



Many of you may remember the postcards offering help with shopping and prescription collection which Newby & Scalby Parish Council posted through your door just after the Covid-19 lockdown had started.

Thanks go to Tina Boden, the volunteers and councillors who have made the project so successful and a special thanks to the Proudfoot Group who made it possible for us to do shopping for up to 15 people at a time. It has also been heartening to see how community spirit has spread and people have offered to help their neighbours. Just talking to a neighbour can make all the difference to someone who lives alone and may feel isolated.

As the risk of Covid-19 reduces and people start to have the confidence to go out, we are likely to gradually adjust the support we offer but we hope to be able to deliver some alternative ways of reducing the levels of social isolation that we have discovered - this would be through the community hub which we are hoping to create in order to offer a wider range of help and services for people.

*In the meantime, if you are unable to leave your house for any reason and need food or medicine collecting please call us on **01723 354018**.*

Last year Newby and Scalby Parish Council acknowledged that its one room office did not give it the opportunity to engage with its community or facilitate and enable community activities now and in the future.

The Parish has a population of 9,500, making it seventh highest by population of the 738 parishes in North Yorkshire and the second highest population of the 39 parishes in the Scarborough Borough Council area. By 2030, with planned new developments the population will increase by more than 2,500. Over 31% of our population is aged over 65, many live alone and have little or nothing to stimulate or motivate them to engage with others.



In the last few years both County and Borough Councils have cut back on their services resulting in maintenance of certain areas becoming neglected. With the agreement of North Yorkshire County Council we've set up a Parish Caretaker scheme on a one year trial - this allows us to carry out work to ensure we keep Newby and Scalby looking at it's best.

We want to increase our community involvement and continue to improve the parish's appearance by creating a community hub to facilitate and provide services for our growing population well into the future. Full details overleaf.

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Cakes for the Community

One thing that has been very apparent over the recent difficult months is the fantastic community spirit we have in the Newby and Scalby Parish Council area. It would also appear that we have some enthusiastic bakers, both young and old, and we wanted to find a way of bringing the two things together.



Our latest project, *Cakes for the Community* has now been launched and we already have Community Cakers with whisks at the ready to bake buns and cakes for some residents living alone, those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries as well as those nominated by neighbours who feel a little cheering up is needed.

Thanks to the support of Scalby Cricket Club, we have been able to provide the first lot of baking ingredients to the Cakers and we look forward to sharing more news about this project on both social media and in future newsletters.

How Does Your Garden Grow?

In winter the Parish Council holds a very popular and successful Christmas Lights competition. For summer we're hoping to hold a garden competition in conjunction with Newby and Scalby In Bloom. We know people put a lot of time effort and work into ensuring their gardens look lovely and blooming - and we want to show our appreciation for the work people have put into their gardens.



We're hoping that during August, Parish Councillors and knowledgeable gardeners will tour the parish to judge the great work many members of our community have put into making their gardens beautiful. You don't even need to enter - we'll be looking at every garden which can be seen from the pavement and prizes will be awarded.

NHS Test and Trace

Fraud Prevention:- the following information has been received from North Yorkshire Police

If NHS Test and Trace calls you by phone, the service will be using a single phone number **0300 0135 000**.

The only website the service will ask you to visit is <https://contact-tracing.phe.gov.uk>.

Contact tracers will never:

- Ask you to dial a premium rate number to speak to us (for example, those starting 09 or 087)
- Ask you to make any form of payment
- Ask for any details about your bank account
- Ask for your social media identities or login details, or those of your contacts
- Ask you for any passwords or PINs, or ask you to set up any passwords or PINs over the phone
- Ask you to purchase a product
- Ask you to download any software to your device or ask you to hand over control of your PC, smartphone or tablet
- Ask you to access any website that does not belong to the Government or NHS

Have Your Say!

Newby and Scalby Parish Council is keen to involve local residents in the future of our parish, and the services provided on behalf of residents by the Parish Council. We have developed a very short questionnaire to help us inform our priorities and to gather community opinion on a new pioneering community project we would like to develop.

We are distributing this short questionnaire to every household in the Parish and have attached a reply-paid envelope for you to return your completed questionnaire to us. However, to help us reduce costs we are asking all who are comfortable and able to complete the question online to do so by visiting www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TXXF2FZ

Please take a few short moments to give us your valued opinion and help us shape the future of our parish together.

All completed questionnaires need to be returned by post in the enclosed reply paid envelope or submitted online by 17th JULY.

Local Community Wellbeing Services

Over the last few months, the COVID-19 Pandemic has proved just how important it is for councils and agencies to provide services and activities that contribute towards people's health and wellbeing. As a parish council, we are keen to develop and promote these and would like know your opinions on what you would like to see.

From the following options below please indicate, firstly, which of the following services or activities you feel are particularly needed in this community and secondly, whether you personally would use such a service or activity if it was available locally?

Please tick all that apply?

Proposed service / activity	Is this of particular need in Newby and Scalby Parish? If yes, please tick	Would you personally use?
Health trainer sessions (advice and guidance on healthy living)		
Health checks e.g blood pressure monitoring		
Complementary health/medicine eg physiotherapy, acupuncture, podiatry etc		
Men's (or women's) shed		
Cookery classes		
Finance / debt advice		
Citizens Advice Bureau sessions		
Community luncheon club		
Employment advice eg CV writing and interview skills		
Digital inclusion activities eg computer, tablet, smartphone training		
Talks and presentations		

Parish Council Priorities

Newby and Scalby Parish Council has identified a number of initiatives it would like to consider financially supporting in the coming months. From this list, over the page, please rank each proposal from 1-4 in terms of your preference (1 being your most preferred proposal and 4 being your least preferred proposal)

- New bus shelters being erected at various community identified locations
- Professional sports coaching for local children and young people during school holidays
- Further continuation of the Parish Caretaker Scheme
- Contracting the Borough Council to provide dedicated parking enforcement time for the Parish

A New Community Wellbeing Hub for Newby and Scalby

Newby and Scalby Parish Council is considering relocating its office to a new premises locally - this will enable us to offer more services and facilities to the local community. Our aspiration is to create a new Community Wellbeing Hub enabling various health and wellbeing services to be delivered locally in Newby and Scalby Parish for local people on their doorstep rather than in Scarborough Town Centre.

In order to finance this project the Parish Council is proposing to secure a loan from the Public Works Loan Board and we are seeking your opinions on the proposal before we make an application. Specifically the Parish Council is keen to ask local residents these two important questions:

1. Are you in favour of Newby & Scalby Parish Council proceeding with the Community Hub project? YES ☐ NO ☐
2. Are you favour of Newby & Scalby Parish Council proceeding with the Community Hub if it includes a council tax precept increase of 18% which is the equivalent of an additional £10,300 for the purpose of the annual loan repayments? If you live in a Band D property this will put up your Council Tax bill for next year by approximately £2.75. YES ☐ NO ☐

Please use the box below to make any comments you may have on the Parish Council proposals to develop a Community Wellbeing Hub in the Parish.

Are there any other issues in the Parish that you would like to bring to the attention of the Parish Council? Please use the box below to identify any issues or concerns you may have or any ideas you have for the community?