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Interest has also been expressed for use for exercise classes and a diabetes clinic both of which will be regular bookings.

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On checking my records I've noted that we have not yet invoiced you for the annual service of the church clock that was carried out on the 28th April. Before I send the invoice as a valued customer and as a way to say thank you for your custom over the years, I am pleased to be able to write to you with a special renewal offer. For a limited period we are offering our customers that were on a three year contract the opportunity to renew their

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Regards
Barbara Wall - Smith of Derby

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Excessively fast traffic on Kirkby Mills. The traffic has been growing over the years which is expected due the growing businesses but the speed at which some lorries and some cars travel, and have done for some time, is totally unacceptable. A few years ago the police kindly did a couple of speed traps but all that happens is the lads let each other know!! These lorries start to deliver at 6am or earlier, tearing past the houses. There is also traffic (cars) going down to the estate late at night and not returning so who are these people and are they living or sleeping somewhere on the estate?? Please discuss this or advise me to contact Fix My Street to bring this to the attention of Ryedale and NYCC. I appreciate that we cannot put in chicanes or 'dead policeman' due to the size of the lorries but something has to be done to protect the noise levels and safety of the residents.

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# 17. To note that the Long Distance Walkers Association (LDWA) annual 100 mile walk will take place in North Yorkshire in May 2017

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I write to make your town council aware of a walking event that will be passing through Kirkbymoorside. The Long Distance Walkers Association (LDWA) annual 100 mile walk will take place in North Yorkshire in May 2017.

The LDWA is a non-profit making company which aims to further the interests of those who like long distance walking. It is run by unpaid volunteers, and financed by membership subscriptions. (more information about us is available at <a href="https://www.ldwa.org.uk">www.ldwa.org.uk</a>).

The Annual 100 mile walk takes place each May, and participants have 48 hours to complete a 100 mile course. To assist them a number of checkpoints and refreshment stations will be set up *en route*. The 100 moves around the UK, and we are delighted to have secured it in North Yorkshire in 2017

There are actually two events. The main event will take place between 10 a.m. Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup> and 10 a.m. Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> 2017, but, to enable some of our volunteer helpers to also complete the walk a 'Marshal's walk' (which also has the

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Please be assured that we will be respectful of local residents at all times. We will do all we can to ensure there is no disturbance or disruption, and that we will leave the glorious North Yorkshire countryside as we have found it. I would appreciate if you would make people aware of our event as we would not want anyone to be disconcerted by participants passing through. I will write again in early 2017 to bring our event back to your attention.

In the meantime if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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As we prepare our Annual Report we are again reminded of all those who have supported us during the past year, and those who have done so over many previous years. Our Town and Parish Councils are certainly part of this invaluable help, not only to maintain our current service, but also to expand it in line with the increasing demand for our services.

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07.10.2015	Exhibition - Kirkbymoorside History Group

Interest has also been expressed for use for exercise classes and a diabetes clinic both of which will be regular bookings.

# 15. To consider and agree to renew the three year contract for the annual service of the church clock at a cost of £456 plus VAT

Dear Lisa

On checking my records I've noted that we have not yet invoiced you for the annual service of the church clock that was carried out on the 28th April. Before I send the invoice as a valued customer and as a way to say thank you for your custom over the years, I am pleased to be able to write to you with a special renewal offer. For a limited period we are offering our customers that were on a three year contract the opportunity to renew their

contract at 2011 prices, your renewal price remains £456 net plus vat. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity please let me know so that I can arrange to send the invoice as payment is required in advance as before. If you would prefer to return to an annual contract the cost would be £164.00 & vat. I would appreciate receiving your instructions so that I can sent the appropriate invoice.

Regards
Barbara Wall - Smith of Derby

# 16. To consider and agree an appropriate response to concern raised about the speed of vehicles in Kirkby Mills Estate

Excessively fast traffic on Kirkby Mills. The traffic has been growing over the years which is expected due the growing businesses but the speed at which some lorries and some cars travel, and have done for some time, is totally unacceptable. A few years ago the police kindly did a couple of speed traps but all that happens is the lads let each other know!! These lorries start to deliver at 6am or earlier, tearing past the houses. There is also traffic (cars) going down to the estate late at night and not returning so who are these people and are they living or sleeping somewhere on the estate?? Please discuss this or advise me to contact Fix My Street to bring this to the attention of Ryedale and NYCC. I appreciate that we cannot put in chicanes or 'dead policeman' due to the size of the lorries but something has to be done to protect the noise levels and safety of the residents.

Resident of Kirby Mills

# 17. To note that the Long Distance Walkers Association (LDWA) annual 100 mile walk will take place in North Yorkshire in May 2017

Dear Lisa

I write to make your town council aware of a walking event that will be passing through Kirkbymoorside. The Long Distance Walkers Association (LDWA) annual 100 mile walk will take place in North Yorkshire in May 2017.

The LDWA is a non-profit making company which aims to further the interests of those who like long distance walking. It is run by unpaid volunteers, and financed by membership subscriptions. (more information about us is available at <a href="https://www.ldwa.org.uk">www.ldwa.org.uk</a>).

The Annual 100 mile walk takes place each May, and participants have 48 hours to complete a 100 mile course. To assist them a number of checkpoints and refreshment stations will be set up *en route*. The 100 moves around the UK, and we are delighted to have secured it in North Yorkshire in 2017

There are actually two events. The main event will take place between 10 a.m. Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup> and 10 a.m. Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> 2017, but, to enable some of our volunteer helpers to also complete the walk a 'Marshal's walk' (which also has the

benefit of being a 'dress rehearsal') takes place on the previous bank holiday weekend, which will be April 29<sup>th</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Both events will commence, and finish at Malton School and follow a circular route taking in Hovingham, Kirkbymoorside, Rosedale Abbey, Botton, Sleights, Fyling Hall, Goathland, Levisham, Thornton-le-Dale and back Malton. The proposed route is attached (please note that on pages 1-9 as walkers are walking north across these pages they are actually walking from the bottom of each page to the top. On page 16 they will be walking right to left). For Kirkbymoorside please refer to page 6.

The Marshal's walk will have 50-70 participants, while the main event will have up to 500, but as people walk at different speeds they will quickly spread out into a steady stream of people rather than a group. The approximate time that people will be passing through Kirkbymoorside is likely to be between 13.40 and 18.40 on the Saturday of each weekend

Please be assured that we will be respectful of local residents at all times. We will do all we can to ensure there is no disturbance or disruption, and that we will leave the glorious North Yorkshire countryside as we have found it. I would appreciate if you would make people aware of our event as we would not want anyone to be disconcerted by participants passing through. I will write again in early 2017 to bring our event back to your attention.

In the meantime if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Best Regards Steph Carter (North Yorkshire LDWA 100 Publicity Officer) T:01937 5863643

### 19. To note receipt of thanks from Ryedale Citizens Advice Bureau

Dear Kirkbymoorside Town Council

As we prepare our Annual Report we are again reminded of all those who have supported us during the past year, and those who have done so over many previous years. Our Town and Parish Councils are certainly part of this invaluable help, not only to maintain our current service, but also to expand it in line with the increasing demand for our services.

Financial & social burdens on our local community continue to increase, resulting in an even greater need for our advice and guidance. In turn we need to engage and train more volunteers and provide further resources to accommodate this. We at the Bureau are finding that obtaining funding in order to support this increased demand, and indeed to maintain our existing level of service, is becoming more and more difficult. At the commencement of the current financial year we have had to reduce paid staff hours until further funds can be obtained. Thankfully, due to the unrelenting commitment of our volunteers and the voluntary support of the paid staff, we have been able to maintain the same level of service. For these reasons, every contribution to our financial resources is invaluable to us and we take this opportunity to offer our heartfelt thanks for your past support and ask for your continued support whenever possible.

Please look at the details of our activities and achievements over 2014-15 in our Annual Report, which will be available on our Website at <a href="www.ryedalecab.org.uk">www.ryedalecab.org.uk</a> by mid-September 2015. Our Annual General Meeting is to be held at Harrison House, Norton Road, Malton YO17 9RD on Thursday 11 October, to which we extend a warm welcome to all.

May we remind you to let us know of any personnel changes in your Parish/Town Council, either by E-mail at <a href="mailto:finance@ryedalecab.cabnet.org.uk">finance@ryedalecab.cabnet.org.uk</a>, or telephone 01653 692867 to ensure that we continue to keep in touch with you.

We would like you to pass on our message to all members of your Town/ Parish Council and thank you again for your valued help.

With kind regards Sue Bywater Bureau Manager