

CASTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING: 25th JULY 2019, CASTLETON VILLAGE HALL

These Minutes are hereby approved as a true and accurate record of the above meeting following Resolution of the Council at its meeting on 2 September 2019.

Signed Chair of meeting

In attendance: Cllr. N. Topping (Chair), Cllr. N. Garrow (Vice Chair), Cllr. N. Fisher, Cllr. B. Moorhouse, Cllr. A. Darlington, Cllr. N. Spooner

Also present: Outgoing Clerk – Mrs L. Gibbs, Newly-Recruited Clerk – D. Shoults, HPBC Cllr. J. Collins, 1 resident

Meeting commenced 7.00pm.

01/07/19 Apologies were received from Cllr. J. Bradley, DCC Cllr. J. Perkins, HPBC Cllr. C. Farrell

02/07/19 No declarations of personal or pecuniary interests or requests for dispensations were received from members as to any items to be discussed.

03/07/19 **Reports:**

A: County Councillor's Report: Not present.

B: Borough Councillors' Report: HPBC Cllr. Collins advised of the Annual Parishes Day, Sat. 12th October, to include the Peak Park's commitment to zero carbon; The Hope Valley Parishes meeting on Wed. 18th September, and reported that they will try to declare a climate emergency at this event.

A discussion was then had around the closure of Winnats Pass on a regular basis and the response received from DCC. (Council Matters D) There is some discrepancy, between DCC and HPBC, over the number of times the road is closed, and therefore there is a need to identify the true figure. It was suggested that the information acquired from the speed survey could be passed to those who deal with the road closures, and that maybe Castleton PC could join forces with Edale PC. There were concerns that events are rarely turned down, and monitoring of events is minimal. It was noted that the process of communication doesn't seem to work, and that the Council should be part of the consultation process.

04/07/19 **Public Participation:**

A member of the public attended to discuss the parking issues on Back Street. Firstly that some vehicles park in the disabled bay, thereby blocking the Church entrance, secondly that some large vehicles, even caravans, are seen parking overnight, including one recently parked for 5 days. HPBC Cllr. Collins will write to HPBC concerning parking bays, and clarify with regard to overnight parking.

05/07/19 **Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Relating Thereto:**

A: The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 27th June 2019 were considered. The Minutes were then approved, and the Chair signed them as true and accurate records of those meetings (prop NF, sec NG, unan).

B: There were no matters to discuss relating to the minutes of the last meeting.

06/07/19 **Finance:**

A: The Council's monetary assets are as shown below, and the Chair examined, approved and signed the bank reconciliation and the latest current account statement.

	Current Account	NS&I
Balance brought forward 01/04/19	12,184.41	24,477.62
Total Income	7,032.00	0.00
Total Expenditure	4,935.56	0.00
Balance	14,280.85	24,477.62
New Statement Balance 15/07/19	16,074.86	
Less un-presented cheques	712.00	
Less this month's payments	1,102.01	
Add uncleared deposits	20.00	
Available Balance 27/06/19	14,280.85	

B: A cheque was prepared for Jon Haddock, as payment for printing of the Peveril Post. This will be released by the Clerk on presentation of the paid invoice as agreed in 11/05/19K.

C: Resolved to donate £100 to Friends of Hope Station (towards 125th Anniversary Events), after receiving and studying the latest accounts, (prop BM, sec AD) A cheque was prepared.

D: Resolved to pay the following invoiced items by cheque, (prop NS, sec BM, unan):

- i) Clerk's salary, use of home allowance and expenses, 27/06/19 – 24/07/19 - £303.01
- ii) Castleton Village Hall, room hire – (20th June - £6.00, June meeting - £18.00) Total £24.00
- iii) Miss Landscape, grounds maintenance - £620.00
- iv) Mr. N. Fisher, plaques for new benches - £5.00
- v) Chris Bugg, maintenance work to archway in the Market Place - £150.00

E: No income or receipts of the council

07/07/19

Council Matters:

A: Cllr. Darlington reported another event in Hope has been advised, so Hope PC needs to be informed. Conclusion – need to keep monitoring events.

The councillors discussed the events taking place at Peak Cavern, which are mainly in the evenings, and resolved the events list (modified) to be sent directly to Peak Cavern, explaining there have been complaints regarding litter.

B: It was noted that there will be an event and pavilion, to announce the Smartwater initiative, at the Hope Show, Monday August 26th. Councillors will be needed to man the stall at certain periods. Following this, Castleton PC will have 220 Smartwater kits to distribute in the village.

Cllr. Darlington was concerned that the 220 kits which Castleton PC are committed to buying falls short of the total properties (minus holiday cottages). Cllr. Topping expressed the need to prioritise, by discerning which properties are ineligible or uncontactable. The new Clerk will ask the Castleton postperson, if she can help us with this info, by further detailing the types of properties.

C: The new Clerk advised that she will produce the minutes of this meeting, and collect together files relating to Castleton PC as of today.

D: The response from DCC regarding road closures was discussed earlier in the meeting.

E: The results of the speed survey carried out on Buxton Road earlier this month have already been received. Briefly, this showed that > 36,000 vehicles passed through the village every week, approx. 1 every 8 seconds during peak times. Noting an average speed of 28mph, 15% >35mph, 5.8% > 40mph, the councillors discussed whether this latest hard evidence would be sufficient to justify traffic calming measures. Cllr. Topping will speak to Isobel Mulligan about the data.

F: The asset list was reviewed, following the addition of the playing fields, signed by Cllr. Topping. The outgoing Clerk reminded the councillors that the NS&I savings account needs to be reduced in order to retain our precept. Cllr. Topping emphasised that money needs to be spent sensibly and, with that in

mind, Cllr. Garrow suggested councillors should put forward their ideas then, after circulating, decide if this requires a special meeting.

G: List of meetings – The Hope Valley Parishes meeting, 18/9/19 – Cllrs. Fisher and Darlington will attend; Clerk to let Kerry Towers know by 19/8/19; Annual Parishes Day – 12/10/19 – Cllrs. Moorhouse and Topping will attend; form was filled in, Clerk to send by 13/9/19.

08/07/19 **Condition of Village:**

A: Resolved to note the following updates:

i) Staining and fixing of 2 new benches at Goosehill Bridge – the contractor has been given the go-ahead, after the quote was received. Cllr. Moorhouse advised they will need another coat in September

ii) Damage to the wall at the entrance to the Burial Ground – Cllr. Darlington reported that the contractor will be getting round to it. Cllr. Topping mentioned that it is safe, however.

iii) Pruning of the tree in the Market Place – THTC has enquired as to whether it has a TPO, and whether we want it to be reduced. Resolved Yes, and Cllr. Fisher asked for contractor to be given his number.

iv) The maintenance work to the archway to the area around the War Memorial is complete, and a cheque was prepared as payment.

B: All areas for which the Council has responsibility will be considered during the walk around the village in August, with particular attention to be paid to the wall around Goosehill.

C: The councillors discussed using The Rights of Way Minor Maintenance Grant to extend Dirty Lane. The outgoing Clerk has sent off the form, and it is up to us to seek someone to do the work. Cllr. Darlington will look into ordering stone from Markowitz, and speak to Steven Glennerster.

D: The councillors discussed the issues caused by vehicles parking on the left, at the bottom of Winnats Pass, namely impeding visibility. Cllr. Topping suggested speaking to Isobel Mulligan.

E: It was resolved to postpone discussion surrounding the requests for the trees around Peveril Castle to be cut until the next meeting, to clarify with Cllr. Bradley.

F: It was agreed that arrangements would stay the same for caring for the garden in the Market Place.

G: Cllr. Spooner had received enquiries as to the possibility of a zebra crossing in the village. It was suggested that this could be incorporated into the general review of traffic and pedestrian management, and may well ultimately be included as part of our speed survey results.

09/07/19 **Planning:**

A: The following application was discussed, and the Clerk instructed to report the Council's views to PDNPA:

i) NP/HPK/0519/0510 – Peak Hotel, How Lane, Castleton – Advertisement Consent – Erection of various signs. Resolved to comment with no objections.

B: Resolved to note there were no planning decision notices, as notified by PDNPA.

Correspondence & DALC Circulars:

A: The following correspondence, received and pre-circulated to Members by email, was noted and discussed:

i) HPBC - Minutes for The Executive, Thursday, 20th June 2019, 6.00 pm

ii) Latest news from the ICO

iii) HPBC - Agenda for Development Control Committee, Monday, 15th July 2019, 1.30 pm

iv) NALC – Newsletters

v) Police & Crime Commissioner - Performance under the spotlight at Commissioner's Board Meeting

vi) HPBC - Change of location for meeting 18/07/2019, 18:30, Economy and Growth Select Committee

vii) HPBC - Change of location for meeting 22/07/2019, 18:30, Corporate Select Committee

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- viii) HPBC - Agenda for Economy and Growth Select Committee, Thursday, 18th July 2019, 6.30 pm
- ix) HPBC - Agenda for Community Select Committee, Wednesday, 17th July 2019, 6.30 pm
- x) NALC - Chief executive's bulletin
- xi) PDNPA - All aboard for the Hope Valley Explorer – The Councillors discussed whether this had been publicised sufficiently, and wondered if the trial (to the end of August) is being given long enough. It was felt that the service isn't corresponding to the Hope Valley train timetable. The Council hope that it will be a success, and resolved to ask if there is anything they can do to help.
- xii) PDNPA - Redundant parking meters
- xiii) HPBC - Agenda for Corporate Select Committee, Monday, 22nd July 2019, 6.30 pm
- xiv) PDNPA – Annual Parishes Day to be held on 12th October 2019

B: To note and discuss if necessary, DALC circulars received and pre-circulated to Members by email, including the following:

- i) Circular 08/2019
- ii) Call for Executive Members for DALC for period - 2019-2023

11/06/19 **Items for Peveril Post:** Notes to be produced by the clerk.

Meeting closed 9.06pm.