

Catterick Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 6th September 2021

Present: Cllr Campbell, Cllr Rafferty, Cllr Wyrill, Cllr Claypole

Clerk

In attendance; County councillor Les, District Councillors Threlfall and Lowe, Capt. Mark Graham

1. Apologies for absence;

Cllr Bannister and PCSO Smith

2. Open forum.

No members of the public attended.

3. Reports

3.1 Police report.

PCSO Smith could not attend the meeting but sent a report. This was read out by Cllr Campbell.

Report from 02/07/21 - 03/09/21

10 Crimes reported –

1 report of fraud - caller reports telephone/text/internet scamming, which was passed to Action Fraud. **5 violence** 3 were domestic related.

3 Criminal Damage – damage caused to a vehicle's, there were no lines of enquiry.

1 Crime (Theft) – report of a stolen bike, there were no lines of enquiry.

6 Anti-social Behaviour Reports - 4 ASB Nuisance reports. 2 Reports of a children being rowdy at the Pavilion field and the Co-op. 2 Reports regarding a neighbour dispute. **2 ASB Environment reports** – both regarding COVID breach.

1 Road Traffic Collision Report's – Report of a serious collision, the investigation is ongoing.

4 Road Related Incidents – 3 Reports of a possible drink drivers, 3 incidents had no further sightings, 1 vehicle was found parked at the keeper's address.

16 Person/Safety /Warning reports –

5 Suspicious Reports – A report was made regarding a vehicle on MOD land which was passed to RMP. A civilian female was found on Marne Bks, advice and support given. The alarm was sounding at the school, which was checked and all in order. An elderly lady reports finding her gate was opened overnight, there was no suspicious activity found. Report of a nail found to be placed under a vehicle tyre, there was no damage and no lines of enquiry.

5 Abandoned 999 calls – which were all made in error.

3 Concern incidents. - 1 personal alarm was set off, the fire brigade was called. 2 reports for concerns for females who were found to be safe and well.

1 Animal concern – 1 report of dog v dog, advice given and contact for the Dog Warden.

2 Reports of a missing people – both were found safe and well.

2 Administration calls – suitable advice given.

Tea with NYP... at Booth Hall : No meetings, until further notice.

Project Servator is now back up and running in Richmondshire.

We will be here, unannounced. We can be at any place, anytime and anywhere.

North Yorkshire Community Messaging

This is a free system that allows people to receive the latest crime notifications and community news in their neighbourhoods. People can register on www.nycm.co.uk

Contact North Yorkshire Police

Please visit our website www.northyorkshire.police.uk for advice regarding Crime Prevention and safety advice.

Emergency - 999

National 24hr non-emergency number 101

- 101 calls cost 15 pence per call from mobile or landline, regardless of length of call

Call 'Crimestoppers' anonymously on 0800 555 111

Contact Details: PCSO 3521 Di Smith

diane.smith3521@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

3.2 County Councillor Les

The covid numbers are still increasing and, also, the number of hospitalisations but unlike earlier in the pandemic the severity of the illness of the majority of people admitted is not as bad and fewer are having to go into intensive care.

There is a vacancy for a Governor at the Michael Syddall School – if anyone is interested, they should contact the Chair of Governors or the Headteacher. The school is one of 50 in the country that have been selected for either an extension and refurbishment or a complete rebuild. He said that at the moment it is very short of space and extra classrooms are needed.

The Police Commissioner is to test out an idea to make a speed camera van available for County Councillors to request to go to certain areas.

Following Local Government reorganisation there will be a new Unitary Council. This will be elected in April 2023.

3.3 District Councillor Threlfall

At the last full council meeting he brought up the problem of litter bins not being emptied even though the vans were passing them – such as those in the laybys on the road by the racecourse. The District Council agreed that these bins could be emptied if the Parish Council were prepared to pay to have them installed.

Cllr Threlfall mentioned that the dog bin by Chapmans Court Field needs replacing and wondered what the council wanted to do about it. It is a well-used bin.

3.3 District Councillor Rowe.

A Climate Change Action plan has been adopted by the District Council.

He is still looking into the public footpath at Sowerby Hill – the gate keeps being locked.

Cllr Claypole wanted to know if any progress has been made with electric charging points. Cllr Rowe said that this was still being discussed but Catterick Village would not be getting any. Cllr Threlfall suggested that the village came up with some suggestions for sites and put these to the District Council.

3.4 Marne Barracks.

Captain Graham said that both regiments are now back from the summer stand down.

They are still waiting for the outcome from the defence review.

Cllr Campbell thanked Captain Graham for getting the hedge cut along Leeming Lane. He said that he would put in a request again next year.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th July 2021 were approved

Proposed: Cllr Rafferty Seconded: Cllr Wyrill

5. Matters arising.

The Clerk contacted Area 1 about the surface dressing that had been carried out around the village and was causing problems. They have been out to check the roads and at the time the bitumen was not soft but said that it was cooler weather then so this would have helped. He will check again in a couple of weeks. He also noticed a few areas of loose chippings and said that he would send a sweeper out in 6-8 weeks.

The white lines in front of stepping Stones was not completed because of parked cars. They will arrange for the contractors to complete this and to have cones placed in front to stop parking.

6. Current Issues.

6.1 King's Park Play Area upgrade.

The application for the £10,000 playpark grants from Richmondshire District Council for the upgrade of the King's Close Playpark has been successful.

It is proving a problem finding someone to remove the mound in the toddler end of the Play Park to install some of the new equipment. It is also expensive. Quotes from £1,500 to £2,500 have been received. It seems a lot of money to remove the mound. The Clerk wondered if the Parish Council should do the rest of the upgrade and leave this for another year. Cllr Threlfall suggested that it may be possible to get some play equipment that could be incorporated into the bank. The Councillors thought this a good idea and would rather spend the money on the equipment than moving the earth. The Clerk will contact Streetscape and see what they can suggest.

6.2 Hedge by 5 High Green

The Clerk has been contacted by the resident asking who is responsible for this hedge. It is outside their boundary but they have been cutting it but are now finding it more difficult to do. The Clerk contacted Area1 and they have said it is in the limits of the Publicly Maintainable Highways and so it would be their responsibility. They do not want to carry out ongoing maintenance as it 'would be onerous' and so would remove it but before they did this they wanted to know if the Parish Council were prepared to take over responsibility. The Councillors did not feel that they wanted to take on this responsibility. County Council Carl Les said that he would take a look at the hedge.

7. The periodic accounts

These were circulated prior to the meeting and were approved and accepted by the members.

Proposed: Cllr Campbell Seconded: Cllr Rafferty

The Audit for 2020/21 has been concluded and everything has found to be in order. The Clerk has put the Conclusion of Audit report on the Parish Council Website and notice board and sent a copy to RDC for publication on their website

8. Correspondence.

a) The Clerk has received a letter from 3 pupils of Michael Syddall School saying that they did a litter pick around the village and collected 3 bin bags full of litter in 2hours. They felt that people do not respect the village and the earth enough and wanted to know what the Parish Council thought.

Cllr Campbell asked the Clerk to write back and thank them for doing the litter pick. The Parish Council agreed that some people do not respect things, and the problem of litter nationwide does seem to have become worse. Other residents in the village such as Joe Bench do regularly pick up the litter to try and keep the village tidy.

b) The Clerk has received an email from a resident about his concerns about parking at the junction of Mowbray Rd and the High St. He said that several cars from houses on the High St are parking their cars on this junction and causing an obstruction coming in and out. The Clerk suggested that she could contact PCSO Smith and see if she would take a look at this on her rounds and check if there is a problem with the parking.

c) A resident wanted it confirming whether the footpath along the Beck from the floodgate to the Town Bridge was public access as they were worried about going down there as so many cars were parked and there are lot of plant containers. The Parish Councillors confirmed that it was a public footpath.

d) A resident is worried about any erosion that may occur of the small section of high Green near the house that has just been sold for development. She wants a no parking sign putting up here. The Councillors said that there is already a no parking sign on High Green and that as no problem with parking has yet occurred nothing can be done.

9. Planning Applications.

10. Minor Matters.

Cllr Rafferty said that the local group Men Without Sheds is now cutting the grass in the Churchyard and have put in some wild flower beds. He wanted it confirming that this is alright with the Parish Council as they are responsible for the maintenance of the closed church yard. The Councillors were happy with this – there have been a lot of good comments about the church yard since they have been doing this work in the churchyard.

The meeting closed at 20.20

Date of next meeting – October 4th 2021.

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