

CATTERALL PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

HELD ON TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER, 2014, At 7.30pm

**AT CATTERALL VILLAGE HALL,
GARSTANG ROAD, CATTERALL**



Present: *Councillors; S. Blanthorn-Hazell, Chairman,
Mrs. P. Bugeja,
Miss J. Finch,
D. Harvey,
Mrs P. Hofstetter,
J. Houghton,
D. Sharples,
Mrs. E. Thomas
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council,
County Councillor Mrs. S. Perkins
Wyre Cllr. D. Swift,
Two residents*

2385. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. I. Brayshaw and Cllr. E. Taylor.

2386. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to state their pecuniary and non pecuniary interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting.

2387. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the Council meetings held on 5th August, 2014, having been circulated to members were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

2388. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Standing Orders were suspended to allow residents to speak.

Police Report

Crimes reported last month include unknown offender(s) setting fire to a waste bin on Catterall Playing Field, 5 unknown offenders on Garstang Road damaging the front wing of a parked vehicle with tarmac, a domestic incident on Old Lancaster Road and an argument on Whitewell Close, which lead to punches being thrown.

Anti-social behaviour incidents included comments on Facebook and personal messages at an address on Thornbank Drive, youths suspected of throwing objects at passing cars from Catterall Playing Fields, an abandoned car on Garstang Bypass Road, a dispute when a delivery driver was insulted and sworn at, when making a delivery on Garstang Bypass Road and a neighbour dispute on Thornbank Drive.

County Councillor

County Councillor Mrs. Sandra Perkins complimented the Parish Council on the Memorial Gate and plaque, dedicated at the weekend and then reported on a meeting she had attended in Wyre to discuss the Wyre Area Lancashire Association of Local Councils planning applications letter sent to Cllr. Peter Gibson, leader of Wyre Council and Garry Payne, the Chief Executive. Wyre Council stated there is no legal reason why all these large planning applications shouldn't go ahead. The Kepple Lane plan received a deferment, but would probably be granted tomorrow at committee as the developer is to pay towards education and highways.

Lancashire County Council has lost out on a bid for grants towards community transport. The County Councillor will be holding a memory café in Garstang Library on the first Wednesday of the month. She was asked about the tip opening and it is hoped it could be before Christmas.

The meeting was resumed.

2389. LUNE VALLEY RURAL HOUSING ASSOCIATION

The association invites Catterall Parish Council to become a shareholder to help raise the profile of the association and guide the strategic aims of providing more affordable homes for local people. Whilst the Parish Council would wish to have an input into homes in the Parish it is felt more advisable not to become a shareholder in one particular social landlord at this time.

Resolved: Not to become a shareholder at this time.

2390. PARKING PROBLEMS ON CALDER DRIVE

Cllr. J. Houghton has been approached by residents of Calder Drive as to the narrow road and lack of parking spaces, especially from numbers 23 to 27. There is a suggestion that the grass could be removed to accommodate vehicles and Councillors considered this in the light of a similar scheme carried out in Garstang.

The meeting was suspended to allow residents to speak

The lack of parking spaces is causing animosity between families, the grassed area is too small for play and Wyre Council's cutting standard has left the area two foot deep in grass at the present time as it is 8 weeks since the last cut.

The meeting was resumed.

Councillors were sympathetic to the request, but would need to establish the landowner initially to proceed. The matter will also be raised with Lancashire County Council highways through the County Councillor.

Resolved: To establish the landowner of the grass area on Calder Drive.

2391. WYRE LOCAL PLAN PARISH COUNCILS AND WARD MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

Councillors have arranged a meeting on 8th September with the Wyre planning team to raise concerns in Catterall.

Resolved: The meeting with Wyre was confirmed and members of Claughton Parish Council will join with discussions.

2392. DONATION REQUEST

St Helens' Parochial Church Council wishes the Parish Council to consider a donation towards the upkeep of the graveyard for this year. Councillors considered this request.

Resolved: To donate £130 towards the upkeep of the graveyard at St. Helen's Church.

2393. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning application has been refused;

14/00445/FUL

Proposal: Two-storey side extension and single-storey rear extension

Location: 34 The Parklands, Catterall

Planning Appeal

The following planning refusal is going to appeal:

13/00607/OUTMAJ

Proposal: Outline application for erection of 9 dwellings including siting and access

Location: Land North of Catterall Gates Lane, Catterall

Planning Enforcement

Case Ref: 14/00219/ADVERT

Alleged Breach: Erection of illuminated signage

Location: Cock Robin News, Cock Robin Lane

Planning applications to be considered for comment:

14/00641/FUL

Proposal: Barn conversion to create two residential properties and new access

Location: Land Adjacent To Rylstone Catterall Lane Catterall

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and seeks neighbourhood notification.

2394. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**Report on the dedication of the Memorial Gate, Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field**

The dedication of the Memorial Gate and tiles took place on Sunday 31st August



Thanks were shared with Councillor D. Harvey who carried the project forward. The dedication service was given by Reverend Andrew Wilkinson and attended by two members of the armed forces, Parish Councillors and many residents.

Report of the representative on Catterall Village Hall

A recent meeting raised the replacement of windows and the double doors in the Village Hall

Report of the representative on Kirkland and Catterall Memorial Hall

A Trustee Meeting has identified refurbishment needs, but the income may not cover these aspirations.

Finance Meeting held on 18th August, 2014

Resolved: The Finance Report was accepted by Councillors.

2395. FINANCE

The following payments have been received;

1. HM Revenue and Customs – VAT Refund	£2,042.97	
2. Pilling Parish Council	£ 20.01	Telephone/internet costs
3. Wyre Council – Refund of planning application	£192.50	
4. Zurich Municipal Insurance claim for CCTV	£1,775.00	

Councillors resolved to pay the following invoices:

1. Clerk's Salary and expenses	£ 75.54	
2. Parish Lengthsman Wages and expenses	£333.03	
3. C and C Supplies	£ 40.80	Wheelbarrow
4. Garstang Timber	£ 26.99	Legs - noticeboard
5. C A Traffic	£403.20	SpID – MOT
6. St. Helen's Parochial Church Council	£130.00	

Direct Debits

BT	£ 30.72
PlusNet	£ 18.00
Staff costs	£1,400.00
Pension	£279.49

Bank Reconciliation

Information included. Bank reconciliation to 5th August and 15th August, 2014.

Equipment for Parish Lengthsman

Resolved: To purchase a lightweight strimmer to negotiate the more intricate grass areas in the Parish by the Parish Lengthsman.

2396. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS**Stopping up of Catterall Lane**

Lancashire County Council has confirmed that as the Parish Council objected to the stopping up County can no longer proceed with the matter. The County can not go to court without the consent of the Parish Council.

Public Footpath number 1

The footpath has been report as the landowner has erected high fencing and cameras around his property which includes the footpath.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

Date

Chairman