

NEWSLETTER NO. 9 - PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE - JUNE, 2017

Planning Update:

As you are aware there are a number of planning applications that are currently affecting our Parish and it may be useful for you to know what stage we are at.

Story homes are currently consulting on their plans for the Jomast site for the land South of Kirklevington. The Parish Council and Kirklevington Action Group have been in discussions with the builders about a number of issues relating to the site, access and other ancillary issues such as the proposed bus service and shop. We will know shortly what their finalised plans are to be.

Whilst Theakstons have permission to build on the land South of Yarm School playing fields, we have had no further contact from them to date. Both the Duchy Homes development adjacent to Jasmine Fields and Banks Development have yet to go to the Planning Committee.

There are a number of other smaller applications for house building in the pipeline. Braeside, Grove Bank and Springfield Grove will be affected by these proposed developments.

The Parish Council are continuing to monitor the developments along Green Lane as the new housing estates are being built. In recent weeks we have been made aware of a further potential development of 495 homes west of Morley Carr and opposite the Tall Trees, Green Lane which is within Yarm Parish but will have a knock on effect on out Parish. It feels at times that we are being singled out for development in the South of Yarm. The impact on our roads, environment, services and quality of life is being felt already!

We have a number of minor issues which continue to affect the Parish. We have received a number of complaints about inconsiderate parking in Forest Lane, Springfield Close, near the pub, the school and also The Green. With an increasing number of children in the village, we all need to be aware of safety issues. The number of reports of dog fouling is also growing. Please be responsible citizens and clear up after you animals.

I am stepping down as Chair of the Parish Council after 10 years service, and Chair for 7 years. Most will know that I am training as a Reader in the church and that must now be my priority. Thank you to all who have supported me over the years. We need new 'younger blood' on the Parish Council and would encourage those who have time and interest to put themselves forward for this diverse and interesting community organisation.

Kirkfest is almost upon us again! Details can be found overleaf. Please support as many activities as possible. Any more scarecrows out there?? Also tickets for the Wine and Cheese evening are still available.

Kate Brown - Retiring Chair of Kirklevington and Castle Leavington Parish Council

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