

## MAIN POINTS FROM MEETING OF SOWERBY PARISH COUNCIL ON 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2015

- Congratulations were extended to Councillors Robson and Bardon for being elected to Hambleton District Council for the new Sowerby and Topcliffe Ward.
- Cllr. Bill Austin was elected Chairman of Sowerby Parish Council and Cllr Robson as Vice Chairman.
- A vacancy exists for a Councillor on Sowerby Parish Council and co-option procedures will be advertised. Interest in co-option to be submitted to the Clerk by 26<sup>th</sup> June 2015.
- Concern was again raised about the parking of a large number of vehicles opposite the Galliford Try construction site on Gravel Hole Lane. The land belongs to the County Council which has given them permission to park there, but Cllr Robson has received an assurance on behalf of the Parish that once the work has been completed the contractors will make good any damage to grass and bulbs.
- Concern about dangerous obstruction was also raised by Mr Bird concerning inconsiderate parking by car owners along Gravel Hole Lane near Kings Meadows. There are similar problems at the cross road with Back Lane. The NYCC have been advised of the concern and the Parish Council confirmed that they have been pushing for double yellow lines at the cross road for a number of years. The Police have been informed and are monitoring the situation and talking with householders.
- Reminder that allowing dog fouling is inexcusable. Please pick it up. The Dog Warden is visiting Sowerby fairly regularly and prosecutions have been made throughout Hambleton.
- Reminder that the play area equipment is for young users and not adults. Please use the litter bins or take your rubbish home. Closing time for the play area should be respected please. Some groups of youngsters seem to think it will be fun to get locked in. North Yorkshire Police will be keeping an eye on the Play Park and Memorial Park for improper use of the public areas.
- Residents are urged not to park on pavements. It is illegal and dangerous. Wheel chair users and pram pushers struggle.
- If residents have their own drive please use it to park, to free up roadside areas.
- Swimming Pool Car Park is reserved for users of the Leisure Centre and The Flatts. This ruling is contravened on a regular basis but measures are being taken to enforce the rules.
- The next meeting of Sowerby Parish Council will be on June 11<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 7.30pm.