

# Melsonby Parish Council

## Parish Council

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## Parish Council Updates

The county council and seven district and borough councils in North Yorkshire have become one – **North Yorkshire Council**. All eight councils have been working together to ensure business continues as usual, with minimal change as services are brought together. The new council will continue to provide the services that are being delivered. The Parish Council has been advised that if you do need to contact the unitary authority from the 1<sup>st</sup> April you should use exactly the same email address or telephone number as previously. Email addresses will no doubt be updated but for now are the best form of contact. You can find more information about at [www.northyorks.gov.uk/new-council-0](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/new-council-0).

**Keeping the Beck clear and trees, shrubs and hedge rows trimmed back to the wall boundaries:** The Parish Council would like to remind residents that hedges, trees and shrubs along the roads and footpaths around the village and into the Beck should remain trimmed. It is the responsibility of residents to ensure they are cut back to their boundary. The Beck needs to remain clear to protect the watercourse.

**Litter Pick:** A community litter pick will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 'Volunteers Day'. For further details please contact Jo [jo.bestford@hotmail.com](mailto:jo.bestford@hotmail.com) or via Facebook

**Melsonby's Coronation Weekend Celebration:** The Parish Council are supporting the community with events and celebrations taking place over the period. Please contact Jo [jo.bestford@hotmail.com](mailto:jo.bestford@hotmail.com) or via Facebook.  
Coronation Medals for all children aged 0-16

### Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Scarecrow competition- BBC theme

Treasure trail

Children's art competition 'The King'

Photo competition

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May

'The Big Lunch'

Duck Race

Games, bouncy castle and face painting

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May

'Volunteer Day'

Village photo on the Green and Village litter pick

Refreshments served in the church for the volunteers from 11am

Bring a neighbour, invite someone along who might like some company, have a chat and a cuppa

**Repair and replacing the benches:** The Parish Council secured a grant to fund 75% to repair and replace the benches around the village. The Parish Council will fund the remaining 25%.

**Melsonby Parish Show** will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2022 – **Save the date**

**Memorial Tree:** The carved tree is situated on the village green. Anyone who lives or has lived in Melsonby may place a plaque on the tree, in memory of a relative or friend who has had connections with the village. The application and full criteria are available to view and download on the Melsonby Parish Council Website [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com). Please contact the Clerk before ordering your plaque.

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## Planning

All planning applications, supporting documentation and correspondence can be viewed on the North Yorkshire Council Public Access Planning Portal at: [North Yorkshire Council Planning Portal](#)

**15/0072/FULL:** Full Planning Permission for Proposed Mixed Use Development for 44 Homes, a Village Hall and a Village Green (As Amended) at **Limegarth, 48 Moor Road**, Melsonby, Richmond, North Yorkshire, DL10 5PE. – no update to date. Please see the previous newsletter for most recent information.

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## Information

**The Blue Book:** It's an information booklet which **provides a summary of activities and support for older people and people living with dementia**. It's called [The Blue Book](#) and is free to anyone. Further information is available to view on [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com)

**The Stepping Up Programme:** Being ran by North Yorkshire Police and North Yorkshire Sport and referrals can be made direct to the scheme. Stepping up is an early intervention and prevention programme for young people beginning to show signs of engaging in risky behaviour. This may be appearing at School, Home or within the local community.

**No Cold Calling Signs:** The Parish Council have no cold calling stickers that residents can display in their homes. The stickers are available to pick up from the information Centre (old phone box).

**Stokesley and District Community Care Assoc:** Operate a Community Car Scheme in our area. The scheme offers to help people who are unable to access public transport due to disability, age or where they live. For further information please contact Tel: 01642 710190 or visit Website: [www.stokesleycca.org.uk](http://www.stokesleycca.org.uk)

**LWB Service:** The Richmondshire Rovers bus service offers local journeys in and around Hawes, Wensleydale and North Yorkshire - Making life mobile for everyone. This service is available for everyone to use. For further information and to view the timetable please visit [www.littlewhitebus.co.uk](http://www.littlewhitebus.co.uk) A timetable is displayed on the Parish Council Notice Board.

**Welcome packs:** The Parish Council has a welcome pack for newcomers to the village. It is available to view and download on the Melsonby Parish Website. If you would like a paper copy, please contact Judith Stansfield [melsonbyPCjcs@gmail.com](mailto:melsonbyPCjcs@gmail.com) or 718139.

**Village Lending Library:** This service will be offered as a book and jigsaw sharing service library, independent of the county library service. The service is available to access in the St James' Church, Melsonby.

**Outreach Postal Service and Coffee Mornings:** The postal service will be in the Church most Fridays from 10am – 12 noon. Coffee, tea, biscuits and sometimes cake and a chat are now available on Fridays from 10-12 noon.

**Dog Owners:** Dog owners are reminded that for health reasons, the children's play areas are out of bounds to dog walkers unless they are service dogs.

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## Crime update

**The latest crime bulletin:** To view the latest crime report, please visit [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com). PCSO Elliot Brown is covering Melsonby and surrounding areas. He attended the last Parish Council meeting and introduced himself and hopes to attend future meetings. This will be dependent on his workload and Rota.

**County Lines** is a police campaign which aims to raise awareness of a **criminal activity**. This is when criminals from major cities expand their drug networks to small market towns. This is a foremost priority for North Yorkshire Police and information from members of the public is invaluable in helping them safeguard vulnerable people. For further information please visit the North Yorkshire Police website <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/what-we-do/tackling-crime/county-lines-drug-dealing/>

**Thank you to parishioners for their attendance at Parish Council Meetings and we hope that residents continue to support the work of the Parish Council. The annual meeting of the Parish Council is on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7.00 pm followed by the ordinary general meeting at 7.30pm in the St James Church meeting room. All are welcome to attend. The full minutes of previous meetings can be viewed on the Parish website [www.melsonbypc.com](http://www.melsonbypc.com)**