

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 15th October 2013.**

PRESENT: Councillors J Jackson, J Walmsley, J Parkinson, D Nesbitt, CEC Kynch,
R Paine, P Woolgar, V Williams and R Elvis.

13/235 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

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

13/236 OPEN SESSION

Mr Beckett asked about meeting dates and told the Parish Council he was pursuing the matter of the 20mph speed limit on Brookhouse Road with the County Council. He was of the opinion that it was inappropriate on this stretch of road.

13/237 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 10th September 2013

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 10th September 2013 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

13/238 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT).

There was a written Police report. It was stated that there had been a garage in Brookhouse broken into and an unsecured house entered and a wallet stolen. A bike had been stolen from a different garage and a further attempt had been made to gain access through a front door. A bronze sundial had been stolen from a garden in Caton.

The Police had taken part in a multi-force operation targeting rural crime. There were no reports of any suspicious activity within our area.

Members asked about the Horse Watch and how to register. A direct number would be useful. They also requested an update/feedback on progress/arrests made after crimes had been reported. A request would be made for a Police presence at the Remembrance Day Service.

13/239 PLANNING

Applications **Received** :-

13/0124/TCA Pruning of trees
5 Littledale Road, Brookhouse

No Objections

13/00968/FUL Six Eco-Pods, toilet block, car parking and access
Cross Ghyll Farm, Littledale

No Objections

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| 13/00568/FUL | Erection of two storey side extension etc 15 Moorside Road, Brookhouse |
| No Objections | |
| 13/00912/FUL | Demolition of garage and erection of single storey rear extension The Nook, Quernmore Road, Caton |
| No Objections | |
| 13/00956/FUL | Construction of rear staircase and dormer Forge House, Forge Mill, Caton |
| No Objections | |

Applications **Permitted** :-

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| 13/00668/FUL | Erection of 6 two-bed houses, 15 three-bed houses and 12 four-bed houses including internal road layout, parking and landscaping Moor Platt site, Lancaster Road, Caton for Lancashire County Council and Persimmon Homes Lancashire. |
| The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with Persimmon Homes to discuss the project details. | |
| 13/00758/FUL | Erection of 7.6m high wind turbine No Fret Farm, Quarry Road, Brookhouse |
| 13/00703/FUL | Erection of single storey extension 59 Copy Lane, Caton |

Applications **Refused** :-

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| 13/0096/TPO | Pruning work to Alder Tree 47 Fell View, Caton |
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The meeting was informed that a recent Planning Brief had decided against a statutory distance being set between wind turbine and dwellings. Removal of turbines after the twenty-five year expiry of permission can involve problems with ownership etc.

13/240 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

The Village Post Office looks likely to close due to the retirement of the current owner. There is a likelihood of the service moving to the Convenience Store on Sycamore Road, Brookhouse. The MP has been approached for a meeting and the Parish Council would like to press for full retention of Postal Services in the Village.

13/241 LENGTHSMAN, HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

Resurfacing of the Croft carriageway will be undertaken in November. The Clerk would request full details of the timescale and alternative access arrangements for the residents to be made available in good time.

Pot Holes on Littledale Road had been repaired.

Lights on the Millennium Park were on during the day and a dog bin has been removed. These would be reported.

Chris Hill will be asked to paint white lines in the Hornby Road car park.

13/242 FINANCE

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

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| Clerk's Salary September (incl. backpay) & Travel expenses, RB Alexander | £ | 491.38 |
| Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, October | £ | 40.00 |
| Ms J Hudson-Mather, Fell View zip wire locking, October | £ | 40.00 |
| Eon , Car Park Electricity | £ | 9.10 |
| Victoria Institute, Meetings Sept | £ | 24.75 |

13/243 HORNBY ROAD CAR PARK

The Co-op have provided a 'diary' of delivery times and assuming no legal problems the Parish Council agreed to accommodate the Co-op delivery vehicle between the hours of 6.00 am. and 8.00 am. Mr Haddow would be contacted to ascertain his position. The Clerk would produce a draft agreement for consideration.

A mechanism for the payment of repairs for any damage done would need to be considered.

13/244 FELL VIEW PLAY AREA

A proposal has been made to plant spring bulbs round the perimeter. The Parish Council agreed to provide funding of about £120 from the Projects Fund to purchase the bulbs.

13/245 VILLAGE TOILET

A new cleaner would be employed by the Victoria Institute and a review of charges would be made later.

13/246 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

LALC – It was reported that there had been a 32% reduction in Anti-social behaviour problems. Speed enforcement equipment was not calibrated at 20 mph and all these areas should be 'self policing'. A new Tourism Identity for Lancaster and the Lune Valley did not include any consultation at 'ground level'. Recycling in the area had received a Good Rating. The Three Tier Forum was likely to be replaced to give more say to Parishes.

Twinning – A Jumble sale is planned for 16th November and a Quiz will be held on Sunday 20th October.

13/247 REMEMBRANCE DAY

Sunday 10th November. A start time of 10.15 has been agreed. The Parish Council would arrange for the WI to put on Teas in the Institute afterwards. A Police presence would be requested at the round about to control the traffic during the 2 minutes silence.

It was noted that the War Memorial Gardens had looked particularly splendid this year.

13/248 CORRESPONDANCE

Please request from Clerk if interested

LALC Newsletter and Accounts

Development Management DPD& Morecambe Area Action Plan

13/249 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 12th November 2013. Agenda closes 7th November 2013

The meeting closed at 8.59 pm.