

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CATON-WITH-LITTLEDALE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 13th October 2009**

PRESENT: Councillors S Langhorn, J Pritchard, R Elvis, J Parkinson, V Williams, R Gibbons, CEC Kynch J Jackson, PM Quinton & Dr DB Coltman,.
PC Carl Wood attended by invitation.

09/234 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors M Williams & P Marshall and County Councillor Mrs S Charles sent their apologies.

09/235 OPEN SESSION

Brookhouse won the Medium Village Category in the Best Kept Village Competition this year. Station Garage won a Certificate of Merit and Caton Post Office were Highly Commended.

Alan Dowswell of the Allotment Association attended to get an update on the Allotments.

09/236 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 8th SEPTEMBER 2009

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 8th September were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

09/237 POLICE AND COMMUNITY TOGETHER (PACT).

PC Carl Wood reported that there had been 4 crimes – One a minor assault outside the Station Hotel; an arrest is imminent. The others related to incidents involving 3 youth from Underley Hall School, including damage to vehicles and caravan and the theft of two bikes. They are now being dealt with by the Courts. Anti-social behaviour has been reduced and speed checks are being conducted in the evenings as are operations against poaching and hunt saboteurs.

09/238 PLANNING

Applications **Received** :-

09/00600/ADV Erection of non-illuminated fascia sign
Lunsdale Lawn Tennis Club, Hornby Road, Caton

No Objections

09/00783/FUL Demolition of garage and erection of two storey side extension
Mr & Mrs Thorsby, 21 Copy Lane, Caton

Possibly too big, intrusive appearance and not appropriate to the size of the site. Car parking may be a problem.

09/00841/FUL Installation of external play equipment to school playing field
Caton St Paul's Primary School, Moorside Road, Brookhouse

No Objections

09/00886/FUL Erection of temporary (3 year) 50m high meteorology mast
Community Windpower Ltd, Roeburndale

No comments

09/00952/FUL Construction of porch and new entrance onto Copy Lane etc.
Mr D Collins, Greenfield Farm, The Croft, Caton

In spite of new site lines etc. this entrance will be detrimental to road safety in the area.

Appeal :-

09/00401/FUL Erection of lean-to extension to side

09/00402/LB Mr K Murphy, 5 Manor Court, Caton Green, Brookhouse

Applications Approved :-

09/00617/FUL Demolition of lean-to and erection of conservatory
Mr Hellyer, 2 Kirkbeck Close, Brookhouse

09/00758/FUL Erection of conservatory to rear
Mr & Mrs Taylor, 31 Pinewood Avenue, Brookhouse

09/00767/FUL Erection of single storey extension to side and rear
Mr S Hall, 59 Fell View, Caton

09/00770/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension
Mr N Smith, 11 Brookhouse Road, Caton

09/00771/CU Change of use of former shop to living accommodation
Mr M Hall, 15 Brookhouse Road, Caton

09/00774/FUL Erection of two storey extension to rear
Mr & Mrs Fawcett, 73 Hornby Road, Caton

09/00805/FUL Erection of extension to rear
Mr P Kettlewell, 13 Brookhouse Road, Caton

09/00891/CU Selling of Christmas Trees annually in December
Bull Beck Picnic Site, Hornby Road, Caton

Applications Withdrawn :-

09/00784/FUL Construction of porch and new entrance onto Copy Lane etc.
Mr D Collins, Greenfield Farm, The Croft, Caton

09/239 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

The Council Housing manager had walked round Fell View with Cllr J Pritchard and was going to investigate the grass cutting and who pays for what and arranging for alleys etc to be tidied up.

Allotments in urban areas will be funded through 'Special Expenses'.

The County Council have given assurances on working together with the District..

09/240 LENGTHSMAN, HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

LCC Highways have agreed to restrictions to parking on Brookhouse Road (Caton end) however this will be a lengthy process to implement.

A replacement glass panel to the Copy Lane Bus Shelter will be actioned.

The Property Group had done their inspection and reported that leaves at Station Road Car Park required sweeping and additional gravel was requested for the Hornby Road car park. Other jobs to be actioned were repointing the Fish Stones, Lose slat in a seat at Fell View, broken support on the Lancaster Road seat and cleaning the paving stones at the War Memorial.

A sign on Holme Lane had been broken and there were problems with dog fouling here and on the Millennium Park. A note would be put in the Link. The hedge on the roadside by Bargh's garage required cutting back. The pot holes in Bull Beck car park required attention.

09/241 VICTORIA INSTITUTE FUNDING

The Institute is investigating new funding possibilities to help retain the Rural Support worker. Costs up to £ 10,00 per year and contract is coming to an end. Help from the Parish Council was considered but more details were required before a decision could be made.

09/242 FINANCE

Proposed Cllr J Jackson, seconded Cllr J Parkinson and **resolved** that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary September & Travel expenses, RB. Alexander	£	456.96
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, October	£	40.00
Victoria Institute, meetings & coffee mornings	£	156.00
Entrust Registration, through Fell View Action Group	£	100.00

09/243 FELL VIEW

An Action Group has been set up and will channel funds to the Parish Council for the purchase of equipment.

Chris Kynch will act as Chair, David Murby Vice-Chair with a Secretary and Treasurer. It was agreed to nominate Cllr J Parkinson as the Parish Council representative on the Action Group.

A constitution has been agreed at a Public Meeting when the Action Group was set up.

It was agreed to support this Group and provide £ 400 start up funding and provide £ 100 for Entrust Registration.

The Lottery Application has been submitted, the LEF application will be considered in the next funding round and a Planning Application will be required.

A meeting is scheduled for Thursday 15th October at the Institute.

Road safety on Fell View was also discussed and PC Wood had spoken to Highways regarding traffic calming measures. There is to be a national review of 20 mph zones. It will be on the agenda for the next Officers Road Safety Meeting.

09/244 ALLOTMENTS

A new draft lease has been requested for the Broadacre site in light of the City Council's decisions on Allotment provision in Lancaster.

The clerk was asked to write to the occupants of 29 Fell View and ask about access across their land. Failing this a bridge will be required

09/245 PARISH TRANSPORT PROJECT.

Speed Indication Devices. The Police have agreed in principal to move the units as required. One problem is battery life/recharging. Details of price will be obtained from the preferred manufacturer for basic and clever SpID. Details of data available and the possibility of a demo would be investigated.

Bus shelter suggested for Caton Green is not viable – alternative site by Brookhouse shops is to be proposed.

09/246 CLERKS SALARY

Item deferred.

09/247 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Victoria Institute – Sixteen old certificates be laminated and bound in a book. Prints of the paintings in the Billiard Room will be investigated.

Tickets for the Wine Tasting evening are available £ 6 each.

Twinning – A Wine Tasting Even is planned for Friday 27th Nov. Quiz Sheets will be available for sale.

Tennis Club – The resurfaced Floodlit court is now in operation
The University Hospital Trust requires members.

09/248 LALC AND CORRESPONDANCE

Please request from Clerk if interested

LALC Newsletter

North West Air Ambulance 10th Anniversary Draw – Tickets £ 1 each

Funding Opportunity Event, Hornby Thurs 22nd October

09/249 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 10th November 2009. Agenda closes 5th November 2009

Victoria Institute Funding

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.