## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

PRESENT: Councillors PM Quinton, J Pritchard, R Elvis, V Williams, J Jackson, P Marshall, J Parkinson, M Williams, Dr DB Coltman and CEC Kynch.

PC Ian Johnson and PCSO Peter Woods attended by invitation.

### 07/102 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors R Gibbons and S Langhorn sent their apologies.

### 07/103 OPEN SESSION

It was announced that Brookhouse were runners-up in the Champion Village Class of the Best Kept Village Competition. There is a certificate and Trophy to be held for a year.

Graham Ransom attended to talk about how to breathe new life into the Village Garden Competition. The competition had become somewhat jaded over the last few years with the same people winning and few turning up to receive their prizes. The Parish Council thanked the Gardening Club for organising the competition and agreed that it was time to rethink the format to encourage more people to get involved. Various ideas will be put forward for consideration at a future Parish Council meeting.

### 07/104 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>th</sup> June 2007

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th June were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### 07/105 MATTERS ARISING.

- 07/088 Parking Wardens have been asked and have agreed to patrol at the Crook O'Lune at weekends etc.
- 07/0 The Victoria Institute have agreed rehang the Chairman's Board (by a chain). Now the entrance has been redecorated a working group would meet on 6th August to organise the hanging of photographs and certificates.
- 07/094 Audit documents have been completed an sent off to the External Auditor.
- 07/078 Bins. Replacement bins have been installed however the one at Broadacre/Fell View has raised complaints and has been taken away. Other sites would be considered.
- 07/097 Twinning. A Meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 17th July 8.00 pm Caton Police House. Details of Socx School have been passed to both our schools and hopefully this will lead to dialogue between schools.

# 07/106 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT)

There were 32 calls logged of which two were crimes; the theft of tools from a van and lead from Moor Platt. Others related to road related incidents, youth problems, anti-social and suspicious behaviour. Eight fixed penalty notices had been issued at the Zebra Crossing.

It was noted that smoking outside Public Houses had caused some noise problems.

Twelve youths are to be taken on an Activity week-end in Appleby.

It was agreed to request railings at the Zebra Crossing to prevent parking. The Parish Council wanted some input into the type and siting.

### 07/107 PLANNING

### Applications Received :-

- 07/00631/CU Change of use from Police House to community use for meetings Police House, 37 Hornby Road, Caton No objections
- 07/00899/FUL Two external stores Caton St Paul's Primary School, Moorside Road, Brookhouse No objections
- 07/00917/FUL Canvas Awning Station Hotel, Hornby Road, Caton No objections

Applications Approved :-

Tree Preservation Order 400 (2007). Trees on Moor Platt Site.

### 07/108 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

A pilot study into Neighbourhood Management in Rural Areas was to be undertaken. The Parishes under consideration included Caton, Ellel and Silverdale. There was to be a seminar on 12th July. The Parish Council agreed to support Caton's inclusion.

Routes for leaf sweeping in the area were being planned.

Fell View Council Houses – repairs had been undertaken and the 'burnt out' house would be re-let soon.

The City Council were undertaking a review of Polling Stations and it was agreed that St Paul's School was not really 'disabled friendly' and that the Methodist Church should be proposed as an alternative.

The Planning Enquiry for the M6 Link Road started on 10th July.

### 07/109 LENGTHSMAN, HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

The bus shelter at the Victoria Institute would be renovated at a cost of  $\pounds$  1,500 to be paid from the Parish Transport Project funds. Full length Glass panels and replacement seat would be provided.

The rebuilding of the planter on Sycamore Road would be chased

The Following were to be reported to the relevant authorities :-

Fly tipping on Moorside Road and by New House Farm.

Flooding problems on Lancaster Road, Berry Cottages, and on Littledale Road.

Road sign to Sycamore Crescent

It was agreed that members of the Competitions Sub-committee be involved in the judging of the garden competition.

### 07/110 FINANCE

Proposed Cllr M Williams, seconded Cllr V Williams and <u>resolved</u> that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary June & Travel expenses, RB. Alexander	
(Note £ 86.25 Tax has been deducted, payable annually to the Inland Revenue) £	329.24
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, July £	40.00
Logo Plus, Chairman's Board update £	11.75
Eon Electricity, car park light £	9.03
PWLB, Loan repayment due August £	637.70

# 07/111 LIBRARY

Cllr Quinton declared an interest.

The request for funding was discussed and it was agreed that initially a grant of  $\pm$  150 would be made for additional shelving. The matter of a lap top computer and software would be considered once further details had been sorted out.

The County Library would run alongside the Community Library and use the same volunteers. A catalogue of Books had been produced.

# 07/112 STORAGE

Storage of Parish Council archives would be discussed with the Victoria Institute. It should be possible to find somewhere.

#### 07/113 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no reports

07/114 LALC AND CORRESPONDANCE

#### Please request from Clerk if interested ####

Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service Progress Report 06-07 LAPTC News letter One Voice

07/115 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2007. Agenda closes 6<sup>th</sup> September 2007

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.