

# Parish News

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Eskdaleside-cum-Ugglebarnby



## Sleights Conservation Projects Group

**update from Colin Nelson:** "Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the spring 'community litter pick-up' in April. We walked from Sleights Village Hall along the A169. We filled several sacks with litter and rubbish including glass bottles, drink cans, plastic bottles and bags. It was

a lovely spring day and a pleasure to meet people and do a little bit to tidy this part of our village. The event was supported by Scarborough Borough Council who provided us with plastic sacks, gloves, litter grabbers and high visibility jackets. A special thank you to Dave Tate and Pat Perry from our Parish Council who helped us on the day.

We hope to organise an Autumn litter pick and other projects including bulb planting later in the year. Our aim is to improve our local environment with small projects to benefit our community. If you are able to help in future projects please contact Colin: 01947 811933."

**Contacting the police:** Residents wishing to contact local police should dial 101 and choose Option 2. Ask for the officer by name or by collar number:

Lynne Butler PCSO 5546 or Darren Mortimer PCSO 0475

Or

Write: The Police Station, Spring Hill, Whitby, YO21 1ED

Or

Email: [SNWhitby@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:SNWhitby@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk)

To report ASBOs call either the number above or SBC 01723 232323

**Wildflower project—Coach Road:** Seeds have now been sown. It will take some time to establish the wildflower verge, but it is hoped that this project, funded by the Parish Council, will give pleasure to residents and visitors alike.

**Blood donors needed:** Anyone between the ages of 17 and 65 and weighing more than 50kg who is in good health can become a blood donor. For more information or to book an appointment call the Donor Line on 0300 1232323. You could save a life.



**Dog Fouling:** If anyone witnesses someone not picking up after their dog in a public place please report to the Dog Warden either via

email: [dog.warden@scarborough.gov.uk](mailto:dog.warden@scarborough.gov.uk) or telephone: Customer Service: 01723 232323.

**Toilets to stay open:** Residents concerned about SBC's plans to close a number of village toilets can be reassured that the toilets on Eskdaleside are not affected as these are managed by the Parish Council. They will remain open until the proposed new toilets adjacent the car park in the middle of the village are in operation.



## Coach Road resurfacing

**update:** Since the last edition of the

newsletter the Parish Council has received the excellent news that money has now been found to allow resurfacing of the A169 from Sleights Bridge to the Iburndale Lane junction. Furthermore, there will be some kerb widening outside the Spar to improve access to the village shops. It is believed that funding has come from £3.2m allocated to NYCC from Central Government to improve highways and reduce potholes. It is possible that other roads within the parish may benefit from this scheme.

**Cut your energy prices:** Residents may not be aware that under the Government's Energy Companies Obligation, energy suppliers are obliged to improve the energy efficiency of our homes by funding the installation of energy efficient measures such as cavity wall or loft insulation, which helps to reduce fuel bills. A free survey of the property will determine whether the householder qualifies. Rules have been relaxed so that you do not need to be on benefits to take advantage of this scheme. For further information look at the Government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/energy-company-obligation>

**Litterbugs beware!** New regulations are to be introduced before next year's election to allow councils to issue a civil penalty to the keeper of the vehicle when litter is thrown from it.



**Ash dieback:** There are now 644 cases of Ash dieback reported in the UK and incidences have been confirmed as near as Hornsea. If you should see any affected trees please contact SBC Parks Department or the Forestry Commission 08459 33 55 77 or email [plant.health@forestry.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:plant.health@forestry.gsi.gov.uk)

**Make your contribution to the Parish Council Website:** The Parish Council website is up and running. If you wish to advertise group events to a wider audience and help to make the website a valuable resource, please contact the Parish Clerk in the first instance via phone: 07791889737 or email: esk.ugg@gmail.com.

**Sleights Show:** The Parish Council will be hoping to meet parishioners at Sleights Show. This is a much anticipated village occasion and one of the few times when residents gather together as a community.

The show takes place on Saturday 16th August. If anyone can offer help on the day, or with setting up the tents, please contact the secretary on 01947 600177. All offers will be gratefully received.



#### **North York Moors—volunteers need:**

The National Park will have seen its grant from DEFRA cut by 40% over a 5 year period. Since this grant accounts for some 80% of its income, it is inevitable that staffing levels will need to be cut.

This places added emphasis on the need for volunteers to help keep services running. To find out how you can help, go to [www.northyorkmoors.org.uk/caring/volunteers](http://www.northyorkmoors.org.uk/caring/volunteers) or call 01439 772700.

Volunteers will be supported by existing staff and will be able to contribute in a variety of ways from meeting and greeting visitors, helping with enquiries, and assisting in the shop to helping with special events or with general maintenance and upkeep of the grounds at the Moors Centre, Danby.

**Parish Plan:** Enclosed with this newsletter is a copy of the review of the 2008—2013 Parish Plan. We are hoping that residents of the parish will once again contribute towards the formulation of the next Parish Plan by using the broad headings to list three areas which you would most like the parish council to develop, giving specific suggestions. Details on how to respond are on the enclosed leaflet, and the closing date for suggestions is the 31st July 2014.



**Station Volunteers:** Volunteers are once again active and each year shows an improvement in the appearance of the station area, which is much appreciated by local people and visitors. Several new planters have been bought to enhance the floral display. The Sleights Station Improvement Group are most grateful to the Parish Council for a generous grant which enabled this purchase.



#### **Briggswath/Chicane Junction**

**Improvements:** NYCC have advised that the recommendations will be undertaken in the 2014/15 financial year, although a date has not been finalised.

**Village Correspondent:** Just a reminder that the new Village Correspondent for the Whitby Gazette is Barbara Blackman who can be contacted at:

Email: [barbara@wizardadmin.co.uk](mailto:barbara@wizardadmin.co.uk)  
Or  
Phone: 07885705118

Please let her know if you wish to advertise in the Gazette. However, Barbara would like it to be known that there are occasions when she sends in material which is not printed. Unfortunately, she has no control over this situation.



**Age UK—community link workers:** Drop in sessions for the over 50's are available in Whitby

as part of the service offered by Scarborough and District Age UK. Sessions take place on Mondays 1.30-3.30pm on the first floor at Church House on Flowergate. Advice is given on benefits, money, social care, housing etc. Home visits can be arranged. Call Ian Scolah on 01723 379058.



#### **Councillors**

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