

CASTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING: 28th April 2022, 7pm Village Hall, How Lane, Castleton

These Minutes are hereby approved as a true and accurate record of the above meeting following Resolution of the Council at its Monthly Parish Council meeting on 26th May 2022.

Signed Chair of meeting

In attendance: Cllr. B. Moorhouse (Chair), Cllr. J. Bradley (Vice Chair), Cllr N. Topping, Cllr. N. Spooner, Cllr. J. Judge, Cllr. J. Simm, Cllr. A. Darlington
Also present: Clerk T. Dale

Meeting commenced 7.00pm.

01/04/22	Apologies were received from Cllr. C. Farrell, Cllr. J. Collins.
02/04/22	No declarations of personal or pecuniary interests or requests for dispensations were received from members for any items to be discussed.
03/04/22	<p><u>Reports:</u></p> <p>A: County Councillor's Report: As Cllr Gourlay was not in attendance Cllr Moorhouse updated the council on current road/traffic issues.</p> <p>It was explained, following a resident's complaint that the double white lines are barely visible possibly due to resurfacing of the road on How Lane, that they do in fact show a faint single white line there is also in addition an arrow sign directing traffic past the resident's home. Clerk informed the Council that a letter raising the concerns has been sent to Highways, and Clerk will feedback on receipt of a response (Clerk AP). It was suggested that if no response were received to let him know and he would provide an alternative contact within the Highways department.</p> <p>It was reported, having recently visited Odin Mine, that there were no vehicles/Camper Vans parked on the turning circle, which was a major improvement. Two large signs have been posted stating "No stopping at any time". However the problem still exists with c.73 Camper Vans parked alongside the road. Whilst the Council through persistently challenging this issue have gained support for the placement of double yellow lines to resolve this issue, it is only at the initial stages of the process of the legalisation process. In the interim our local MP Robert Largan has taken up the case and will be pulling together a committee to look at the issue of Camper Vans parking overnight and for extended periods. Not only does this cause traffic issue but also environmental, and whilst it is believed there are environment issues other factors will need to be examined and considered. The committee will begin with enquiries and consultation and will require input from various agencies, Environmental Health, Highways, Fire Brigade, Castleton Parish Council, and other appropriate organisations. The meetings are expected to take place at Castleton Village Hall, dates to advised. The council felt that the Cllr Gourley's initiative to provide every home in Derbyshire with a Manual for teaching reading should be applauded.</p> <p>B: Borough Councillor's Report: None this month C: Police Report: None this month D: Chair's Report: See above (ref 03/04/22 A)</p>
04/04/22	<p><u>Public Participation:</u></p> <p>None this month</p>
05/04/22	<p><u>Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Relating Thereto:</u></p> <p>A: The Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 31st March 2022 were then considered. The Minutes were approved (prop JB, 2nd AD, majority. NT & JJ abstained as not in attendance).</p> <p>B: There were no matters to discuss relating to the minutes of the last meeting.</p>

06/04/22

Finance:

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

As of 31st March 2022

	Current Account	NS&I
Balance brought forward 01/04/21	12,682.59	24,673.44
Total Income	16,789.94	155.91
Total Expenditure	16,014.32	6318.00
Balance	13,458.21	18,511.35
Last Statement Balance 31/03/22	14,726.34	18,511.35
Less un-presented cheques	1,268.13	0.00
Less this month's payments	0.00	0.00
Add uncleared deposits	0.00	0.00
Available Balance 31/03/22	13,458.21	18,511.35

To note the income of the Council March 2022

- i) Derbyshire County Council – ROW Minor Maintenance funding £495.00
- ii) The Poor Piece Rent - £500.00
- iii) Rear of Burial Ground Rent - £65.00

As of 7th April 2022

	Current Account	NS&I
Balance brought forward 01/04/22	13,458.21	18,511.35
Total Income	0.00	0.00
Total Expenditure	0.00	0.00
Balance	13,458.21	18,511.35
Last Statement Balance 7/04/22	14,064.77	18,511.35
Less un-presented cheques	606.56	0.00
Less this month's payments	0.00	0.00
Add uncleared deposits	0.00	0.00
Available Balance 28/04/22	13,458.21	18,511.35

B: To approve and instruct the payment by cheque, of presented invoiced items, including the following:

- i) A. Hulbert – Valley Landscapes (Derbyshire) - £348.00
- ii) Castleton Village Hall – 3 hours hire for March 2022 meeting - £30.00
- iii) T. Dale – Clerk's salary, allowance - £392.30
- iii) HPBC – Commercial Waste Collection - £222.79

In addition payment to Jon Haddock, for printing of Peveril Post, of £235.00 as agreed in 15/05/18A.

C: To note the income and receipts of the Council - None this month

The finances were agreed (prop NT 2nd JB, unan)

07/04/22

Council Matters

A: The TEE Group updated the council on the roll out of the Castleton Code posters/letters. Fifty-five have now been delivered to business owners with an additional sixteen possible recipients such as the youth hostel. Feedback shows that people are generally willing to display. One piece of feedback from holiday lets was to supply a digital copy for display on Airbnb and holiday let websites.

Concerns about the number of holiday homes in the village, it is believed within Castleton they make up c30% of residence and that this is not restricted to Castleton it is an issue is faced by many villages within Derbyshire and wider country. A survey due to be issued soon by PDNPA as part of forward planning consultation, which should be completed by the Parish Council. Confirm details at the next meeting. The item of Holiday homes to be added to the next agenda **(Clerk AP)**.

The council were updated on the upcoming Ecars event to take place on the 23rd May at 19:00 to be held at the village hall. The event will include four speakers consisting of a 10 – 15-minute presentation. Following the presentations there will be a Q & A session. To assist attendees who do not feel comfortable speaking in public, notepaper will be provided so that questions/comments can be collected and read out on their behalf.

The council were asked for ideas on advertising the event to ensure attendance. It was suggested that the Council Facebook page should be used, which could be then shared to other social groups. The council had no objection to sharing the event beyond Castleton if it were made aware the CPC was facilitating the event only, they are not directing or promoting any particular view on this matter. Cllr Spooner to provide Cllr Judge to upload on Facebook **(NS & JJ AP)**

There was a discussion around providing non-alcoholic refreshments at the event to be covered by a minimum charge. The council supported this.

B: The events diary was review and discussed. The council were advised that the Bradwell Hill Billy cycling event is scheduled for the Sunday 19th June, between 9:00 – 2:30. The last hill of the event being Winnats Pass. Whilst a road closure is unlikely, it is expected that the event could cause issues in the Village and on the pass. Concerns were also raised about the date and timing as on Sundays, at this time of year Winnats Pass is heavily used. Clerk to email organisers requesting more details and forwarding the CPC guidance for events managers **(Clerk AP)**.

Clerk informed the council following a request for further information regarding the Pure Peak Grit event a response was received shortly prior to the meeting and circulated. The response is to be reviewed and any concerns to be added to the next agenda **(All AP)**.

C: The issues regarding Buxton and How Road were discussed earlier in the meeting see above (ref 03/04/22 A County Councillor's Report).

D: Discussion held on the trial rollout of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) for a 12-month period. The council felt that the information provided has been vague; what is included, costs etc. Highways were asked about estimated cost implication and advised that the council should contact various suppliers to obtain this information. Funding is unclear as to who is eligible and what is available. Concerns were expressed that the onus appears to be pushed onto local Parish Councils with little assistance.

There is also some dispute as to the effectiveness of the devices, however previous advice by the Police representative at a Hope Valley Parishes meeting (15 March) that SIDs were more effective than Speedwatch at controlling speeding.

It was suggested that Cllr. Gourlay should be contacted for his views, clerk to obtain costings including ongoing maintenance before we proceed. Item to be added to the next agenda (Clerk AP).

E: Following the presentation by PC Karl Webster, regarding Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) devices mainly in the context of combatting rural crime and his request for support in principle, the council discussed and agreed, subject to the ANPR being monitored by the police and costs. Clerk to respond to PC Karl Webster **(Clerk AP)** (prop AD 2nd JB, unan)

F: The Queen's Jubilee Village Celebrations were discussed. Due to various issues the previous planned celebrations due to take place on the playing fields has now been cancelled. However it is hoped to hold another village celebration, as last year, later this year.

It is now proposed that there will be two events, both being held at the Village Hall, one on Saturday 4th June, providing an evening of entertainment with music acts, and the other to be held on Sunday 5th providing afternoon tea. Clerk has applied to HPBC for funding. In addition there has been talk of individual street parties, but nothing has yet been confirmed.

It was proposed that we plant a tree for the Jubilee celebration, the council although thought this was a good idea, the village have had quite a few trees planted recently. It was proposed as an alternative planting rose bushes, (named Jubilee), this idea was adopted by the council with the rose bush to be planted at the burial ground. With the option of placement of a plaque. (prop BM 2nd NT, unan)

G: There was no official update available regarding the progress on travel hub to Hope. The idea of a single ticket to be used on both train and bus would be a benefit. TEE Group believes this is incorporated in the HVCA Travelling Light project although at present priority is being given to smaller projects. The Council was asked to support this initiative and invite Cllr Collins to the next meeting for an update. Clerk to invite

	<p>and add to the next agenda (Clerk AP)</p> <p>H: The council were updated on the upcoming purchase of the village notice board. Reiterating previous updates that after requesting quotes it became apparent that repair of the noticeboard was not possible. Clerk informed the council that the current board is not safe or watertight therefore not useable. A new noticeboard is required to ensure the council is compliant. After searching, along with the clerk, for a new noticeboard a selection has been made. A photograph of the noticeboard was shared, and all were in agreement that it was an excellent choice. The cost to be incurred £1650 plus VAT (VAT to be reclaimed). It was advised that the costs would need to be taken from the reserves held in the NS&I account, and asset register updated accordingly. The estimated time for delivery 10 weeks. The notice board will be re-located next to the general notice board opposite Peveril Stores. (Clerk AP)</p> <p>I: Following a resident raising the issue of parking meters that are out of order along Buxton and Old Mam Tor Roads, the council discussed and agreed the clerk to contact DCC to remove the meters. Clerk to respond to resident on decision (Clerk AP).</p> <p>J: A request was received from a resident to install a litter bin near the junction of Old Mam Tor Road and Arthurs Way, as the increase in visitors over the last two years has resulted in an increase in litter. The council discussed, noted and were informed that there had once been a bin there, the council requested that the clerk contact HPBC requesting that it be replaced and with a larger bin. Clerk to respond to resident on decision (Clerk AP).</p> <p>K: Following a request to install a memorial bench for a non-resident within the village, the matter was discussed, as the council does not have sufficient land for such a memorial it is with regret that the council cannot assist in this matter. Clerk to respond to requestee (Clerk AP).</p> <p>L: Possibilities for the Parish Council to initiate, and contribute to, events for the benefit of residents were discussed. It was suggested that during the winter ballroom dancing could be held in the village hall, with other events suggested including Boules, Beetle Drives, and Board Game evenings. It was advised that the village should be asked what they would like, suggesting that a piece in Peveril Post could pose the question. Cllr Judge agreed to lead on this initiative (JJ AP).</p> <p>M: Issues raised concerning Millbridge, informing that in the past with heavy lorries regularly crossing that resulted in damage, damage to gas pipes is now becoming apparent, and asking what could be done. Speeding was also a problem. A general discussion took place, speed bumps were suggested however these had been used in the past and had to be removed as causing issues for farm vehicles, and the possibility of signage could be considered. It was agreed that this is one of several places in the village subject to excessive speeds. It was noted that Millbridge is predominantly used by residents and those visiting the Hollowford Centre and the rotary club. Councillor is to visit shortly on another matter and will have a word with the main users. (JS AP)</p> <p>Reference to a letter drafted by the HVCA Energy group to our MP Robert Langan relating to the government's Energy Security Strategy, HVCA have requested Parish Councils to consider writing in support of their letter. Council questioned what other Councils were doing and that this may have political connotations.</p> <p>It was requested that this item to be added to the next agenda (Clerk AP).</p>
08/04/22	<p><u>Condition of the Village</u></p> <p>A: A discussion took place regarding the resolution taken at a previous council meeting over reports of dog mess on grass in the Market Place. The Parish Council subsequently placed signs on the garden area outside the cottages but following up a complaint by a resident it has now become clear that the reports concerned the War Memorial grass.</p> <p>The issues addressed during discussion were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The notices on the garden area were put there mistakenly and should therefore be removed. ii) Dog fouling has been an issue on the War memorial and therefore signs should be placed there instead iii) The signage itself. <p>A Councillor argued that the language came across as draconian, giving a bad impression of the village and council, and suggested a softer message such as "Treat this area with respect" would be more effective, whilst another thought a strong direct message was required.</p> <p>As other councillors have not seen the area and signs in situ, they felt they could not comment. It was agreed that prior to next months meeting all councillors will visit the area. It was additionally agreed that templates of different signages should be put to the council to support a resolution.</p> <p>Clerk to agenda these items for the next Council meeting (All AP).</p> <p>B: The council considered the requirements for the 2022 funding allocated for the maintenance of Rights of</p>

	<p>Way public footpaths and bridleways to be moved to the next agenda (All AP).</p> <p>C: Nothing reported.</p> <p>D: The council were informed that the river gauge near Goosehill Bridge has broken as a consequence of the three storms experienced earlier this year. Details to be provided to the Clerk who will contact the Environment Agency to request replacement. Clerk to agenda flood management for the next meeting (AD, Clerk AP).</p>
09/04/22	<p><u>Planning</u></p> <p>A: The following applications were discussed, and the Clerk instructed to report the Council's views to PDNPA:</p> <p>i) NP/HPK/0322/0425 - Goosehill Hall, Buxton Road, Castleton - Conversion of swimming pool to ancillary accommodation for Goosehill Hall. NO OBJECTION</p> <p>ii) NP/HPK/0322/0459 - Spital Buildings, How Lane, Castleton - S.73 application for the removal or variation of condition 2 on NP/HPK/0520/0399. NO OBJECTION</p> <p>iii) Application, Licensing Authority – Hope Sports Field, Castleton Road, Disco, and Bar Marquee. Not applicable to Castleton Parish Council</p> <p>iv) NP/HPK/0322/0457 - Spital Buildings, How Lane, Castleton - S.73 application for the removal or variation of condition 2 on NP/HPK/0520/0398. NO OBJECTION</p> <p>B: Resolved to note the following planning decision, as notified this month by PDNPA:</p> <p>None this month</p>
10/04/22	<p><u>Correspondence and DALC Circulars</u></p> <p>A: The following correspondence, received and pre-circulated to Members by email, was noted and discussed:</p> <p>i) DCC – Community News, Keeping you on Board</p> <p>ii) NALC – Bulletins, Newsletters, Events, Make a Change, Utility Aid, Civility & Respect Project, Star Council Award</p> <p>iii) HPBC – Trade Waste – Organic Survey, Consultation – Development Contribution Supplementary Planning Document</p> <p>iv) Robert Largan MP - Various</p> <p>v) PDNPA – Peak District National Park Foundation News</p> <p>vi) DALC – Spring Seminar.</p> <p>vii) Democratic Services – Agendas & Minutes</p> <p>viii) Public Sector Executives – Net Zero in Public Sector, Apprenticeship Powers, Cleaner Greener Future</p> <p>ix) PPPF – Parish Days 2022</p> <p>xi) PDNP Cllr. Collins – Conversion of Historic Buildings</p> <p>xii) Green Lane Association – Countryside Access</p> <p>xiii) HVCA – Newsletter, Use the Bus Campaign</p>
11/04/22	<p><u>Items for the Peveril Post</u></p> <p>Chair report – Cllr Brian Moorhouse announced to the Parish Council that he would be standing down as Chair for 2022/23</p>
	<p>Meeting closed 8.55pm</p> <p>The next Annual Parish Council Meeting will take place at 6.30pm on Thursday 26th May 2022 at The Village Hall, How Lane, Castleton.</p>