



CATTERALL PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON TUESDAY
1st AUGUST, 2017 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,
S. Kirkman,
D. Sharples
E. Taylor,
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council,
Lancashire County Councillor and Wyre Councillor Shaun Turner,
Sergeant Danielle Freeney,
P C Matt Butcher
3 residents

2791. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. K. O'Hanlon for this meeting

2792. 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.

2793. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the Council meeting held on 4th July, 2017, having been circulated to members were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

2794. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing Orders were suspended to receive information.

Lodge Park/The Parklands

Residents were concerned at the damage the fence between the open space on Parklands and Lodge Park was receiving from children climbing over and back. There concerns were for the children as the fence will not take the weight and may injure themselves. Wyre Council Turner will enquire about ownership of the open space and notices asking 'Do not climb' were suggested. The Police reported they had visited the open space following up on reports and met with Wyre Council to display signs for anti-social behaviour.

Flooding this morning in the village

Due to the constant and heavy rainfall over two hours this morning a large number of roads in Catterall were flooded and this has impacted into drives, gardens and close to

flooding homes. A resident of Cock Robin Lane was unsuccessful in getting immediate action from either Lancashire County Council or Wyre Council as there is no dedicated emergency helpline. Similar weather was experienced last week, it appears that the road gullies are so full of debris they are unable to take heavy rainwater. A Lancashire County Council gully jetter did attend during the rain, but only attended to two gullies before leaving. Cllr. Turner reported an amendment to the budget with additional money being available for gully cleaning, it was noted that roads in Catterall had not received gully cleaning for some years. Councillors raised the amount of new builds putting pressure on these systems and it can only increase with the 300 plus new houses about to be built along in Catterall and Claughton.

Including a Police Report

June Crime – A broken wing mirror and scratches on a vehicle were reported while it was parked at Catterall Village Hall overnight, the driver of a transit van took a washing machine left outside a property on Stone Cross Gardens left for someone to pick up and a front number plate was stolen from a vehicle parked in Nightingale Way. An up and over garage door on Thornbank Avenue was forced and residents of Conway Close reported offenders causing a nuisance in the street.

Anti-Social Behaviour – Neighbourhood problems were reported in Toulmin Close, threats through Facebook were reported by a resident on Thornbank Drive, a house party on Conway Close got out of hand and resulted in the Ambulance Service being called.

July Crime – A picket fence was stolen at the Parklands, an assault was reported at Catterall playing field and a male has been arrested with investigations progressing and a stable yard was broken into on Catterall Lane and property taken from a horse box, entry into the tack room triggered the alarm and the offenders left leaving all property. A resident reported further incidents in a long running harassment issue, the contents of a builders skip on Catterall Lane were set alight and a rock was used to smash the windscreen of a vehicle on Thornbank Drive. The roadside fencing was broken at Catterall Village Hall and a resident gained access to an online bank account and transferred money without authorisation.

Anti-Social Behaviour – A resident was reported to be moving goods from a property, littering on Catterall Lane was reported and a call with good intent was made after raised voices were heard inside the callers home, causing the caller to fear for the safety of the occupants of the property.

Sergeant Freeney also reported on the wide use of gas canisters, as for domestic fizzy drinks machines, in the area. Many are being found by the boxful.

Report of the Wyre Councillor

Cllr. Turner was asked to enquire about the planning department's staffing as they can be difficult to contact.

Report of the County Councillor

County is undertaking a restructure and streamlining systems within County Hall for efficiency. The serious financial situation is beginning to come under control with priority listings for council duties. Cllr. Turner is chasing up a number of highway issues and reported there will be more money for repairs to roads and potholes.

The meeting was resumed.

2795. VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCIL

The time has passed for the calling of an election; Councillors are asked to co-opt a member as soon as is practicable.

Resolved: There were no nominations at this meeting.

2796. LITTER BIN FOR THE NEW PLAY AREA

There is no dedicated litter bin in the new Toddler and Junior Play Area; the nearest takes all rubbish including dog faeces as dog walkers use it leaving the river bank. Councillors considered a child friendly bin in the shape of a Robin, which also has a voice box to thank those using the bin and agreed to purchase one.

Resolved; To purchase a litterbin in the shape of a robin for the Toddler and Junior Play Area.

The Parish Lengthsman has reported the metal litter bin at the youth shelter has rotted through the base and needs replacing.

Resolved: To remove this litterbin and approach Wyre Council to take responsibility for their litterbin on the playing field.

2797. CIRCUS ON QUEEN ELIZABETH II PLAYING FIELD

James Richards Circus is asking permission to use the Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field between 2nd and 8th July, 2018. This is a family run non-animal circus playing at small local venues. Risk assessments, hygiene certificate and event emergency procedures were included for Councillors to consider. Potential problems were raised with the area the tent and vans would take up and if this would impact on the trim trail and older children's play area.

Resolved: To contact the circus as to area required, ground spikes into the field with the drainage pipes and a water supply

2798. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning application has been granted;

15/00248/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of condition 3 (phasing scheme), Condition 7 (surface drainage), Condition 11 (Land Contamination), Condition 12 (Gas Protection), Condition 24 (Highway works) Condition 25 (Highways), Condition 26 (Internal Access) on planning application 15/00248/OULMAJ

Location: Land Bounded By Garstang Road, Preston Lancaster New Road and Joe Lane Catterall

16/00395/FULMAJ

Proposal: Part retrospective application for the retention of the existing steel framed agricultural building for storage and the existing 2.4m earth bunds along the northern and eastern sides of the building and for the creation of a new 3m high earth bund to the south-west of the building and new tree planting.

Location: Higher Silcock Farm Catterall Lane Catterall

17/00459/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a 1.8m high garden wall (following demolition of existing fence)

Location: 148 Garstang Road, Catterall

17/00439/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective application for change of use of agricultural building to B1 (light industrial) for fish tank manufacturing business including new associated car park

Location: Greenlands Farm Garstang Bypass Road Catterall

17/00486/LAWP

Proposal: Construction of 15 monopole on concrete base with ancillary antennas, ductwork, and cable trays.

Location: Electricity Sub Station 35M from 1 Catterall Lane Catterall

For Information:

14/00681/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of condition 14 (Landscape and habitat creation scheme) on application 14/00681/OUTMAJ.

Location: Daniel Fold Farm Daniel Fold Lane Catterall

14/00681/DIS1

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 05 (ground, slab and floor levels), 09 (surface water drainage), 10 (foul water drainage), 15 (site investigation) and 19 (site enclosure details) on application 14/00681/OUTMAJ

Location: Daniel Fold Farm Daniel Fold Lane Catterall

2799. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Report on Queen Elizabeth II Field

Cllr. J. Finch received notification from Sport England to a grant appeal, although successful at £20,000, this will not cover the costs of the trim trail and exercise equipment. An expression of Interest has been submitted for European money for not only the rest of the trim trail, but the older children's play area. Site meetings have been arranged with play companies to receive quotes for submission.

Report of the representative on Catterall Village Hall

Cllr. R. Hill reported that work is to start on the Village Hall roof, with the solar panels firm being recalled and the sill on the double doors.

Report of the representative on Catterall Gala

Cllr. S. Kirkman reported the Gala Committee has received the Parish Council's donation.

Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils

Cllr. J. Finch reported Tom Myerscough from the Wyre Rivers Trust gave a well-received presentation and Sergeant Freeney informed us of the Farm Project with the Police and Fire Service working together.

Wyre River Trust

Cllr. E. Taylor reported on the site meeting with Tom Myerscough, Wyre Rivers Trust, at the River Calder collapsed banking. Mr. Myerscough considers the reinstatement was not a major job and he will be presenting a repair plan to the Environment Agency using natural materials. Uprights will be woven with Willow into the banking this September to catch silt during Winter with further planting next year building up the bank gradually. Although he is looking for funding; volunteers are needed to complete the tasks. It was suggested to approach Garstang Academy.

Lancaster Canal Towpath Renovation Project

Rosie Green was expecting replies from Parish Councils wishing to be involved by the end of July when the next meeting will be arranged.

Defibrillator Fund Raising

There have been fears about being sued for trying to resuscitate, however the Good Shepherds Act comes into place which states if action is taken with the best possible intent there is no legal standing.

Catterall in Bloom

Judging took place on 21st July in not the best of weather, the judges were impressed although found litter on the street. They were most interested in the playing field project and the renovated sluice. Thank you cards were received from the committee thanking the Parish Council for their support and confirming the hampers competition winners.

2800. FINANCE

The following payments have been received;

1. Pilling Parish Council	£ 23.96	Phone and Broadband
2. Pilling Parish Council – Lengthsman	£ 91.77	working in Pilling
3. Mr. J. B. Dewhurst – Defibrillator sponsor	£300.00	
4. Shared Approach – Defibrillator Sponsor	£150.00	

Councillors resolved to pay the following invoices:

1. Mrs. A. Parker – Catterall in Bloom	£115.26	
2. Clerk's Salary and expenses	£ 62.30	
3. Parish Lengthsman Wages and expenses	£391.14	
4. R R Kippax and Son	£1,140.00	
5. C and C Supplies	£ 25.98	
6. Houghtons Filling Station	£ 71.33	
7. Olive Branch Landscapes	£312.00	
8. Nortech Security Systems Ltd.	£ 67.44	
9. Forsyth and Steele	£108.00	Play Area Signs
10. Haldane Fisher	£ 4.15	
11. Mrs. A. Parker – Catterall in Bloom	£ 46.58	

Direct Debits/Standing Orders

PlusNet	£ 12.00
BT	£ 54.54
Staff costs	£1,440.00
Pensions	£377.84
Easy-web-sites	£ 24.00
Siemens Finance Service – Pavement Sweeper	£220.80

Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: The Bank reconciliation to 15th July, 2017 was accepted.

2801. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS**Closing of Cock Robin Shop**

With the closing of the shop on Cock Robin Lane there was debate over the possibility of a community shop working from a container on the Village Hall car park. It was raised that a local shop had opened at St. Helen's Church and permission would be needed from the Village Hall Committee, plus reliable volunteers would be essential to run the enterprise.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm.

Date

Chairman