

MAIN POINTS FROM MEETING OF SOWERBY PARISH COUNCIL ON 13th MARCH 2014

- The period of closure of the B1448 road near the Gateway whilst it is resurfaced has been delayed. The work must be co-ordinated with that of the Highways Agency which is to be undertaking carriageway resurfacing on the A168. In the meantime the traffic lights will be removed
- There will be some HGV traffic out of necessity on Gravel Hole Lane and in the village because of the sewage works in Back Lane. However contractors for the main Gateway site have been asked to avoid using the village roads.
- Illegal Parking. Cars should not be parked within 10 metres of any junction. The Police have been asked to take action to reinforce this rule where obstruction is being caused by incorrectly parked vehicles, particularly around the crossroads at Front Street, Blakey Lane, Gravel Hole Lane and Back Lane.
- Parking illegally on footpaths. Pedestrians should not have to walk in the road whilst motorists park on pavements. Please be considerate. This practice is very prevalent around the Fish and Shop!
- Speeding invalid scooters. A few drivers of these machines are driving excessively fast and causing concern and potential danger to pedestrians.
- The Extra Care Facility off Gravel Hole Lane has been approved and work will commence in May 2014 and be completed by October 2015. Includes 64 self-contained apartments and 26 bungalows. The entrance will be purely for the facility.
- Some remedial tree work near Pack Horse Bridge and in the Lime Avenue is planned for early April. Any trees removed at World's End will be replaced.
- Further repairs to roads within the village Greens will be carried out in late April. Householders will be advised beforehand.
- Dog walkers are urged to pick up their dog's mess. The fouling is very bad at the moment and as well as being unpleasant it is illegal and is a fineable offence. Villagers are asked to try to get photographic evidence of the offenders or even just a description of the owners and their dogs. Please let the Clerk have details (but not the droppings!) clerk@sowerbyparishcouncil.org.uk.
- How lovely to see the beautiful photograph of St. Oswald's Churchyard taken by John Carrington, featuring on the BBC National weather forecasts!
- There will not be a Council meeting in August 2014.
- The next meeting will be on April 10th 2014.