

FROM: Jools Marley, Clerk to the Parish Council & Responsible Financial Officer.

TO: All Councillors

DATE: 5th January 2016

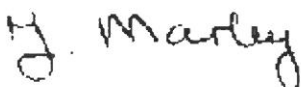
SUBJECT: Update on highway, footpath & other matters since 10/12/15

1. Items raised at last council meeting:-

1. Damaged verge Cross Lane near Tesco Express
2. Slow runner Scalby Rd/Green Lane/Throxenby lane junction - 18/12/15 reply from Highways - *"historic drainage issues in the area of this junction that have been going on for many years so this may be a case of a slow runner that can't be speeded up. However I will speak to a colleague and if I get any further information I will let you know"*.
3. Various degraded pavements - 22/12/15 reply from Highways - passed to Inspector.

2. Other items -

1. Damaged verge near 301 Scalby Road - asked for reinstatement.
2. North Street, Scalby - lack of kerb/highway erosion and flooding continues to be a problem - following complaints from parishioners referred matter again to Highways 18/12/15 since they had promised earlier in the year to look at including it in a drainage improvement scheme.
3. Request for "No entry" road painting to be renewed at north entrance to parade of shops on Newlands Park Drive referred to Highways on 30/10/15. On 12/11/15 Highways confirmed "No entry" signs were not possible since they would require a TRO. A request to re-paint the "No entry" on the road is also not possible (email of 9/12/15 refers) - the road isn't "no entry" so Highways can't really justify re-painting - they are aware it may have been there previously but don't think its return can be justified.



Jools Marley CiLCA
Clerk to the Parish Council



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Mrs Jools Marley - Parish Clerk
Newby & Scalby Parish Council
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15 December 2015

Dear Mrs Marley

Newby Post Office®
401 Scalby Road, Scarborough, YO12 6TQ

Modernising your Post Office

I'm delighted to tell you that we've decided, with the Postmaster's agreement, to change the above Post Office branch to one of our new **main** style branches.

This change is part of a major programme of modernisation taking place across the Post Office network, the largest in the history of Post Office Ltd. The Programme is underpinned by Government investment and will see up to 8,000 branches modernised and additional investment in over 3,000 community and outreach branches. Our aim is to create a more modern and convenient retail experience for customers **that will include longer opening hours.**

What will this mean for customers?

- a newly refurbished branch providing a modern open plan environment for customers
- the same products and services
- longer opening hours

Your new-look Post Office is scheduled to open at the current location on Tuesday 26 January 2016 at 13:00 - it will need to close for refurbishment on Wednesday 13 January 2016 at 18:00. If there are any unforeseen schedule changes which mean these dates change, posters will be displayed in branch to let customers know. I've included details of other Post Office branches in the area that customers can use during the refurbishment and some useful information about the change. Posters will now be displayed in branch so customers are aware of the change.

Getting in touch

I'm happy to answer any questions you may have about the new service. Please email or write to me via our Communication & Consultation team, whose contact details are provided overleaf.

We look forward to welcoming customers to their new **main** Post Office branch.

Yours sincerely

Julie Kemp

Julie Kemp
Area Manager

How to contact us:

 comments@postoffice.co.uk



Customer Helpline: 03457 22 33 44

Textphone: 03457 22 33 55

 FREEPOST Your Comments

Please note this is the full address to use and no further address details are required.



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To get this information in a different format, for example, in larger print, audio or braille please contact the Customer Helpline on 03457 22 33 44 or Textphone 03457 22 33 55.

This communication process has been agreed with the independent statutory consumer watchdog, which in Great Britain is Citizens Advice and Citizens Advice Scotland, and in Northern Ireland, the Consumer Council, and is being carried out in line with our Code of Practice for changes to the Post Office network, which we have agreed with them. If you'd like copies of the Code they are available in branch, or by contacting us or on our website at: www.postoffice.co.uk/transforming-post-office. If you think that the process has not been properly followed and wish to make a complaint, then please write to us or email us via the contact details included in our posters and letters and let us know why. We'll examine your complaint and respond to you as soon as we can. We will provide you with the relevant contact points for the consumer watchdog, so if you are still not satisfied when you have received our response, you can ask them for their assistance.

Newby Post Office information sheet

Post Office opening hours	Current		New	
	Mon	09:00 – 18:00	Mon	08:45 – 19:00
	Tue	09:00 – 18:00	Tue	08:45 – 19:00
	Wed	09:00 – 18:00	Wed	08:45 – 19:00
	Thu	09:00 – 18:00	Thu	08:45 – 19:00
	Fri	09:00 – 18:00	Fri	08:45 – 19:00
	Sat	09:00 – 12:30	Sat	08:45 – 17:30
	Sun	Closed	Sun	10:00 – 13:00
Products & Services	The same wide range of products and services will still be available			
Serving positions	There will be two serving positions. These will be a mixture of one screened and one open plan which is available during shop opening hours.			
Current Post Office branch closes for refurbishment		New style Post Office branch opens		
18:00 on Wednesday 13 January 2016		13:00 on Tuesday 26 January 2016		
Other Post Offices branches in the area				
Falsgrave Road Post Office c/o Spar Store 97-101 Falsgrave Road Scarborough YO12 5EG		Burniston Post Office 29 High Street Burniston Scarborough YO13 0HH		

REPORT

FROM: Jools Marley, Clerk to the Parish Council & Responsible Financial Officer.

TO: All Councillors

DATE: 21 December 2015

SUBJECT: Precept 2016/17.

It is now time for Council to set its precept for the 2016/17 financial year.

Immediately accessible reserves increased during the 2015/16 financial year - this was due to the long term bond at the Nat West maturing and the matured sum being taken into short term reserves.

On current projections, I anticipate that Council will end the financial year with expenditure balancing income. Any surplus/deficit will be very small and will go into/be drawn from reserves. I project Council will start the new financial year with immediately accessible reserves at just over £81,000.

There are various things (such as North Yorkshire County Council's plans for changes to the running of the library on Scalby Road or the potential reduction in funding to SBC for highway verge cutting) which may present the Parish Council with financial challenges or create a call on its reserves over the coming year. While moving the Parish Council's office to Scalby library has increased the library's income and viability, it is likely that additional support will be required in the future if the library is to survive as a community hub.

The tax base (the estimated full year equivalent number of chargeable dwellings in the parish) has increased for 2016/17. As a result, if Council keeps its charge to ratepayers at current levels (for example £10-89 for a Band D property), this will raise a slightly higher precept of £38,350.

However, if Council wishes to leave its precept at the same overall amount as 2015/16, then it should set a precept of £37,912 - this equates to an average council tax reduction of 0.83% or a cost of £10-80 for a Band D property.

RECOMMENDATIONS:-

1. Council keeps its charge to ratepayers at current levels
2. Council sets a precept of £38,350

J Marley .

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Responsible Financial Officer