

# Caton with Littledale Parish Council

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Minutes of the parish council meeting held at the Victoria Institute on  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7.15pm.

**Present:**

Cllr Elvis, Cllr Gibbons, Cllr Heywood, Cllr Kynch, Cllr Paine (chairman) Cllr Powell,  
Cllr Thompson, Cllr Walmsley and Cllr Whitehead.

G Mason - clerk to the parish council.

Two members of the parish.

**19/173 Apologies for absence.**

Cllr Skeldon and Cllr Huddleston.

**19/174 To consider and approve the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019.**

It was resolved that the minutes be approved and signed by the chairman.

Proposed by Cllr Elvis.

Seconded by Cllr Powell.

**19/175 Declarations of interest and dispensations.**

Cllr Kynch declared an interest in any item regarding the Fell View Playpark as a trustee of the playpark action group.

**19/176 Open forum.**

A resident that attended the meeting asked if the request for seats in the bus shelters had been considered. The parish council has already resolved to buy new bus shelters with seating, when the old bus shelters need replacing.

A resident informed the parish council that the residents of Hawthorn and Pinewood have been notified that the access to the potential site may not appropriate. If this site is taken off the allocation, could the plan then go back to the city council to allocate the land for development? Please could the neighbourhood planning group still take into consideration that the area has flooding issues and also take into account the bat survey. The site behind the school (site 100) is not on the site allocation list, could this be considered if the Hawthorn / Pinewood site is removed from the site allocation.

**19/177 Planning applications.**

19/01324/FUL - Land North East Of Ash Cottage, Ball Lane, Caton.

Erection of a 2 storey dwelling, creation of a vehicular access point, installation of drainage infrastructure and associated landscaping.

The parish council object to this planning application:

The formation of a conservation area for Ball Lane is being considered. Could the application decision be postponed until further information is received regarding this?.

The Forest of Bowland AONB has not been consulted on this application, the parish council consider it vital that the AONB is informed on such applications.

The potential development would be outside of the village boundary, be sited on agricultural land and a flood plain. The build would be intrusive from various key view-points and will not contribute

to the housing needs in the village. The access lane is very narrow and very difficult for vehicular use. Any development in the AONB has to enhance the landscape, the parish council does not think this dwelling would do so.

If the planners are minded to approve the application, can a condition that the house is not rendered be implemented.

19/01289/FUL - Caton Primary School, Broadacre, Caton.

Installation of a telecommunications cabinet.

The parish council support the application.

Proposed by Cllr Heywood.

Seconded by Cllr Elvis.

### **19/178 Accounts and finance.**

#### **Payments**

##### **Standing orders**

Victoria Institute, administration grant (S/O) £1000.00

Bridgitte Theunissen-Hughes zipwire lockup (S/O)9 £50.00

##### **Cheques**

Gill Mason, clerk's wages £588.46 and expenses £46.61 £635.07

Victoria institute room hire £24.75

Victoria institute room hire (NP) £18.00

Victoria Institute room hire and printing (NP) £144.30

Victoria Institute print £10.00

D Skeldon – war memorial maintenance contract £262.50

C Lennon – village contractor £916.00

Lancaster City Council- charge for uncontested election £144.00

K Akrigg – war memorial display board £95.00

It was resolved that the above payments be made.

Proposed by Cllr Walmsley.

Seconded by Cllr Gibbons.

##### **Receipts**

Donation to the war memorial display board – Brookhouse Methodist Church £100.00

### **19/179 Public toilet locking update.**

No update.

### **19/180 Highways and footpaths.**

#### ***Sycamore Road development***

Cllr Walmsley informed the parish council that part of the planning consent for the development was that the roads and pavements would be rectified to their previous condition if any damage was incurred by the wagons and other vehicles.

LCC Highways has to decide on what repairs need to be fulfilled after an inspection of the area. The residents of Sycamore Road will be asked to provide photos of the roads and pavements prior to the development via The Link.

The clerk was asked to request single white lines on both sides of Roeburndale Road to guide vehicles, making it safer for pedestrians.

### **19/181 Parish management and maintenance.**

#### ***Play park refurbishment and design update***

The clerk was asked to follow up the inspections for the playpark with Lancaster City Council Public Realm.

The costs for the fencing will be considered at the next meeting.

***Village contractor update***

The contractor will be asked to litter pick the COOP car park.

The clerk was asked to contact Highways regarding the cleaning of the gutters.

***Christmas tree delivery and installation***

It was resolved that the Christmas Tree will be delivered within the first week of December at a cost of £70.

Proposed by Cllr Gibbons.

Seconded by Cllr Powell.

***Replacement litter bins at the playpark and war memorial garden***

The clerk will circulate models of bins for the parish council to consider purchasing.

**19/182 Neighbourhood plan update.**

Cllr Walmsley informed the parish council that there will be a review of the flooding report and the bat and bird survey.

**19/183 War memorial display board update.**

A quote of £600 to lay the flags has been received. Cllr Powell will ask the village contractor to quote on the works.

**19/184 To consider items for the 2020/21 budget and precept.**

The finance committee will meet to draft a budget for full parish council approval, before the December meeting,

It was resolved that Cllr Powell be appointed on to the finance committee.

Proposed Cllr Heywood.

Seconded by Cllr Whitehead.

**19/185 Reports and correspondence (information only).**

Thank you letter from St Paul's Church – noted.

**19/186 Date and time of the next parish council meetings.**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

The meeting closed at 8.56pm

**Signed .....** **Date.....**