

CLIFTON (WITHOUT) PARISH COUNCIL

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The parish council would like to wish all residents a happy and prosperous New Year.

Council Members

In August 2014 the Council was saddened to receive the resignation of Carol Crouch. The council would like to thank Carol for her hard work whilst serving as a Councillor and wish her all the best in the future.

At the end of the year the Council welcomed two new members, Jenny Smailes and Derek Wann. The council is very excited to have two new members who will bring new ideas and opinions to the Council and we look forward to working with them in 2015.

Website

During 2014 the Council re launched its website and we are very happy with the way it looks. We have introduced new aspects to the website, including the addition of the monthly police crime statistics.



If there is anything you would like to see included on the website please contact us to see if we can facilitate your request.

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KEEP YOUR HOME SAFE



Your local **Safer Neighbourhood Police Team**

would like to remind local residents of the importance of securing your home and property.

You may not have been a victim of a crime but some simple security measures can help to make sure you and your property are as safe as possible.

Consider extra security measures such as:

- Make sure your house is as secure as possible. Consider fitting an alarm, window locks, extra door locks.
- Extra locks and security are much cheaper than replacing expensive items. For garages ground level T-bar locks are very effective (approx £40).
- Be aware of unknown callers at your door. Always ask for ID. If unsure close your door politely and call the company involved or if necessary the police.
- Don't leave garage and shed doors open when not inside. Sneak in burglaries are very common and only take seconds to carry out. Lock any cycles together to make them harder to steal.
- Install good exterior lighting especially covering secluded areas. Use timers on interior lamps when out so it looks like somebody is at home.
- Replace door hinge screws on sheds and garages with security screws or simply "round off" original screws with an old drill bit. Key fob remote control shed/garage alarm (approx £5-10) are an excellent idea.
- If your garage contains particularly expensive items home CCTV can be installed and can be purchased from any good DIY store.
- Fit a good quality safe. Use this to keep expensive items such as jewellery and also important documents or paper

work. Fireproof safes are the best option but are slightly more expensive.

- Never leave keys to motor vehicles on display in your house, hide them away in a safe place at night. It only takes a second to steal your keys and drive away your vehicle. In some cases insurance companies pay out.

These measures would make it more difficult for an offender to take or damage your property, but more importantly they would be a very effective visual deterrent.

If you have any questions or require a visit to discuss home security please contact your local team.

Email: snayorknorth@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

Tel: 101 and ask to leave a message for your local Safer Neighbourhood Police Team.

New Notice Boards

In 2014 the Parish Council purchased 4 new notice boards. When looking to purchase these, the Council approached a number of different companies and looked at a range of boards. In the end the Council decided to purchase the same boards as those recently have refused to installed by Clifton Residents Association, in order to create a uniformed look within the parish. The Parish Council are very happy with the new boards and we hope you are too.

If you would like to advertise in any of the notice boards please contact the clerk.

Community Governance Review

In September 2014 City of York Council informed us that they would be starting a Community Governance Review for York, which includes a parish review. The last parish review was undertaken in 2002, but only completed by the Local Government and Communities Department in 2008. With period from the last review now over ten years, the City of York Council wish to start the review to ensure several arrangements can be resolved in time for the May 2015 elections.

All parish councils were requested to submit provisional expressions of interest in changes to their electoral arrangements, boundaries, name, merging or even dissolving by 31 December 2014.

Clifton (Without) Parish Council worked very closely with Rawcliffe Parish Council and we took this opportunity to clean up the boundary lines between the two parishes. Both parishes submitted the same parish boundary amendments and look forward to hearing the outcome of the full consultation later on in the year.

Canon Lee School Grand Depart Summer Fayre

On the 21st June 2014 the Parish Council were very pleased to sponsor the Canon Lee School summer fayre which due to the Tour de France event that took place in 2014 had a cycling theme.

The Parish Council sponsored the Extreme



Mountain Bike Show which was a fabulous show of tricks and stunts.

The event which was opened by the Lord Mayor, was very well attended and deemed a great success.

Are you involved in a community project/event?

If so, please let us know as we may be able to assist you with sponsoring your project/event.

Open Day

This year we plan to hold an Open Day where we would like to invite residents to come along and talk to us about how you would like to see excess Parish Council funds spent in 2015. Please look out for further details on our website and notice boards.

Meetings

Our meetings are open to the public and are usually held on the second Wednesday in every month at 7:15pm in the Community Room at Canon Lee School. A full list of 2015 meeting dates can be found on both our website and notice boards.

Why not come down to meet your Parish Council at the annual parish meeting which will be held at 6.45pm on 11th March 2015.

Parish Councillors

Chairman - Cllr Mrs. J S Ellis, 47 Reighton Avenue, Clifton (Without).

Vice Chair - Cllr L C Dennett C.Eng., 1 Brougham Close, Clifton (Without).

Cllr R W Binns, 8 Bracken Hills, Upper Poppleton, York.

Cllr A J Cartwright, 11 Angram Close, Clifton (Without).

Cllr P Murray, 8 Angram Close, Clifton (Without).

Cllr N W Naylor, 25 Reighton Avenue, Clifton (Without).

Cllr V Paylor, 44 Beaverdyke, Clifton (Without).

Cllr S R Rawlings, 573 Huntington Road, Huntington, York.

Cllr J Smiles, 29 Rawcliffe Avenue, Clifton (Without).

Cllr D Wann, 35 Bowland Way, Clifton (Without).

City Councillors

Councillor L Cunningham-Cross, 9 Little Avenue, Clifton, York, YO30 6JC

Councillor J D Watt C.Eng MRAeS, 6A The Village, Skelton, York, YO32

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