

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 10th July 2012.**

PRESENT: Councillors J Pritchard, Dr DB Coltman, V Williams, D Nesbitt, CEC Kynch, J Walmsley, R Elvis and R Paine.

12/199 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors J Jackson, R Gibbons, V Richards, J Parkinson and County Councillor Mrs S Charles sent their apologies

12/200 OPEN SESSION

Two members of the public were present. They asked if anybody knew of a building which could be used for a Gospel Hall. Several suggestions were put forward which they would investigate

12/201 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 12th June 2012

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th June 2012 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

12/202 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT).

There was no Police report however the Clerk confirmed that the Caton Police Station had now been closed and Officers were working out of Lancaster.

12/203 CODE OF CONDUCT

Government legislation requires all Councils to adopt a new Code of Conduct from the 1st July 2012.

It was **Resolved** that the old Code of Conduct be effective until such time as a new Code is adopted by Caton-with-Littledale Parish Council.

We can adopt the City Council Code once they have adopted theirs or decide to have our own. All Councillors will need to complete a Notification of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest Form as soon as possible regardless of when we adopt a new code. This supersedes the Notification of Financial Interest Form.

12/204 PLANNING

Applications **Received** :-

12/00568/FUL Conversion of roof space and additional dormer
5 Vicarage Avenue, Brookhouse

No objection subject to neighbours comments

12/00591/FUL Completion of partially demolished Farm House as per approved plans
Mr & Mrs Fullford, Bell Hill Farm, Littledale
No objection to rebuilding the barn and conversion as per the original Planning Approval.
12/00577/FUL Pitched roof to kitchen and extensions to front and rear dormers
53 Caton Green Road, Brookhouse
No Objection
12/00526/FUL Side extension and detached garage
Mr Pinnington, The Hollows, Brookhouse Road,
No Objection

Prior Approval Required

12/00511/AD Erection of Agricultural Building
Mr J Taylor, Lots House Farm, Quarry Road, Littledale.

12/205 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

No report

12/206 LENGTHSMAN, HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

The Lengthsman contact will be finalised with Hornby Parish Council at a cost of £ 3,214 per annum. The contract will be scrutinised to ensure the Lengthsman is not under the employment of the Parish Council.

It was agreed that we enter into the PROW delivery scheme from Lancashire County Council. We will receive a grant of £200 against seasonal grass strimming work and the opportunity to undertake other maintenance tasks at the agreed County rate.

The recent inspection has identified the following :-

Bases around the trees on Sycamore Road have cracked and require attention

Movement between the car park wall and Chemists will be monitored

Potholes on Brookhouse Road and road surface on Littledale Road to be reported along with the problems on Moorside Road.

Gate at Fell View Play Area to be modified.

The wall round the Oak tree on Copy Lane is cracking.

Fish stones require pointing and some attention is required to the new oak.

Bins by the old Library require attention.

There are overhanging hedges by the Scarthwaite Hotel which require attention.

It was also agreed that a note would be put in the Link with regard to hedges overhanging pavements.

12/207 GRANT

It was **resolved** to give St Paul's Church a grant of £750 to help with the upkeep of the Parish burial ground.

12/208 FINANCE

Proposed Cllr C Kynch seconded Cllr D Coltman and **resolved** that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary June & Travel expenses, RB Alexander	£	466.30
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, July/Aug	£	80.00
S Ireland, Fell View zip wire locking, July/Aug	£	80.00
Simply Clean, toilets	£	176.40
Viking Direct, stationery	£	154.22
Eon, car park electricity	£	9.01
Lancaster City Council, grass cutting June	£	95.48
PWLB. Final loan repayment	£	637.68
Victoria Institute, meetings	£	20.63
St Paul's Church Grant	£	750.00
Heather McNaught, War Memorial Gardens	£	475.00

12/209 FELL VIEW

Pennine Playgrounds have completed the contract and the retention monies have been paid. The ferns will be replaced by the Lengthsman in the Autumn.

One gate will be rehung and a rubber stop fitted.

The Clerk will check on the locking of the Zip wire and confirm that the Play area is open between the hours of dawn to dusk.

12/210 LIBRARY SITE

The meeting with Lancashire County Council and the Doctor's was constructive although the County were only prepared to proceed on the basis that the Doctor's purchased the whole site. Car parking however would remain with a minimum of six spaces for the villages use when the site was redeveloped. The Doctors would be seeking a financial contribution towards their cost (yet to be negotiated).

The Parish Council agreed to defer agreement on this until the outcome of discussions regarding the sale with the Leader of the County Council were complete.

12/211 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Victoria Institute –K Shoes Male Voice Choir Concert Saturday October 13th at 7.30 Tickets £8
Fell View Play Park – The Action Group is now formally set up as a Charity. Plaques for donor's names are being progressed.

Moor Platt for Community Use – This has shown overwhelming support for a green space however how it can be achieved is still under investigation. The site is still up for sale from the County Council.

12/212 LALC AND CORRESPONDANCE

Please request from Clerk if interested ####
Paths for Communities

12/213 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 11th September 2012. Agenda
closes 6th September 2012

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.