

Nether Poppleton Parish Council Newsletter - February 2015

Welcome

Welcome to the Nether Poppleton Parish Council Newsletter. This edition includes an update on the Neighbourhood Plan, warns of bus service cuts and launches our new website. Please note that we are looking for new councillors this year, please see inside for more details.

We welcome feedback and if you would like to respond to anything in this newsletter or if there is something which is particularly bothering you, please let us know. Our contact details can be found on the back page.

New Bus Shelter

A brand new bus shelter on Millfield Lane was installed in October. The Nether Poppleton Parish Council funded the shelter and will be responsible for the maintenance.

The bus shelter is particularly popular with the residents of Poppleton Park.



Neighbourhood Plan



A committee of councillors from Nether and Upper Poppleton have worked together to produce a Draft Neighbourhood Plan. The plan is based on the information supplied by residents from the questionnaire that was distributed in October 2014.

The Plan is not against housing rather it supports development of Brown Field Sites as a priority over Grade 1 agricultural land and greenbelt land.

The pre-submission consultation draft plan, maps, policies and aerial photographs can be viewed at www.plan4poppleton.co.uk and your thoughts, responses, support or objections to the policies can be submitted to info@plan4poppleton.co.uk

The aim of the Neighbourhood Plan is to manage change in the village and its designated area, not to prevent change. Future developments should be sympathetic, unobtrusive and in keeping with its rural environment and surrounding.

The 10 policies will form the basis of planning for the area in the absence of a local Plan

See also the enclosed insert.

New Adventure Playground



There is a great idea developing to improve the play facilities at the Poppleton Centre which will extend the area and include equipment for older children as well as new equipment for toddlers and infant age children.

Both Nether and Upper Poppleton Parish Councils are delighted to support this and some funding has already been set aside. A group of Poppleton parents are actively taking this idea forward and is meeting on a regular basis.

A consultation exercise involving all interested groups on both villages is planned for the spring and will hopefully culminate in May 2015.

Bus Services

The Sunday to Thursday **evening** Transdev number 10 bus service is subsidised by the City of York Council. This subsidy was reviewed at a recent City of York Council meeting and deferred.

The evening service is vital for particularly young people in order to access cultural evening events in the city.

The message is **use it or lose it!**



Trim That Hedge!



We are politely asking residents to keep their edges trimmed and so they do not grow over the footpaths. Overgrown hedges make it particularly difficult for wheelchair, motorised buggy and pushchair users to get around.

February is an ideal time to get that unruly hedge trimmed before birds start nesting in March.

Did you know that the City of York Council could serve a hedge cutting notice requiring hedges to be cut back within 28 days. This could be enforceable in court. If a hedge is causing a serious problem, City of York Council may have the works carried out and then bill the landowner for the work.

Verge Protection

The Parish Council recently installed wooden bollards in order to protect the triangle at the junction of Ousemoor Lane and Main St.



May Elections — New Councillors Needed

Yes we need you! Some Parish Councillors are standing down in May, and therefore we need people who are willing to become a councillor to be ready to put their names forward. What are you waiting for please call / email James, our clerk right away!



Do You Have a Private Pumping Station?

On 1 October 2016 Yorkshire Water will become responsible for private pumping stations in Yorkshire that meet the eligibility criteria. To prepare they need to locate all the private pumping stations and carry out detailed surveys on them should they need to bring them up to standard.

Pumping stations help pump waste water from properties to the nearest sewage treatment works. They could be located in back gardens or on land next to homes and businesses. Normally you will only see the steel access covers and a kiosk, usually green, which contains the electrical control equipment for the pumps.

Please go to www.yorkshirewater.com for more information.

Yorkshire in Bloom



Following our success in achieving another Silver Gilt Award in 2014, we are going for **GOLD** this year! Both Parish Councils are supporting this. Please do your bit and try to keep the village (and your own garden) clean, tidy and blooming! Anyone interested in getting involved should contact Mike Walker either by email micky.popp@virginmedia.com or phone 01904 790780.

Nether Poppleton Spring Clean Litter Pick Day Saturday 21 March

There will be a litter pick on Saturday 21 March 2015 at 1 o'clock. We plan to give Nether a deep spring clean. Please come and join your councillors. Meet outside the shops on Allerton Drive. All equipment will be provided. Please come and join us to help keep your village tidy in preparation for Yorkshire in Bloom Spring judging.



Long Ridge Lane Traffic Calming Consultation



The temporary bollards on the Nether Poppleton section of Long Ridge Lane have been removed by the City of York Council. Those temporary measures were specifically provided for the duration of the A59 Roundabout and Park and Ride construction.

We are interested in views from residents on Long Ridge Lane on whether permanent traffic calming measures are desired. Please use the feedback form overleaf and share your views.

Crime Down 19%

**HOW SAFE
IS
YOUR SHED?**

Reported Crime incidents show that there is a reduction of 19% compared to this time last year.

However, sheds, garages and outbuildings are the most vulnerable places for forced entry. Are yours secure?

Please help keep an eye open for strangers or people taking a particular interest in a property.

Contact Us

If you need to contact the Parish Council.

Correspondence should be directed to:

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Nether Poppleton,
York,
YO26 6RG.

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New Web Site



We will launch the new Nether Poppleton Parish Council web site in March

The new site will provide more information, for example village news, how to contact your councillors. A link will be provided to our twitter account— if you are not a twitter user you can read all our tweets via the website.

We are working to include links to other village web sites. Please bookmark the new site:

netherpoppletonpc.org.uk

Please follow us on twitter @Nether Popp PC



Please let Nether Poppleton Parish Council know your views:

Name Tel:.....

Address:

Email:

Comments.....

Please detach and return to the Clerk at: 39 Calder Avenue, Nether Poppleton, York, YO26 6RG.