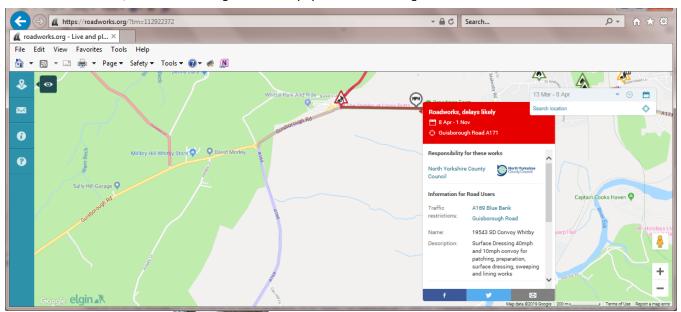




Roadworks! You are able to view live information on roadworks throughout the county by visiting the website and typing in the location you are interested in: https://roadworks.org/

NYCC has notified the parish council that letters will be sent to all residents regarding the closure of the A169 for carriage resurfacing between Fairhead and Eskdaleside starting the evening of the 27th March 2019 for approximately 2 weeks (weather permitting) with works been undertaken between 1830hrs and 0600 hours. Diversion signs will be in place via Scarborough.

Additionally, there will be staged surface dressing from the A169 Blue Bank to Guisborough Road over the period 8 April 2019 and 1st November 2019, with traffic managed via convoy system and traffic lights.



Maintenance: The parish council has recently refurbished the noticeboard near Sleights Railway Station, which will hopefully ensure its longevity and improve the visibility of notices for residents and visitors alike to read.

Allerton Waste Recovery Park offers residents, community groups and schools the chance to visit the site and learn more about waste recovery. Look at their website for more information on how to book a visit: https://wasteservices.amey.co.uk/where-we-work/north-yorkshire/community-and-education/education-and-visitor-centre/

Keep Britain Tidy are promoting the Great British Spring Clean between the 22 March and 23 April 2019! Visit the website for more details or to pledge to host a tidy up: https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/get-involved/support-our-campaigns/great-british-spring-clean

"We are calling on #LitterHeroes across the country to help improve the environment on their doorstep. We're aiming to inspire 500,000 people to join forces - in partnership with community organisations, businesses and the government - to collect and safely dispose of litter from our streets, parks and beaches, recycling as much as possible."

Parish Council Reporting Issues: The following is a list of some of the issues raised by parishioners, and the Clerk has either given advice on who to contact or taken up with the appropriate authorities under delegated powers:

- Maps of Footpaths in the Sleights and surrounding area
- Telephone box near car park unclean
- Street Lighting Echo Hill (private road)
- Speed Limit Signs Briggswath (from A169) turned round
- Gullies
- Footpath Briggswath
- Chamber opposite 17 Carr Hill Lane
- Esk Road Bridge Crash Barrier

War Memorial: Due to erosion over the years the railings and gate at the war memorial have gotten into disrepair. The parish council is arranging for a local blacksmith to replace the railings and gate on a like for like basis.



Church Gravestones: The parish council has received the following statement from The Diocese of York:

Church apologises for levelling of gravestones in Sleights

The Vicar of Lower Esk has apologised to residents and family members distressed by the levelling of approximately 75 gravestones in the Churchyard in St John's Churchyard, Sleights, last week. The Reverend Veronica Carolan said, "We are deeply sorry this situation has arisen and fully appreciate the distress it has caused to the village and especially to the families of those buried in the Churchyard. We have undertaken a great deal of work in the last year to improve the Churchyard, including clearing the oldest part of trees and scrub. We were concerned to ensure the safety of the memorial headstones after some recent extreme weather, but we now realise that the way we approached this issue was not correct. We will now be working with advice from the Diocese of York to ensure that a suitable programme of restoration is enacted as soon as possible. The Parochial Church Council is keen to re-establish goodwill, and to invite families to work with the Parish volunteers who are trying to keep the churchyard in good order."

Churchyard safety is the responsibility of the local Parochial Church Council (PCC), a voluntary body established by law and elected by the church members of the parish, acting within a legal framework and with advice from the Diocese of York. The Assistant Archdeacon of Cleveland, Canon Peter Bristow, is now working with the PCC to determine a way forward.

Sleights FC Fixtures:

FIXTURES (all 2pm kick-offs):



MARCH

Sat 16th v Kirkbymoorside Res H BTL1 Sat 23rd v Filey Res A HCSF Sat 30th v Heslerton A BLT1

APRIL

Sat 6th v Rosedale A BLT1 Sat 13th v Kirkbymoorside Res A BLT1 Sat 20th v Heslerton H BLT1 Sat 27th v Kirkdale H BLT1

For more information visit website: http://www.sleightsfc.co.uk/

Dropped Kerbs, Ingham Close: Following a request by the parish council due to concerns raised by residents last year, we can report that NYCC have now installed a new set of dropped kerbs along Ingham Close.

Youth Advisor: In the autumn of 2018 the parish council welcomed on board a new Youth Advisor in Amelia Braim. It is hoped she will build on the work of her predecessor, and help the parish council move forward in taking on board the issues of the youth of the parish and facilitating improvements through liaising with North Yorkshire Youth and local schools. She will be in post for two years whilst she is undertaking her A levels at Caedmon College.

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