
GRANTLEY, SAWLEY, SKELDING AND EAVESTONE PARISH COUNCIL
CLERK'S REPORT 2009/10

- The Parish Council has met 9 times since the last Annual meetings. 6 were ordinary meetings held alternately at Grantley and Sawley. 2 occasions were to consider planning applications and once for matters arising from the sale of the Parish Room.
- 21 planning applications have been considered for a variety of proposals, not including appeals and planning enforcement issues.
- One of the key projects has been the installation of the new equipment on Grantley playing field which both Councillors Scannell and Lumb have put a lot of time and effort into. Although there are a couple of teething issues to resolve the equipment is very popular and the project has been a success. The next phase which will be agreed at the PC meeting to follow this one is to install picnic tables and benches and a goal post.
- The majority of the Parish Room sale proceeds have been invested, in line with the decision taken this time last year. The Sawley Small Grants Scheme is hoping to make some awards in the next few days. Just under £40,000 is earmarked for capital projects in the short term, such as upgrading the track across Sawley Village Green.
- A new caretaker has recently been appointed. The Walled Garden Scheme is a great community initiative based near Ripon. Tasks undertaken during the past year include:
 - Sweeping pavements.
 - Inspecting the play areas at both Grantley and Sawley.
 - Litter picking.
 - Bulb planting
 - Routine maintenance at Picking Gill
 - Re-seeding of grass areas.
- A management plan has been agreed for Picking Gill. This will help the new caretaker to care for the area. There are some current issues at the site, including renewed motorbike use after the theft of 3 gates.
- A traffic calming scheme was put in by North Yorkshire County Council at Risplith. The Parish Council has complained about the way the consultation on the scheme was handled and the fact that the scheme appears to be ineffective. The Parish Council will be asking for new speed checks to be carried out.
- The Council has begun to produce a newsletter after each meeting.
- A number of minor highways issues have been considered throughout the year.
- A number of other issues have also been considered such as planning enforcement, grasscutting problems and the possible adoption of the Sawley phone kiosk.

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- Complete the Grantley Recreation Project.
- Finally implement the Sawley Bus Bay Scheme.
- Provision of new noticeboard at Grantley.