MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 10th March 2009

PRESENT: Councillors J Pritchard, R Elvis, J Jackson, J Parkinson, R Gibbons, CEC

Kynch, S Langhorn, PM Quinton, P Marshall and Dr DB Coltman. PC Carl Wood and PCSO Peter Wood attended by invitation.

09/135 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors M Williams and V Williams and County Councillor Mrs S Charles sent their apologies.

09/136 OPEN SESSION

Mr Dowswell attended to see if any progress had been made in providing Allotments in Caton. Following discussion regarding the Kids Club mini-bus and the Transport Grant monies it was agreed that further advice be sought.

09/137 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 10th February 2009

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

09/138 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT).

It was reported that there had been three crimes – Shop-lifting (detected), theft from a vehicle and criminal damage to a vehicle at Bull Beck.

The Police will be working full night shifts soon in a bid to police poaching etc. There will also be better coverage between PC Johnston and PC Wood.

Other items to be looked into include Graffiti at Bull Beck, Artlebeck Road traffic problems and assault at the Station Hotel.

The Road Policing Unit are targeting speeding in the area.

A full application form from the Pact Youth Group has been requested regarding the possible funding for the mini-bus purchase.

09/139 PLANNING

Applications received:-

09/00138/LB Replacement of steps and balustrade wall to form boundary wall

Moorlands, Caton Green Road, Brookhouse

No objections

09/00162/ADV Illuminated facia, pole sign and window graphics

Co-op Village Store, Hornby Road, Caton

Objection to the inappropriate graphics, illumination not to be above existing levels

09/0011/TPO Reduce crown and trim sycamore

Mr Wakefield, 10 Kingfisher Court, Caton

No objections

01/09/0199 Erection of vehicle/material storage building (replacement)

Highways Depot, Hornby road, Caton

Insufficient screening to the yard on all sides.

Applications Approved :-

09/00022/LB Air vent and wood burning stove

Old Hall Farm, Moorside Road, Brookhouse

Application Withdrawn:-

08/01403/FUL Erection of conservatory and single storey extension to rear.

Mrs D Williams, 51 Moorside Road, Brookhouse

Application **Refused**:-

09/00007/FUL Erection of single storey extension and dormer

Miss M Flynn, 28 Hornby Road, Caton

09/140 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Moor Platt Meeting Friday 20th March 2.00 to present update from Project team.

City Council budget approved. Bull Beck toilets have been saved.

The review of Parish funding etc will be undertaken..

Cycling Grants available from City Council (27th March deadline).

Caton St Paul's School were winners of the recent Dodge Ball Festival – congratulations!

09/141 LENGTHSMAN, HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

Lengthsmans time sheets for Jan and Feb were available.

The Clerk was asked to report the following:-

Fish stones bollard and repointing of stones

Litter bin on bus stop by Station Hotel

Fell View gate, Benches on Lancaster Road. New bench outside Victoria Institute (old to be given to the Bowling Club).

Pot holes on Brookhouse Road.

Graffiti on road signs throughout the area.

Rotten fencing on Millennium Park by the Artlebeck culvert.

09/142 FINANCE

It was agreed to give a grant of £ 500 to St Paul's Church towards the Burial Grounds Maintenance.

Proposed Cllr C Kynch, seconded Cllr D Coltman and <u>resolved</u> that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary Feb & Travel expenses, RB. Alexander	£	456.09
(Note: Salary paid gross, Tax will become Clerk's responsibility at year end)		
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, March	£	40.00
J Chaplow & Son Ltd, tarmacing	£	1,817.00
Lancaster Trophy Centre, trophies garden Competition	£	40.00
Best Kept Village Comp, Entry Fee	£	30.00
Lancaster City Council, Inspect Fell View	£	35.08
United Utilities, Car park waste water	£	39.64
Chris Hill, War Memorial wall, Insurance repair	£	3,071.65
St Paul's Church, Grant	£	500.00

09/143 FELL VIEW

First meeting postponed until Thursday 12th March at 6.00.

Cllr C Kynch has agreed to 'drive' the project. Funding is only available for new concept of natural play – not just for the replacement of existing equipment.

09/144 BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Entry being prepared.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would not provide the Hanging Basket service this year.

09/145 COMMUNITY AWARDS

It was agreed to put a notice in the Link asking for nominations.

The Schools Award would be presented at the end of the summer term.

09/146 PARISH MEETING

It will be held at St Paul's School Brookhouse on Thursday 30th April 7.30 pm. A speaker on Fair Trade will be invited and local businesses would be invited to attend.

09/147 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Victoria Institute – Framed certificates etc. will shortly be hung in the Institute.

Twinning – Funding of £ 100 received from the Black Bull Committee. Grant application has been submitted to the E.U. for the visit from Socx this summer. Next Fund Raising Event is a Games Night on Friday 24^{th} April

09/148 LALC AND CORRESPONDANCE

Please request from Clerk if interested

Parish Council Funding – joint PC approach to Lancaster City Council. Town and Parish Standard
Adoption of Joint Lancs Minerals and Waste Dev. Framework and Consultation Public Consultation Events for Lancaster Science Park 4-5 March Mayoral 'At Homes' – Saturday 28th March Lancaster Town Hall 3-6 pm free Skipton East Lancs Rail Action Partnership Campaign

Mayor's Reception for Parish Councillors – Thursday 19th March Town Hall 7.00pm

 $09/149 - \text{ITEMS} / \text{DATE OF NEXT MEETING} - \text{Tuesday } 14^{\text{th}} \text{ April } 2009. \text{ Agenda closes } 8^{\text{th}} \text{ April } 2009$

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.