

Ingleby Arncliffe and Cross Parish Council

Darlington and Stockton Times 24/02/2012

THE **parish** plan committee has met twice. A letter is to be circulated outlining proposals. A **parish** map is to be included in the plan.

Co-option - Alfred Mace was co-opted on to the **parish council**.

It was agreed that as far as possible **council** meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of every month, excluding August, when there will not be a meeting. It was also decided that time would be made at the end of each meeting for the public to raise questions.

Diamond jubilee - Several Ideas have been suggested - 1950s' dress, a cricket match, a street party. A lot of volunteers have come forward to help. A further meeting is to be held to discuss all these.

Neighbourhood Watch - Tim Roy reported that there has been a 21 per cent reduction in crime in the area over the last year.

Affordable housing - A letter was read out from **Arncliffe** Estates to Amanda Madden re the proposal for affordable housing.

This is a complicated issue at the moment and the **parish council** will take no further action until the **parish** plan has been formulated.

Grass cutting - Four contractors have expressed an interest.

One withdrew, two submitted a fixed yearly rate and one gave an hourly rate. The **council** is to discuss the quotations.

Planning - **Arncliffe** House:

There had been a site meeting and a planning meeting at Hambleton offices at which the **parish council** was represented.

The outcome was that Richard Birch was given retrospective planning permission for the ongoing alterations made as he was building the house.

Cherry Tree Cottage: There were no objections.

The Byways: A planning application has been received from Mr O'Connor. This had not been received in time for it to be circulated before the meeting. The **council** discussed several points with Mr O'Connor but will look at them in depth at a site visit.

Ingleby House Farm: Mr Cook had informed the **council** that he will be implementing an existing planning consent to convert some outbuildings into bed and breakfast accommodation.

Friarage - Members of the community present expressed their dismay about the planned closure of various departments of the Friarage Hospital. A petition is being organised.

Next meeting - Wednesday, March 21, at 7.30pm.