

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 11th October 2011.**

PRESENT: Councillors J Pritchard, V Richards, Dr DB Coltman, D Nesbitt, J Walmsley, V Williams, J Jackson, R Elvis and J Parkinson
PC Carl Wood attended by invitation

11/220 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors R Gibbons, S Langhorn and CEC Kynch, PC C Irvine and County Councillor Mrs S Charles sent their apologies

11/221 OPEN SESSION

It was agreed that the Lancashire Best Kept Village Plaque will be installed next to the existing plaque on the end wall of the Station Hotel and the cup be placed in the Post Office.

11/222 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 14th September 2011

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th September 2011 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

11/223 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT).

Written report provided.

Speeding tractors should be reported and registration numbers taken if possible. A message has been sent on the Farmwatch system.

Regarding cars parked on the grass verges, this is outside the scope of the Police. County will be consulted on the matter.

Two reports of criminal damage – to a plant pot and Church Hall window. A cannabis plant has been destroyed and a formal warning issued.

Four youths have been issued with Acceptable Behaviour Contracts following a incident of trespass at Moor Platt.

There is to be a multi-agency meeting regarding Bull Beck Picnic site. The Parish Council asked if they could be included.

11/224 PLANNING

The Clerk reported that our comments regarding Moor Platt had been accepted and that the principal of Extra Care Housing had been agreed in the Land Allocation document.

Applications **Received** :-

11/00849/NMA Non material Amendment to 10/00650/FUL
6 Langdale, Caton

No Objections

11/00811/FUL Installation of Radio Mast and equip cabinet
Abbeystead Estate,

No Objections

11/00912 Erection of Agricultural Building
B Preston, Eller's Farm, Caton

No Objections

Applications **Approved** :-

11/0094/TPO Various tree works

Old Hall Barn, Brookhouse

11/00622/VCN Variation on application 11/00116/FULL to provide additional
headroom

Mr D Platts, Greenbank Farm, Claughton

11/00539/LB Replacement of all windows and photovoltaic array to garage roof
Mr D Walmsley, Moorlands, Moorside Road, Brookhouse

11/225 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

The City Council are consulting on Rural Broadband Project. It was stated that the B4RN project was going ahead.

The bridge over the Crook O'Lune was going to be reopened shortly following the installation of a temporary walkway.

Following on from the announced job losses at British Aerospace, County are working on establishing Enterprise Zones to mitigate the effect.

11/226 LENGTHSMAN, HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

A response from County has been received regarding our request for 30 mph limit in Caton Green and Moorside / Littledale Road circuit. The guidelines do not allow any changes to the existing speed limits.

A price for stabilising the car park wall and making good the uneven surface will be obtained. The City Council will be informed of the poor state of the Bull Beck car park surface and asked to take action.

The lengthsman will be asked to clean and 'oil' the wooden benches when the weather permits. Missing letters on the Caton road sign and street lamp No27 on Brookhouse Road will be reported.

The problem with cars parking on the grass on Brookhouse Road will be taken up with County Highways.

The Clerk was asked to investigate the carving of the Flood Level mark on the Lune aqueduct bridge.

11/227 AUDIT

The Audit has been successfully completed.

One item has to be raised – Assets have had to be re-stated from the 2010 figure as they now retain their full value until disposal. No depreciation ! No further action required.

The Audit has been presented to and accepted by the Parish Council.

11/214 FINANCE

Refunds from the Planning Application (£ 167.50) and Rates (£ 53.25) have been received and banked

Proposed Cllr V Richards, seconded Cllr R Elvis and **resolved** that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary Sept & Travel expenses, RB. Alexander	£	472.31
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, Oct	£	40.00
S Ireland, Fell View zip wire locking Oct	£	40.00
Lancaster City Council, Mowing Fell View September	£	95.48
Lancaster City Council, Clean Shelters Jul/Aug/Sept	£	66.60
Simply Clean, toilets 26.09-23.10	£	176.40
BDO LLP, Audit Fee	£	660.00
Viking Direct, stationery	£	93.79
Eon, Car park electricity	£	9.03

Parish Projects

Receipts

LAG grant £ 17,258.00

11/229 FELL VIEW

The Clerk was asked to write to both Schools to invite them to take over the 'Lights Alive' Event. A 'Hog Roast' is planned for Saturday 22nd October to get people out to use and experience the new Play Area. This is being funded through the Sustainability Grant.

11/230 MOOR PLATT

The County Council remain hopeful of finding a buyer for the site. Plans are being formalised for the demolition of the buildings if that is the requirement of any new owners.

11/231 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Victoria Institute – Cleaning in the Institute is being further investigated. The Christmas Wine Tasting is booked for Sat 3rd December and Christmas Draw Tickets are on sale now!

Twinning – A cooking demonstration has been booked for 17th November, The Textile Collection for 7th January and the Murder Mystery dinner for 14th January

11/232 LALC AND CORRESPONDANCE

Please request from Clerk if interested ####
Responding to Planning Applications- An 8 step guide NALC

11/233 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 8th November 2011. Agenda closes
3rd November 2011

The meeting closed at 8.42 pm.

Remembrance Sunday 13th November

POOR'S LAND

Further evaluation is being made into the letting of Fishing Rights. Access across the neighbouring land should not pose any problems.

It was agreed that the sub-committee should make any necessary decisions and bring it back to the next meeting.