

New councillor co-option

In conclusion to the posted Notice of Vacancy and following the resignation of Cliff Trotter, councillors were delighted to receive an expression of interest from Lucy Phipps, who has been a long-term resident in the parish. She attended the April meeting and was unanimously co-opted when councillors warmly welcomed her to the Parish Council.

New website

This is still a work-in-progress, but councillors felt it important as a communication tool that it becomes live as soon as is possible. Further photographic amendments await to be uploaded with much text and document content amendments and update yet to be progressed. We will inform you as soon as this is live and hope very much for your patience in its further development.

Council financial status

The 2024-25 Outturn Statement together with the 2025-26 Budget were approved at the April meeting with these documents to be uploaded to the current website.

Confirmation and invitation to the following events:



Thursday 8th May V E Day 80 Beacon Lighting commemorative event in St Robert's churchyard – attendees are invited to gather in St Robert's Church car park at 8.45pm when refreshments (no food!) will be provided and a musical provision will be made. The proclamation will be read at 9pm and "I vow to thee, my country" sheets will be circulated followed by the lighting of the beacon – as nationally recognised – at 9.30pm. In consideration of our environmental awareness, although recyclable cups will be available may we please ask, if possible, for you to bring your own drinking vessels? Pint drinking glasses may be viewed with some scepticism! This will also save on washing up! Thank you.

Sunday 11th May Family Fun Day on Pannal Green 12 noon-5pm – arrangements are very much inhand for what we hope will be a well-attended event based on, but with developments made, the last twoyear occasions. If the weather could bless us as it did last year, we will be very happy. We very much look forward to seeing you all and please look out for the posters which will be placed round the parish.

Thursday 15th May Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm in the Function Room of Pannal Village Hall – following consideration, we can inform you that the Agenda will cover 1) this year's project elements from your Neighbourhood Plan, 2) the developing NYC Local Plan and 3) any known and current situation

regarding NYC's "call for sites". Please attend this meeting which is convened for you and will provide you with the opportunity to learn from your councillors regarding the above points. May we ask you to let us know of any questions that you would like addressing in order that we may be well-prepared? Please send your questions to Jane, our clerk, at parishclerk@pannalandburnbridge-pc.gov.uk.

Community Speedwatch

As our appreciated organiser of Community Speedwatch, Mrs Ethne Bartup (email address <u>ethne1@ntlworld.com</u>) would very much like to hear from any resident who could spare a little time in supporting and participating in these sessions. Occasional dates are organised for 3-4 people to position themselves at strategic points in the parish to monitor the speed of traffic.

Your help will be much appreciated in recognising that the villages continue to come under threat from the considerable amount of traffic which passes through our area and often at excessive speeds. You may well know how successful the SID (speed indicator devices) placements are in the parish and the benefit they have brought to the area. It would be prudent and practical to assess via CSW the real experience in certain parish areas and which may not have had the placement of our SIDs (Speed Indicator Devices).

Please do come forward.

Litter Pick Saturday 12th April – kindly organized by Mrs Liz Brown who reports below:

"A great turn out for the litter pick on Saturday. Approx 15 people turned up and we managed around 30 bags. The photo shows less as my neighbours took 4 more later in the day from Follifoot Road. Thank you to everyone who turned up and supported me and particularly those who do random litter picks throughout the year. Look forward to seeing everyone again in September/October."

Councillors are truly appreciative of Liz's biannual organisation of this event which inevitably – and sadly – produces a horrific amount of rubbish from within a small area. Our many thanks to you.



NYC informed changes to waste collection days in the Harrogate area

"To ensure our waste and recycling service remains as efficient as possible, and provides a consistent approach across North Yorkshire, we are making some improvements to our collections in the Harrogate area in the coming weeks. They will now take place between Tuesdays and Fridays, which will allow us to provide a more reliable service and also reduce the need for bank holiday disruptions, providing a more consistent service.

As a result, the majority of residents in what was the Harrogate borough will receive a letter in the coming days explaining what their new collection day will be for both rubbish and recycling from the week commencing Monday 21 April. The letter also provides further details about how to check collection days,

what time rubbish or recycling should be presented, and what they can do if they need any further information. Prior to the week of the changes, we will also text residents (for those who we have contact information for) to ensure they are aware of their next collection."

Best wishes

Cllr Cathy Burrell (Chairman of the Parish Council), Cllr Neil Permain (Vice Chairman) and Councillors Steve Cobb, Andrew Farrar, El Sharkey, Helen Hayes and Lucy Phipps

For reference, the most recent newsletter is always posted on the Village Notice Board (at the Village Hall) and all newsletters are posted on the website here: <u>http://www.pannalandburnbridge-pc.gov.uk/Documents.aspx</u>

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