

GOLDSBOROUGH AND FLAXBY GROUPED PARISH COUNCIL

		Report on issues arisen or work undertaken by Goldsborough & Flaxby Parish Council (GFPC) in the period 1st February to 28th February 2021:
A) PLANNING MATTERS		
February	1st	Harrogate Borough Council (HBC) informed GFPC of a Planning Application for a rear single storey extension to Middle Farm , Church Street, Goldsborough. GFPC was required to return comments by 25th February 2021 and did so on 13th February confirming that whilst having no objections it did comment that the use of materials should be sympathetic to the existing houses and surrounding properties.
	9th	HBC informed GFPC of a Planning Application for a 1nr single storey extension, 1nr two storey extension, 4nr dormer extensions and conversion of loft with 5nr rooflights at Flaxby Grange , Flaxby. GFPC has concerns over the dormer extensions and will be returning comments on to HBC by 5th March 2021.
	26th	GFPC was informed by HBC of a Planning Application for the crown reduction to a Downy Birch at The Lodge , Midgeley Lane, Goldsborough
	26th	On 28th December 2020, GFPC submitted comments and objections in connection with an Environmental Impact Assessment submitted by Forward Investment LLP for a proposed business park on the site of the existing field immediately south of the A59 and immediately west of the A1(M) near to Flaxby Covert . CBRE Ltd of Leeds, agents acting on behalf of Forward Investment LLP have now informed GFPC of an impending hybrid planning application for this site as Employment land seeking both full and part outline planning permission for a revised masterplan on the site comprising a mix of office, industrial and logistics development. Whilst the access road through Flaxby Covert to the site is within the Flaxby Parish Council area the field itself is within the area overseen by the Allerton Mauleverer with Hopperton Parish.
B) FINANCIAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS		
Status of bank accounts:		
February	5th	Current account had £7,882.12. No updated statement has been received for the Business Account since the 5th January 2021 statement that showed it had £4,386.16
	28th	Combined allowing for current commitments is £11,345.88 This includes £3,484.88 ringfenced for expenditure on the Goldsborough Play area and £500 ringfenced for a possible VAS sign at Flaxby.
Cheques signed since 1st February 2021:		
		Nr.1038 £44.32 to Business Stream for the Goldsborough Allotments water charges.
		VAT. An application to HMRC for a refund of £367.90 for VAT paid on purchases has been successful and this has been repaid by HMRC
Precept		
		The January 2021 report stated that the Precept £60 increase from £6660 in 2020/21 to £6720 for 2021/22 equated to an increase of 0.09% whereas this should have stated 0.9%.
C) PARISH COUNCIL PROJECTS		
Goldsborough Allotments:		
February	28th	All rents for 2021 have now been paid.
D) POLICE AND SAFETY MATTERS		
Nothing for comment.		
E) MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS		
February	8th	The previous GFPC Report covering 1st January to 31st January 2021 was put on the website and displayed on the noticeboards. It was also issued by email to all on the GFPC email lists.
	25th	Further to North Yorkshire County Council submitting their bid for its unitary authority and the alternative submission from the Borough and District Councils within North Yorkshire eg Harrogate, Hambleton, Richmond etc for a new West and East authority for North Yorkshire, and the Government is now consulting via its online survey on proposals for local government reorganisation in North Yorkshire with a closing date of 19th April 2021. Further details about both proposals together with the Governments (Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government) online survey can be found at: https://consult.communities.gov.uk/governance-reform-and-democracy/northyorkshire/
Ongoing		Articles are now being accepted for the Spring Newsletter . The deadline for receipt of articles being 20th March 2021 but as always receipt before the deadline will be much appreciated. The Newsletter is then planned to be delivered to households near to 25th/26th March 2021. Should anyone have a suitable photograph with a Spring theme in portrait format then do please forward it to m.munden929@btinternet.com by 20th March 2021 latest.
Ongoing		Emails about scams, local events, advice from police, local planning permission applications, NYCC, HBC and GFPC issues and more are sent on a regular basis from the GFPC email distribution list . To be added to the list, please email gfpmail.list@gmail.com and confirm your authorisation to be added to the distribution list. If you know of anyone who is not already on the mailing list and feel it would be beneficial for them, please pass this email address on to them.
Ongoing		Unless the Government introduce new requirements, as from 7th May 2021, Parish Councils will be allowed to return to face to face Meetings . If this is the case, GFPC will continue with these Reports for just March and April 2021 and then return to having a Meeting in May 2021 subject to Government distancing & other Covid regulations at the time.
Goldsborough & Flaxby Parish Council comprises Councillors Alan Beatham, Caroline Greenhalgh (Vice Chairman), Jackie Dowker (Chairman), Natalie Boyle, Neil Taylor, Simon Meynell and Steve Rowe.		
The next update on issues arisen and work undertaken will be sent out in early April 2021		
Signed..... Derrik Summers (Parish Clerk) Date.....		