

CASTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF ORDINARY MEETING: Thursday 26th June 2025 7:30 PM

Village Hall, Castleton

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of Castleton Parish Council to be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 26th June 2025, following the Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7:00pm, for the purposes of transacting the business below:

T Dale

Mrs T. Dale, 20th June 2025

Clerk to Castleton Parish Council

Email: clerkrfocpc@gmail.com

01/06/25 To consider accepting any apologies for absence.

02/06/25 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.

03/06/25 **Reports:**
A: County Councillor’s Report
B: Borough Councillor’s Report
C: Police Report
D: Chair’s Report

04/06/25 **Public Participation:** Members of the public will be allowed to speak to the meeting including upon items on the agenda in accordance with Standing Orders and at the discretion of the Chair of the meeting.

05/06/25 **Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Relating Thereto:**
A: To consider for approval the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 28th May 2025, 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.

06/06/25 **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.

	Current Account 28 th June 2025	NS&I
Balance brought forward 01/04/24	£14,567.79	£18,859.17
Total Income	£8,872.00	£0.00
Total Expenditure	£6,176.21	£0.00
Balance	£17,263.58	£18,859.17
Last Statement Balance 13/06/25	£18,525.58	£18,859.17
Less un-presented cheques	£1262.00	£0.00
Add uncleared deposits	£0.00	£0.00
Available Balance 26/06/25	£18,525.58	£18,859.17

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

- i) T. Dale – Clerk’s salary, allowance, expenses and Microsoft annual subscription - £483.96
- ii) HMRC – Employee Tax & NI - £26.43
- iii) Castleton Village Hall – Room Hire - £36.00
- iv) John Marriott – Internal Audit - £110.00

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

D: To receive an update on the 2024-2025 Audit Report.

07/06/25 **Council Matters:**
A: To receive an update on responses to visitor pressures in Castleton and Hope Valley.
B: To receive an update on buses and public transport strategies. (Annex A)
C: To receive an update on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order (TRO)
D: To receive an update on speeding prevention items currently under review

	<p>E: To discuss a Community Response Plan.</p> <p>F: To discuss proposal to repair of the two notice boards in main car park and bus turnaround</p> <p>G: To consider recognition of Concern for Castleton Group following the move to a website to collate issues.</p> <p>H: To receive an update on the defibrillator sign</p> <p>H: To review and discuss Events Diary</p> <p>I: To discuss and agree footpath for repair under the 2025-2026 PROW Scheme.</p> <p>J: To discuss and agree activities for VJ Day</p> <p>K: To receive an update on burial ground activities</p> <p>L: To discuss Parish Councils communication channels</p> <p>M: To receive an update on flood resilience activities</p> <p>N: To note and if urgently required to discuss and or resolve.</p>
08/06/25	<p>Planning:</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) Breedon Cement – Request for a scoping opinion related to proposal for the lateral extension of Hope Limestone Quarry. <p>B: To note any planning decisions as notified by the Peak District National Park Authority: None this month</p> <p>C: Applications received by the Licensing Authority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Castleton Village Hall, How Lane, Castleton – Fundraiser Event – 21/06/2025 ii) Castleton Village Hall, How Lane, Castleton - Charity Event – 05/07/2025 iii) Field off Warehouse Lane, Castleton, S33 8WB – Wedding – 05/07/2025
09/06/25	<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, Major repairs Along the A6187, Mobile Library Routes, Holiday Activities and Food Programme. ii) DALC – Newsletters. iii) Democratic Services – Various. iv) NALC – Events, Newsletters, Bulletins. v) HVCA – Newsletter, Open Wild Gardens. vi) HPBC – Possible Funding Opportunities, Town and Villages Regeneration Fund, Campaign Begins on Local Government Reorganisation. vii) PDNPA – Announcing an Ambitious New Cultural Heritage Project, SMDC Community Climate and Nature Fund. viii) Peak Park Parishes Forum – Draft Minutes, Local Plan Review: Business and Land Management Survey. ix) Cllr. Collins – Councillors Initiative Fund 2025/26 x) Travel Light – Follow Up. xi) Breedon – Liaison Meeting Notes xii) Citizens Advice – Annual Impact Report
10/06/25	<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 30th July 2025.

Public transport and bus services June update

We continue to keep in touch with developments to promote and market the Service 62. A revised leaflet has been produced and apparently delivered to all households in Castleton. Clearly this bus needs more publicity to encourage usage and future continuity. We have also been alerted to the need for evening services for the Service 61 from Glossop to Buxton, and why passengers could not use First Bus company tickets. This has been raised by Better Buses for East Midlands.

Prior to the June CPC there will be a Visitor Management Meeting where public transport is seen as part of reducing car parking congestion, connecting with other villages and rail stations, and enhancing visitor experience. Members of Hope Valley Climate (HVCA) and Better Buses for Castleton (BB4C) will be contributing to this on-going discussion. Castleton has certainly been a focus for media attention lately, and it is to be hoped that public transport will be given high priority for residents and visitors alike, by all the key stakeholders attending this meeting.

The Stagecoach Peak Sightseer recommenced in May for the summer, running seven days a week, and September to October at weekends. This is operating commercially with no subsidies. Concern has been expressed about the double decker bus coming down the Winnats Pass in terms of weight and the speed it often travels as reported to the CPC. To date we have not received a satisfactory answer to this but will pursue via the new elected DCC councillors. Added to this is the need for improved timetabling and coordination of other buses arriving at Castleton Bus Station at the same time. As reported in May, DCC subsidised services will be transferred to the East Midlands Mayoral Authority (EMCCA). Although few details are available a delivery plan for next year's Bus Services Improvement Plan (BSIP) have been presented to the EMCCA. The EMCCA will assume responsibility for bus strategy and delivery. We are aware that the Mayor is funding a full assessment of the whole bus network but not a full examination of franchising. She intends to undertake a review of all bus services between October 2025 and March 2026. Stakeholders have been advised NOT to send documents of Hope Valley rural transport issues to the Mayor's office until after the formal consultation process. It is developing an engagement plan and wants to hear from a wide variety of groups, but in a structured way. Currently the main way of informing and influencing improvements in public transport via the Mayor's office is through the EMCCA Transport and Digital Connectivity Committee (TDCC). This advisory committee makes no decisions, but the public can attend and ask questions. Better buses action groups and key stakeholders are tabling questions.

National Better Buses Campaign – this group which includes our BB4C action group continues to gain momentum and in our neighbouring county, Better Buses for South Yorkshire is worked with their Mayor to consult with the public as to whether buses should be in public control. Franchising for South Yorkshire has now been approved, in effect taking the buses back into public control. All cross- boundary routes into S Yorkshire will operate commercially under permits. From a Derbyshire perspective it is hoped that our own and bordering counties will work together on improved transport links.

High Peak and Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership (HPHVCRP) promote rail travel by enhancing local stations and making rail transport a more attractive experience. At Hope Station there will be local artwork displayed, arising from a competition at Hope Valley College. A plaque will shortly be mounted to mark the 100 years since the rail crash. One area still to be reconciled in terms of rail transport are Sunday services where agreement over working practices is still to be reconciled. On a positive note, Northern Rail have launched a new service to provide information and guidance for anyone who needs support and assistance when travelling by train. Available via what's app: 07779 914800, or for those without a smartphone: 0800 138 5560.