

Communities Opportunities Fund - The parish councillors were seriously concerned that the £850,000 previously allocated by Richmondshire District Council to its Communities Opportunities Fund was now sitting in an RDC reserve fund.

They felt that this would have no apparent benefit to communities in Richmondshire and that, if the £850,000 was used to alleviate council tax bills, there would be little real effect or impact.

There was also considerable concern that an Upper Dales Area Partnership meeting had not been organised.

Flooding. — It was reported that Alastair Dinsdale had met with Lord Bolton, the Bolton Estate gamekeeper and the agent from Carter Jonas to discuss how the rapid flow of water off the moor was contributing to flooding in the village.

All were keen to help and it was agreed to look at the situation after the grouse season.

Village green. — Yorkshire Water had requested permission for possible access onto the village green in order to provide a connection to a stopcock at one of the properties on the north side of the green.

It was agreed that Councillor Nick Oliver should contact Yorkshire Water, and that it would be okay for the company to proceed providing nothing unusual occurred.

It was agreed to thank Martin Becket and Graham Hodge for maintaining the village benches. It was remarked how good these looked as a result of their efforts.

Playing field. — A report from the RDC following the latest inspection of the equipment at the playing field will be given to the treasurer of Carperby Playing Fields Association.

Parish lands. — It was reported that a stretch of the wall had collapsed at Warm Gill and was, in some places, forming dams. Councillor David Moore will report on the situation at the next meeting.

One bin for dog waste had been installed at Haw Bank and the clerk was asked to check when the second will be available.

Planning. — The clerk was asked to request an extension of the deadline for consideration of a planning application for the erection of a detached dwelling house with garage on land off Main Street in Carperby.

Details of the planning application were received by the parish council the day before its meeting.

Next meeting at the Village Institute at 7.30pm on Monday, September 19th