



CATTERALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY

1st NOVEMBER, 2016 at 7.00pm

AT CATTERALL VILLAGE HALL,
GARSTANG ROAD, CATTERALL

Present:

Councillors; *I. Brayshaw, Chairman*
J. Finch, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. S. Bulman,
Mrs. P. Bugeja
R. Hill,
J. Houghton,
K. O'Hanlon,
D. Sharples,
E. Taylor
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council,
County Councillors Sandra Perkins,
One member of the public

2686. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Wyre Cllr. Turner sent apologies.

2687. NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to state any interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting and are reminded that changes to their Register of Interests must be made within 28 days.

2688. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the Council meeting held on 4th October, 2016, having been circulated to members were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

2689. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing Orders were suspended to receive information.

Flooding problems on Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field

A resident was concerned that improvements to the playing field may be built into an area which floods at the rear of Whitewell Close. It was explained that the first phase is to improve the toddler and younger children's play areas, up to the Potato Field. Further improvements will be tackled in phases as and when funding is gained. The Councillors thanked Mr. Stevenson for his information which will be taken into consideration during further phases.

County Councillor's Report

Cllr. Perkins reported on a number of near misses suffered by a Forton resident when turning into their property on the A6, this prompted a traffic count last week by Lancashire Constabulary. After complaints the Councillor has had the piling hours on the Kepple Lane site restricted. The footpath outside the shop on Cock Robin Lane remains depressed and requires investigation. Cllr. Perkins was thanked for the school provision enquiry with Lancashire County Council concerning new residential developments.

The meeting was resumed.

2690. TRAFFIC CENSUS

Cllr. R. Hill suggested a traffic census is taken in the village to be used as a baseline to compare to the potential increase which may result in the major residential developments to be built in Catterall and Claughton. Councillors considered this would be useful information and the Police would be approached. There was concern that a Parish Council's census would not be accepted by Lancashire County Council, but as a local authority the Parish Council carries the same weight as other authorities.

Resolved: To approach the Police to carry out a traffic census on Garstang Road, Catterall.

2691. SHAPING YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD – LANCASTER CANAL TOWPATH RENOVATION PROJECT

Following the meetings a number of questions have been posed to Parish Councils for discussion at the council meeting. Information will be fed into a masterplan for costing and approval by the working group. Cllr. R. Hill provided a wealth of information on the state of the towpath through the full route of the canal from Forton to Bilsborrow.

Resolved: Cllr. Hill's canal information will be passed to Wyre Councillor Turner.

2692. STOPPING UP OF GOOSE LANE

The Department of Transport has been contacted concerning Goose Lane, which they considered is in Catterall, however, this gives Catterall Parish Council chance to comment. Councillors objected to the stopping up as it will curtail the access to Claughton Tip and it forces traffic through the new estate.

Resolved: Catterall Parish Council opposes the stopping up of Goose Lane.

2693. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning non material amendment has been granted:

16/00735/FUL

Proposal: Single storey side and rear extension, incorporation demolition of existing detached garage/outbuilding to rear.

Location: 4 Cock Robin Lane Catterall

16/00600/FUL

Proposal: Single-storey flat roofed side/front extension and parking area to front including dropped kerb

Location: 69 Hamers Wood Drive Catterall

Planning applications

Councillors commented on the following planning applications:

16/00877/FUL

Proposal: Single storey rear extension and conversion of garage to living accommodation

Location: 14 Nightingale Way Catterall

Resolved: Whilst the Parish Council does not object to the construction work, there is concern of potential increased street parking on an access road used by further estates on this development.

2694. REPORTS**Report on Queen Elizabeth II Field**

Cllr. J. Finch, working on behalf of the Parish Council, has been successful in securing funding from The Lancashire Environmental Fund added to the affordable housing funding

to pay towards the toddler and younger children's play area. Before LEF can release the land fill community funding under Sita UK, there must be a third party contribution of 10%. In this case it is Catterall Parish Council who is the third party. Playdale will require the order by the end of November and Councillors delegated this to the clerk working with Cllr. J. Finch, with the Parish Council making up the shortfall in the costs.

Resolved: Catterall Parish Council to pay 10% as the third party contribution to LEF.

Resolved: Cllr. J. Finch and the clerk to submit the equipment order to Playdale for the play area on Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field.

Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils

The was a disappointing attendance at the last meeting with only six Parish Council represented, despite the attendance of Wyre Council's chief executive. Parish Councils are to be asked to complete a questionnaire as to topics to discuss, the last mail out only gleaned the names of the representatives.

Catterall Village Hall Car Park Resurfacing Group

The members are to source a number of quotes as to resurfacing the car park.

2695. FINANCE

Replacement Computer

Last month Kirkland Parish Council sent a cheque which included the grounds maintenance contract plus £380; after receiving a grant for internet connection the Council put it towards the cost of the new computer. Therefore the cost of replacing the computer to both Catterall and Pilling Parish Council has been £4.67 each.

The following payments have been received;

1. Pilling Parish Council	£ 20.93
2. Wyre Council – section 106 monies	£26,798.00

Councillors resolved to pay the following invoices:

1. Clerk's Salary and expenses	£103.18	
2. Parish Lengthsman Wages and expenses	£344.94	
3. C and C Supplies	£ 14.40	
4. F H and M Davis and Son	£ 60.00	Catterall in Bloom
5. Lancashire Environmental Fund	£3,300.00	Queen Elizabeth II Field
6. Sue White Secretarial Services	£421.80	Catterall Crier
7. Glasdon UK Ltd.	£424.36	Litter bin
8. Jon Cuff Electrical Ltd	£ 36.00	Youth Shelter
9. Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	£ 50.00	Donation

Direct Debits/Standing Orders

1. PlusNet	£ 12.00
2. BT	£ 42.02
3. Staff costs	£1,440.00
4. Pension	£312.03
5. Easy-web-sites	£ 24.00

Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: Councillors accepted the bank reconciliations to 15th October, 2016.

Draft Budget

Councillors were presented with a suggested budget showing the Parish Council’s financial position to October with the explanation that the budget is produced to show what is to be spent next year and this determines the precept. Councillors were asked to put forward proposals for work/projects to be carried out next year, include costings, to allow Councillors to fully consider any ideas. Catterall in Bloom £300 and £1,000 for improvements to the canal towpath through the parish were added.

Thanks

Thanks from St. Helens Parochial Church Council for the Parish Council donation.

2696. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS

Tree Preservation Order

Wyre Council confirms the Tree Preservation Order made on 29th June, 2016 for 6 trees along the east side of the A6 between Cock Robin Lane and Greenland’s Farm; having received no objections. The order is confirmed to preserve the trees against the threat of felling, top, lop, uproot, wilful damage or to wilfully destroy or cause or permit any of these activities without written consent of Wyre Council.

Roadside verge at the Pickerings site

A Councillor raised the ownership of the verge between the pavement and the fence for Holly Lodge as it is becoming a mess.

Catterall in Bloom

Catterall in Bloom has been awarded silver gilt this year, a step up from last year’s silver, in North West in Bloom run by the RHS. Congratulations were offered by the Councillors, who were thanked by the committee for their support during the season.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm.

Date

Chairman