

MAIN POINTS FROM THE MAY 9th AGM AND ORDINARY MEETING OF SOWERBY PARISH COUNCIL

- The Parish Council's new website has been launched.
www.sowerbyparishcouncil.org.uk
- Cllr. Bill Austin was elected as Chairman and Cllr. Peter Bardon was elected as Vice Chairman.
- The Chairman thanked Cllr Robson who was elected Chairman over 20 years ago and on and off since then, for all of the support and hard work that he had given to Sowerby as Chairman of the Parish Council but understood that it was now necessary for him to step down from the Chair so as there would not be conflicts of interest with his new role as Leader at Hambleton District Council.
- County Councillor Baker was welcomed as the County Councillor for Sowerby. He would try to get work done to overgrown hedge on Blakey Lane.
- Litter is a major problem and residents are urged to clean up and encourage others not to drop it. The Council will need to look at ways of dealing with it. Bird proof bins will be investigated for the play area.
- Repairs to cobbles in Thirsk Market Place have been influenced by poor weather but are progressing now.
- Play Area. Work now finished apart from some repair work.
- Copies of the Village Bye Laws and a letter about driving and parking on the Greens had been circulated to all Front Street residents.
- Another round of resurfacing roadways on the Greens was about to commence. 112/134 Front Street.
- The road to the tip has been resurfaced.
- Residents are urged to trim back hedges and trees which cause danger and obstruction for passers by.
- SowerbyNOW will no longer be published.
- Thirsk and Sowerby Leisure Centre dry side changing facilities are to be upgraded.
- Resurfacing works commencing on 13th May on Northbound lane of A19 from south of Blakey Lane junction to the A170 York Road junction from 7pm during night time hours. Road to be closed. Duration one week.
- Temporary 30mph speed limit on B1448 Topcliffe Road from 10th June for 4 months.