

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014.**

**PRESENT:** Councillors J Jackson, D Nesbitt, J Walmsley, R Paine, J Parkinson, R Gibbons  
P Woolgar, J Pritchard, CEC Kynch and R Elvis

14/187 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors V Richards (away) and V Williams (illness) and County Councillor Mrs S Charles sent their apologies.

14/188 OPEN SESSION

No members of the public attended.

14/189 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

14/190 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PARISH ASSEMBLY

The management of the new website was discussed and it was agreed that a separate management Committee be set up. This would consider the website content and how it would be controlled.

Letters of thanks would be sent out.

The Highways response to the suggested improvements to the Zebra Crossing would be forwarded to Mr Bamford.

14/191 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT).

A written report was provided covering the period from mid March to June. There had been several thefts of cycles, garden furniture and a Land Rover, later found abandoned. A public house had been broken into and coins taken. There had also been damage to a vehicle and a garden shed lock forced. There seems to have been a reduction in thefts from vehicles and the Police have been busy policing the influx of travellers to the Appleby Fair.

14/192 PLANNING

Applications **Received** :-

14/00597/FUL Conversion of garage to residential annex  
Glenogle, Lancaster Road, Caton

No Objections

14/00556/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension  
10 Artlebeck Grove, Caton

No Objections

- 14/00513/FUL                      Erection of single storey rear extension  
50A Artlebeck Road, Caton
- No Objections
- 14/00459/OUT                      Outline Permission for a Two Storey detached dwelling  
Land to rear of 71 Hornby Road, Caton
- No Objections, however suitability for vehicular access would be sought.
- 14/00585/FUL                      Demolition of garage, erection of single storey extension and dormer.  
8 Greenfields, Caton
- No Objections

Applications **Permitted** :-

- 14/00387/FUL                      Erection of 2 storey rear extension  
11 Leslie Avenue, Caton
- 14/00270/OUT                      Outline permission for 34 dwellings  
Land off Sycamore Road, Brookhouse

14/193      HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

In light of the City Council consultations on housing needs and Land Allocations Policy the Parish Council considered how to respond to Planning Applications for housing developments within the village. An Working Group meeting would be held following the City Council public presentation to formulate a response.(24<sup>th</sup> June 2014).

Concern was expressed about possible plans for the Sports field behind the Station Hotel. The Clerk was asked to request that this site be classified as a 'Designated Green Space' in the Local Plan.

There was to be a consultation on plans for future development of the SJ Bargh site for housing.

14/194      COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Planning will be consulting on 'Meeting the District Housing Needs' at the Victoria Institute, Caton Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2.00-7.00 pm.

14/195      HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

There had been problems with motor cycles and the reinstatement of white lines following surface dressing of the carriageways. Flooding, after rain, at the junction of Quernmore Road and Lancaster Road continues to be a problem.

Courses for volunteers willing to deploy the SpID Signs would be investigated along with insurance implications

The Clerk was asked to obtain quotes for collecting the grass after grass cutting on Fell View.

14/196      RISK ASSESSMENT

The Financial and other risks associated with the Council were considered and it was agreed that adequate Insurance Cover was in place.

Council property had been visually inspected and its condition noted. There were a number of items identified :- The bench on Lancaster Road needs attention and the steps up to it require sweeping/weeding. The wall round the Oak on Copy Lane continues to crack as do the planters on Sycamore Road. It seems the replacement Oak tree at the Fish Stones has died and the missing bollard needs replacing. The beech hedge at the corner of Hall Drive and Sycamore Road is obstructing sight lines for cars. Dog bins on the Millennium Park need to be replaced.

#### 14/197 ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

The Accounts were approved by the Council and the Audit Return was completed including the Annual Governance Statement.

Pat Creswell has completed the internal audit.

The Audit date is 25<sup>th</sup> June all the necessary paperwork will be dispatched prior.

#### 14/ 198 FINANCE

The Vat refund of £1,905.50 has been received and banked.

Proposed Cllr D Nesbitt seconded Cllr J Parkinson and **resolved** that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary May & Travel expenses, RB Alexander	£	469.48
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, June	£	40.00
Ms J Hudson-Mather, Fell View zip wire locking, June	£	40.00
Victoria Institute, Meetings May	£	86.25
Pennine Playgrounds, Repairs	£	540.00
Caton Twining Association, Grant	£	500.00
Lancaster City Council, Fell View Grass Cutting	£	223.96

#### 14/199 BROADBAND

An update was given on both the BT Superfast Broadband rollout and the B4RN Project. BT cabinets in the villages had been fibre enabled and the service was available in Caton and Brookhouse. B4RN are currently working towards Caton where there will be a distribution cabinet. It would be sometime before a live service would be available in the village.

#### 14/200 TRIM TRAIL

The Council were not convinced of a need for a Trim Trail and voted against supporting it and agreed not to pursue the matter of a lease.

#### 14/201 FELL VIEW PLAY AREA

The Action Group were looking into the possibilities of providing a slide and had requested additional bark to top up the surfaces. The Clerk would obtain prices for the bark.

## 14/202 VOLUNTEERING

The Clerk had been asked if there were any 'jobs' which could be undertaken by a Youth Group visiting the area in August. The only possibility was litter picking. They would be informed.

## 14/203 ROAD SIGNS

A request has been made about getting a sign on the approach to Caton Green from Claughton. A site has been offered and the Clerk was asked to request one from County.

## 14/204 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Twinning – An excellent concert, but the 'Duck Race' at the Gala proved hard work. So far about 20 people had signed up for the trip to Socx.

Victoria Institute – Work on the kitchen will start in August. Fundraising is still underway.

War Memorial – The pre-application had been accepted and a full application for a 50% grant could be submitted. This however was very complicated for any possible return. The way forward would be considered at the next meeting.

## 14/205 CORRESPONDANCE

#### Please request from Clerk if interested ####

Lune Valley Rural Housing Association Allocations Policy. Review and Comments  
 SELRAP – Update on campaign to reopen the Skipton-Colne railway line  
 SJ Bargh Proposed site redevelopment. Public Event Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2.00-7.00 VI  
 Forest of Bowland AONB Activities.

14/206 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014. Agenda closes 4<sup>th</sup> July.

The meeting closed at 9.55 pm.