

CASTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF ORDINARY MEETING: THURSDAY 29th February 7PM

Village Hall, How Lane, Castleton

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of Castleton Parish Council to be held at 7.00pm on Thursday 29th February 2024, for the purposes of transacting the business below:

T Dale

Mrs T. Dale, 24th February 2024

Clerk to Castleton Parish Council

Email: clerkfro.cpc@gmail.com

01/02/24	To consider accepting any apologies for absence.																														
02/02/24	To record declarations of personal or pecuniary interests from Members as to any items to be discussed and as necessary or appropriate to receive and approve any Members’ requests for dispensations on matters in which they have any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.																														
03/02/24	Reports: A: County Councillor’s Report B: Borough Councillor’s Report C: Police Report D: Chair’s Report																														
04/02/24	Public Participation: Members of the public will be allowed to speak to the meeting upon items included in the agenda in accordance with Standing Orders and at the discretion of the Chair of the meeting.																														
05/02/24	Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Relating Thereto: A: To consider for approval the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25 th January 2024, and to arrange for the Chair of this meeting to sign them as a true and accurate record of the meeting to which they relate.																														
06/02/24	Finance: A: To note the Council’s monetary assets: National Westminster Bank Current Account and National Savings Investment Account, and for the Chair of the meeting to examine, approve and arrange to sign the bank reconciliation and latest current account statements. <table><tr><td></td><td>Current Account</td><td>NS&I</td></tr><tr><td>Balance brought forward 01/04/23</td><td>14,397.58</td><td>18,528.58</td></tr><tr><td>Total Income</td><td>14,348.13</td><td>0.00</td></tr><tr><td>Total Expenditure</td><td>12,916.41</td><td>0.00</td></tr><tr><td>Balance</td><td>15,829.30</td><td>18,528.58</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Last Statement Balance 15/02/24</td><td>15,829.30</td><td>18,528.58</td></tr><tr><td>Less un-presented cheques</td><td>0.00</td><td>0.00</td></tr><tr><td>Add uncleared deposits</td><td>0.00</td><td>0.00</td></tr><tr><td>Available Balance 29/02/24</td><td>15,829.30</td><td>18,528.58</td></tr></table> <p><i>Note: Peveril Post payment agreed at last meeting still being clarified, not included in the above figures.</i></p> <p>To approve and instruct the payment by cheque, of presented invoiced items, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i) T. Dale – Clerk’s salary, allowance, milage and printing expenses- <u>£460.52</u>ii) Griffiths Gardening Ltd – Grounds Maintenance - <u>£180.00</u>iii) Castleton Village Hall – Room Hire - <u>£30.00</u>iv) John Gunn – Travel Expenses, talk at flood resilience event - <u>£20.70.</u>v) DALC – Annual Subscription - <u>£471.82</u>vi) HPBC – Commercial Waste Services - <u>£236.35</u>vii) P. Copley Electrical/PAC Alarms – Repairs to telephone box - <u>£107.61</u> <p>C: To note the income and receipts of the Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i) HPBC - Flood Resilience Funding - <u>£401.00</u>		Current Account	NS&I	Balance brought forward 01/04/23	14,397.58	18,528.58	Total Income	14,348.13	0.00	Total Expenditure	12,916.41	0.00	Balance	15,829.30	18,528.58				Last Statement Balance 15/02/24	15,829.30	18,528.58	Less un-presented cheques	0.00	0.00	Add uncleared deposits	0.00	0.00	Available Balance 29/02/24	15,829.30	18,528.58
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07/02/24	Council Matters: A: To receive an update on position statements for each objective set out following the village survey. B: To receive an update on Bus strategy currently being developed, an update on correspondence with Hulley’s Bus Services. Next Steps. (See Annex A - A)																														

	<p>C: To receive an update on various parking/traffic issues in the Village, to include parking restrictions at hot spots such as Mam Tor. To discuss options and consider for Speed Traffic Devices (SID).</p> <p>D: To receive feedback on informal meeting with MP Robert Largan.</p> <p>E: To review and discuss Events Diary. To include responses from Peak Tour and Ultra X England, Peak District Birthday Bash, Spring in the Peaks and Tor Divide.</p> <p>F: To receive update on conditions of footpath between Hope and Spital Bridge.</p> <p>G: To receive an update on the village defibrillator.</p> <p>H: To receive an update on flood management planning. To agree funding of village hall costs for further meeting flood group meeting. (See Annex A - B)</p> <p>I: To discuss and agree costs to address the mole situation at the burial ground.</p> <p>J: To discuss and agree dates for the Parish Council and Parish annual meetings.</p> <p>K: To note and if urgently required to discuss and or resolve.</p>
08/02/24	<p><u>Planning:</u></p> <p>A: To discuss, consider and instruct reporting of the Council's views on applications received and available to view on www.peakdistrict.gov.uk, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) NP/HPK/1223/1521 - Hope Shale Quarry, Pindale Road, Hope. Review of Minerals Permissions - First Periodic Review ii) NP/HPK/0224/0141 - Land adjacent to How Lane, Castleton. Retrospective planning permission for the change of use of existing agricultural land to facilitate a Timber Log Storage Business (B8 Use), internal access track, widened vehicular access to the public highway, and associated landscaping. iii) NP/HPK/0124/0120 - Hillside House, Pindale Road, Castleton. S.73 application for the removal or variation of conditions 2 and 5 on NP/HPK/0123/0005. <p>B: To note any planning decisions as notified by the Peak District National Park Authority: None this month</p>
09/02/24	<p><u>Correspondence & Circulars:</u></p> <p>To note and discuss, if necessary, correspondence received and pre-circulated to Members by email, unless otherwise indicated, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) DCC – Community News. ii) DALC – Newsletters. iii) Public Sector Executive – Various. iv) Robert Largan (MP) - Various. v) Democratic Services – Various. vi) HVCA – Shopping Bus Flyer, Newsletter. vii) NALC – Events, Newsletters, Bulletins. viii) PDNPA – Temporary Closure at Visitor Centre due to repairs, News, Meet the Chief Executive. ix) HPBC – Notification of Adoption of Whaley Bridge. x) PPPF – Agenda, Training on Planning Matters. xi) Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner – Promotion of Lived Experience App. xii) National Trust – Notice of Work at Winnats Pass. xiii) Local Government Boundary Commission – Consultation on Draft Recommendations. xiv) The Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre – Council Funding Request xv) Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service - Parish Council Notice Boards
10/02/24	<p><u>Items for the Peveril Post</u></p> <p>To be discussed</p>

The following Ordinary Meeting of the Council is currently planned to take place at the Village Hall, How Lane, Castleton on Thursday 28th March 2024.

(A) Bus strategy

We continue to meet with the **Bus Strategy Group** which is supported by Hope Valley Climate Action (HVCA) Travelling Light. Cllrs are actively supporting the **Better Buses for Castleton Group** which was formed after the community engagement event in the village hall to try and maintain the momentum and lobby for improved public transport. The group wrote to one of the bus operators expressing their concerns and demanding a regular and reliable bus service. The CPC followed this up with their own letter. Both letters have received replies. CPC representatives will be meeting with one of the companies when this operator has met with Derbyshire County Council to discuss possible improvements to one of the bus routes. To gather evidence for bus service improvements and gauge the level of demand the CPC would like to try and judge demand for improved services by gathering evidence. We therefore are proposing a survey for residents and visitors to Castleton.

We continue to press for improved connectivity from the village to Hope Station. This relates to a demand for a linear bus that also integrates with the trains and allows better access to Castleton. Our concern is why is there such poor integration of rail and v bus services in the Hope Valley despite the need to reduce car volumes. We want to know what can be done to address this with support from local communities particularly Castleton. We are aware of the creation of an **East Midlands Mayoral Authority in 2024** could potentially offer the opportunity to take a more strategic view and access to Central Government funding for integrated transport. The need for improved links with Travel South Yorkshire and Greater Manchester were also emphasised. We await developments for the installation of **Real Time Information (RTI)** which was installed at Bamford Sicklehome week 20 November, and is expected in Castleton, no timescale has been given yet. So far nothing has been communicated to us. We would like to see RTI installed for rail and buses, at Sheffield Midland Station and the Sheffield Interchange. We are also of the creation of a **Bamford Hub** and will report back on any future developments.

We have been asked to promote the **High Peak Shopping bus** to Chapel on a Tuesday morning. This service is run by Ashbourne Community Transport and is a demand responsive service which is funded by DCC. DRT means it must be booked and its success is based on residents using the service. If it can be demonstrated that the service is successful there is a chance of an extra shopping bus service to Buxton. This is being promoted through flyers, the village email group and website and though attending the Community Cafe.

Finally, CPC representatives met with up our MP, Robert Lorgan, and DCC Councillor, Nigel Gourlay to discuss matters of concern. We took the opportunity to raise bus improvements. This also applies when we attended a drop-in session with the Chief Executive of the Peak National Park, Phil Mulligan.

Proposal: to seek approval from the CPC to conduct a survey of residents to support our demand for improvements to bus and train services.

(B) Flood update

Owners of the worst affected properties are still dealing with the damage – it's a long job. A government grant scheme offering £5000 towards flood resilience measures went live at the end of January, administered by Derbyshire County Council.

The Environment Agency and DCC organised a very useful drop-in event on 6 February at the Peveril Centre. Advice and information on a range of flooding related matters was available and it was well attended by Castleton residents and those from the Hope Valley and beyond.

Flood wardens together with the Parish Council continue to meet and address multiple objectives aimed at protecting Castleton properties from severe flooding in the future. In the last month:

- Refining the flood plan, with inputs from EA and DCC
- Ensuring information on the £5K grant got to the affected households.
- Some progress on establishing responsibility for maintaining certain river margins.
- Drains – some great progress has been made, still a lot to do.
- The new (EA) river level gauge at Goosehill Bridge has just gone live and data can be read online by anyone.
- Considering longer-term flood resilience measures.

Professor John Gunn gave his talk on “the role of underground water in the Castleton floods” on 19 February. It was fascinating and highly informative, and very clearly showed the importance of the work that he and the cavers do in and around the village. The observations and data they collect is helping explain why Peakshole Water flooded so badly in October.

A further Flood Group meeting primarily for those at risk of flooding but open to anyone interested but especially those who might have help or advice to offer, will be held in the Village Hall at 7pm on Monday 4 March.