed on the noticeboard and a copy circulated to Parish Councillors.

Cllr Singleton has continued to lobby North Yorkshire County Council and promote the 20s Plenty campaign message. A Christmas card was delivered to County Hall by the North Yorkshire co-ordinator and representatives from the parishes, including Bellerby, and the campaign was discussed with a Northern Echo journalist.

He has approached parishes in Richmondshire to form a road safety sub-group.

The NYCC Safer Roads Strategy document has been published.

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The following update from Highways has been received with regard to the Safer Roads footpath project:

We are currently investigating all the schemes that were identified within the bid document. Some have moved on and we are discussing the scheme estimates against the allocations within the funding settlement.

Significant data collection is currently underway including traffic data, accident statistics etc and these will be utilised to complete any design proposals.  The design works on all the proposals are at varying stages with for example layby designs and estimates at a point where we are currently assessing these against the awarded funding and the priorities of the County Council to determine a delivery programme.

We are working with WSP on an overall delivery plan with a proposed implementation date of Autumn 2023, if not earlier.

Those schemes that may require consultation, eg changes in waiting limits may take a little longer depending on consultation responses

We are currently holding monthly meetings to provide information to Elected Members and the wider team

A copy of the original funding application has also been received.

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**Great British Spring Clean**

This will take place from **25 March – 10 April 2022.**

**Precept**

The annual precept letter has been submitted to Richmondshire District Council and receipt confirmed.

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**Burial Ground**

An update from MW Waste states that the drain is a foul water drain and it is clear under the burial ground.

An application for grant funding towards the boundary wall has been submitted and confirmation of acceptance received.

**Defibrillator**

The defibrillator readiness status has been confirmed on The Circuit website and acknowledgement received.

**Received from RDC/NYCC**

**Urban Grass Cutting**

The annual urban grass cutting offer has been received.

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**Received from YLCA**

**Nicola Moorcroft**

Sadly Nicola Moorcroft our branch Local Councils Officer is leaving YLCA. Her replacement will be recruited in the new year.

**White Rose Updates**

***Copies attached***

**Training Updates**

***Copies attached***

**Received from Police**

**Dales Police Report**

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