

MAIN POINTS FROM MEETING OF SOWERBY PARISH COUNCIL ON 11TH OCTOBER 2013

- House holders are urged to make sure that their hedges and trees are not obstructing pavements, road signs and street lights. Grateful thanks to those householders who have had work done and improved matters for everyone.
- The Royal British Legion Remembrance Service and Parade will take place on 10th November. Service at 9.15am for a 9.30am start at St. Mary's Church, Thirsk and Silence and wreath laying at Sowerby Cenotaph at 10.50 am.
- 16th October. Rural Arts 2pm – 7pm. Consultation regarding redevelopment of land to the east of Topcliffe Road for 26 Bungalows and an Extra Care Scheme. Call in and give your views.
- RAF. Increased Aircraft activity at RAF Leeming and mock explosions throughout early and mid October with some night time activity.
- Where possible please don't park over roadside drain covers. There are countless drains in the village that the gulley suckers can never access.
- Part Night Lighting. All residents should have received a flier indicating that many street lights are to be turned off between midnight and 5am. A map showing which are affected will be displayed in the Council Office window at 3 Sowerby Road. For any comments or further information contact www.northyorks.gov.uk/streetlighting or 0845 8727374 or write to County Hall, Northallerton, DL7 8AD as soon as possible. The Parish Council will ask that some street lights be left on all night on the Flatts Walk in the name of safety.
- Proposed Reduction to Bus Subsidies. Many local subsidised bus services including the Thirsk/Sowerby/Norby/Hambleton Estate service and the Thirsk to Railway Station service are proposed to be removed. Please see the North Yorkshire County Council website for specific details for this area or look at the documentation in the Parish Council window. All comments should be returned to NYCC by 25th November. Changes will come in to effect from 7th April 2014. Email passenger.transport@northyorks.gov.uk or phone 084 58 72737. Paper copies available from Library and Tourist Information Centre. If you want to retain the service you **must** make your opinion known. The Parish Council has requested that the services be retained.
- Carol Singing around Sowerby Christmas Tree. 17th December at 7pm .
- Parking will be free in Thirsk Market Place over part of the Christmas period. Full details in November.
- NYCC have promised that outstanding works to potholes and yellow lining will be carried out, but regrettably no timescale is given.
- Complaints were received about speeding traffic on Blakey Lane.
- 90% of North Yorkshire should be covered by superfast broadband by the end of 2014.
- The Police are to increase patrols in the run up to Halloween and Bonfire Night to deter anti social behaviour.