

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 8th JULY 2014.**

PRESENT: Councillors J Jackson, J Walmsley, R Gibbons, P Woolgar, J Pritchard and CEC Kynch

14/207 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors V Richards (away), D Nesbitt (away), R Paine (away), J Parkinson (away), R Elvis (away) and V Williams (illness) and County Councillor Mrs S Charles sent their apologies.

14/208 OPEN SESSION

Two members of the public attended to explain the rationale regarding the planning application on field 2357. The building would house 60 cattle which would have access outside for exercise. Feeding and robotic milking would be inside. A tanker would collect milk every other day. Slurry would be stored underground (4 month storage capacity).

14/209 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 10th June 2014

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 10th June 2014 were confirmed with two amendments

14/193 Changed to 'Working Group'

14/200 Added 'and voted against supporting it and agreed not to pursue the matter of a lease'

and then signed as a correct record.

14/210 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT).

There was no report.

14/211 PLANNING

Applications **Received** :-

14/00648/FUL Erection of Agricultural Building
Field 2357, Caton Green Road, Caton Green

No Objections

14/00565/FUL Single storey side extension and porch
12 Pinewood Avenue, Brookhouse

Concern was expressed at the proximity to neighbouring properties.

14/00547/FUL Extension to existing porch
The Cairns, Caton Green Road, Caton Green

No Objections

13/01183/CU Change of use and conversion of redundant barn to one-bed dwelling
Land adj. 8 The Croft, Caton

No Objections

Applications Permitted :-

14/0071/TPO Work to various trees
Old Hall Barn, Brookhouse Road, Brookhouse

Applications Withdrawn :-

14/00085/FUL Demolition of garage and erection of 2 storey extension to side and rear
with attached garage
25 Caton Green Road, Brookhouse

14/212 HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

A response to the Housing Needs and Land Allocation documents and to Planning Applications for Housing developments was agreed based on the working group meeting. This would be forwarded to the City Council.

A meeting of local rural Parish Councils will be held in Wray on Tuesday 15th July. Cllrs Kynch, Walmsley and Woolgar agreed to attend.

It was agreed to request that the Playing Fields and Bowling Green at the Station Hotel be listed as 'Assets of Community Value'.

14/213 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

The City Council would be looking at the feasibility of training for Parish Councillors on the Planning Framework.

14/214 HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

Geoff Roberts is unable to do odd jobs until the Autumn. We would try and find someone else. The hedges on the pavement between Holme Lane and Bargh's are overgrown as are some on Caton Green Road. This will be reported.

It was agreed to get a 'Green Bin' for the War Memorial Gardens and arrange for the City Council to empty it.

A pot hole on Littledale Road would be reported as will the fact that the no parking line outside the Methodist Church on Brookhouse Road have not been reinstated after the surface dressing.

14/215 FINANCE

Proposed Cllr J Pritchard seconded Cllr C Kynch and **resolved** that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary June & Travel expenses, RB Alexander	£	469.48
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, July & Aug	£	80.00
Ms J Hudson-Mather, Fell View zip wire locking, July & Aug	£	80.00
Lancaster City Council, Fell View Grass Cutting	£	223.96
Heather McNaught, War Memorial gardens	£	560.00
Eon, car park electricity	£	17.91

14/216 FELL VIEW PLAY AREA

It was agreed to purchase a pallet of 'Cushionfall' at a cost of £ 160.50 . It would be spread by volunteers.

Quotations for the Grass cutting had been obtained

Open space currently £40.50 per cut - with grass collection £ 60.75 per cut

Play Area currently £22.41 per cut - with grass collection £ 49.41 per cut.

It was agreed to continue as before.

14/217 WAR MEMORIAL

Kenneth A Fraser provided costs for cleaning etc. Cleaning £ 1050, Securing all pebbles £ 250 repointing steps £ 185. A sealer could be applied after cleaning at a cost of £ 325.

Additional costs would be obtained for the September meeting.

It was agreed that it was not worth pursuing any Grants from the War Memorials Trust.

14/218 WEB SITE

Ownership, Management and Insurance implications were clarified.

The village website was redesigned (an earlier version existed) in 2007 on the initiative of Steve Smithson (current webmaster) and Ian Maxwell (then chairman of the PC). The domain name is registered to the Parish Council who also pay any domain renewal fees (last renewed 16 July 2012 for 5 years at a cost of £20.70). The parish council pays Steve £120 per annum for hosting the site (last paid October 2013). The website upgrade and maintenance is done at no cost to the council.

The 2007 website had the copyright on the website assigned to the PC and in its welcome stated that it was the website of the Parish Council. This has been repeated on the new website. So the evidence confirms that the website does belong to the PC. Steve and Parish Councillors working on the website, and other authorised users, are adequately covered by the PC's insurance. The website contains links to a range of sources of information about the village, including Lancaster and Lancashire councils, the police, and local organisations.

Cllr J Walmsley would remain as the Parish Council link and would set up a Management Group and report back.

14/219 BT WAYLEAVE

BT have requested a way leave for a cable under the Station Road car park. The standard fee is £30 however they have agreed to an administration fee of £20. We would be able to make a claim (in Tort) against them for any subsidence for a period of six years.

It was agreed to accept this and provide photographs and a tarmac specification.

14/220 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Twinning –20 adults and 6 children had signed up for the trip to Socx. Roger Dillon was doing a sponsored cycle ride (400 miles) to arrive in time for the visit.

Play Park Action Group AGM – They would like to consider having a wide slide, a youth shelter and possibly a 'willow shelter' at the Play Park. There was enthusiastic support for a 'Trim Trail' and cycle racks outside the Co-op

14/221 CORRESPONDANCE

Please request from Clerk if interested

LALC Newsletter, June

LALC AGM 8th November at County Hall, Preston

Mrs P Creswell thanked the PC for the flowers

14/222 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 9th September 2014. Agenda closes
4th September.

Conditions for Grant Funding

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.