

15/31 Parish Plan Update

A working group have reviewed the previous parish plan and have made some changes to the questionnaire. The questionnaires were to be distributed shortly to obtain residents comments. An updated parish plan will then be formulated based on the comments received.

15/32 Highways Issues

Details were provided in the chairs report. A question was asked by a resident who commented that the road on Balkside required resurfacing. A question was asked about footpath gritting which was discussed. Speed Indicator signs were requested on the main road. A comment was also received about the lack of policing in the village.

15/33 Open Forum

County Cllr C Wood praised the parish councillors for their efforts. She commented that the Police and NYCC statistics show that fix speed signs don't work. She mentioned that the parish council could pay for temporary signs.

An overview of the spending cuts being implemented by NYCC were given, amounting to £174million over eight years with £74.5million to save over the next four years. The care of the elderly was a priority of NYCC.

Cllr C Wood highlighted the improvements made in Fryton, and that a safety improvement scheme at the crossroads was to go ahead sometime during the summer. The main road was to be resurfaced, probably around the same time. Drainage work has been completed on The Lawns.

Residents were asked for their views with a number of questions being asked: A resident if speed bumps could be installed, however overall it was felt people were against these particularly those living next to them.

A resident asked about people's views on Fracking in the area. It was felt that more information was required in order to make an informed judgement, however comments were made by other residents highlighting the risk to underground geology with consequential stability problems and the high risk of contamination to drinking water supplies in the area.

A resident commented that trees on the village green required tidying up around the bases. It was noted that these belonged to Castle Howard.

The chair highlighted that there would be an uncontested election for parish council due to only four people putting their names forward. He advise that there were three vacancies to fill and asked for people to put themselves forward for co-option following the elections in May.

A resident asked why planners were turning down applications. It was noted that these decision were made by RDC planning committee.

A question was asked about NYCC future provision of local bus services. County Cllr C Wood confirmed that bus contracts were under review but no decision have yet been made, although some changes were anticipated.

A question was asked about the future of the mobile library service. County Cllr C Wood understood that the service in this area was to remain, however she agreed to make enquiries and confirm the details.

Contact details for councillors and the clerk were given out.

15/34 The Annual Parish Meeting was closed at 2005 hours, and a special meeting of the Parish Council was opened to discuss urgent business.

15/35 Planning Application

14/01377/FUL: amended application to erect 1 x 4 bedroom and 2 x 3 bedroom dwellings with 2 detached carports, and change of use and alteration of existing outbuilding to form garage and workshop following demolition of existing lean-to outbuilding on land to rear of Hutton Brothers Car Sales, Railway Street, Slingsby. No objections were received.

15/36 Street Light Quotation

It was agreed by all to accept the quotation received from NYCC for the work required to the light on 1 Railway Street, and also to disconnect the power supply to the light on The Lawns.

15/37 The meeting was closed at 2010 hours.

15/38 The next regular meeting including the AGM was arranged for 18th May 2015, starting at 19.00 hours.