

Caston Parish Council

CHAIRMAN: Mr Chris Cook VICE CHAIRMAN: Mrs Kay Farmbrough

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CASTON PARISH COUNCIL
MONDAY 5 JULY 2021
 AT CASTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM

Councillor's present:- Chris Cook, Kay Farmbrough, Graham Moss, John Hill

Also present:- Members of the Public

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Howell.

2. **To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 7 June 2021**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 7 June 2021 be signed, by the Chairman, as a true and correct record. Proposed by Cllr Farmbrough and seconded by Cllr Hill, all voted in favour.

The Chairman closed the meeting to permit participation from the public.

3. **Participation and questions from the public, session 1.**

One member of the Public suggested that as the Council was short on numbers, could the Council co-opt for project work. The Clerk advised that we do often include members of the public to assist with project work but the Council cannot co-opt for this purpose only, co-option would be to have another full time Councillor.

The Chairman reopened the Council meeting.

4. **Guest Speakers**

None.

5. **Speedwatch**

"During June the volunteers managed to do seven checks. Many of the checks resulted in numerous offenders being detected. A total of 721 vehicles were assessed of which 98 were reported to the Constabulary for processing. During one check (1 hour) a total of 91 vehicles were assessed and 30 were reported for processing.

Due to our returns the enforcement officers did a double check at the same time, one at Coronation Terrace and one at the Mill House which also provided good results. The checks from the enforcement team result in fines and penalty points.

The highest speed recorded this month was 54mph.

Due to relocating I have lost two members of the team, one who was my deputy. So yet again I am looking for more volunteers and someone to be my deputy.

A total of 7 hours checking with four persons per check a total of 28 man hours".

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6. To record any Declarations of Interest and to consider any requests for Dispensations from Council Members.

Cllr Farnbrough – 5D, 5E and 5F as a neighbour.

7. Planning Applications

The following updates were provided in relation to current planning applications.

- A. **3PL/2021/0925/HOU** - Touchstone Cottage The Street Caston Attleborough NR17 1DD - Proposed detached cart-shed garage building in front of dwelling & conversion of existing garage to gym/utility room. No objections.
- B. **3PL/2021/0904/F** - Church Farm The Green NR17 1DB - To erect a cattle shed to house up to 50/60 head of cattle. Building also to include lean-to area for isolation pens, weighing equipment and handling equipment. No objections.
- C. **APP/F2605/W/21/3268777** – (3PL/2020/0262/O) Land to the North of School View – Erection of 3 no. two storey dwellings with associated car parking, landscaping and access. Undecided. Comments submitted to Planning Inspectorate.
- D. **3OB/2021/0013/OB** - Land Adjacent To Caston Primary School Caston Norfolk NR17 1DD - Modify The Application Obligation on 3PL/2017/1267/O The obligation required for the provision of a car park for Caston Primary School. However, since the approval was granted it has become apparent that the school does not wish to have the car park provided. Undecided. Comments submitted.
- E. **3PL/2021/0223/D** - Land Adjacent To Caston Primary School Caston NR17 1DD - Reserved matters application for Erection of five dwellings following outline application 3PL/2017/1267/O. Undecided. Comments submitted.
- F. **3DC/2021/0039/DOC** - Land Adjacent To Caston Primary School The Street NR17 1DD - Discharge of Condition No 4 & 9 on 3PL/2017/1267/O. Undecided. Comments submitted.
- G. **3PL/2021/0439/VAR** - The Barns Attleborough Road Caston NR17 1DJ - Variation of Condition No. 2 on 3PL/2019/0518/F Amended Design and inclusion of a balcony to the rear (Plot 1 Self-Build). Approved.

8. Finance – to approve and report the following expenditure:-

- A. To approve salary payment including holiday allowance to the Clerk, Mrs Joanne Blackman, for the month of June 2021 in the sum of £221.07.
- B. To approve payment to RG Maintenance Services Ltd in respect of invoice no 2245426 for grass cutting (June) in the sum of £288.00 (incl VAT).
- C. To ratify payment to Plusnet for Broadband at the Village Hall in respect of invoice number 00004758344-023 in the sum of £34.20 (incl VAT).

The above payments were proposed by Cllr Moss, seconded by Cllr Farnbrough, all voted in favour.

9. Matters to Report:-

A. Financial Balances

The Clerk provided the current balances. The Clerk reported that she had been unable to access Lloyds online at the present time.

B. The Rangers

The flooding at the corner of the Street outside Delmar House was discussed again and the fact that this had been on and off the Agenda since 2016 and how Highways had failed to rectify the matter. A draft letter is being prepared to send to the authorities.

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C. Play Area – overhanging branches and other matters

It was acknowledged that there are several overhanging branches and a couple of other minor issues which had been raised. Cllr Cook will check and rectify the minor issues and the Clerk will organise a tree inspection.

D. Dog bins – update

The Clerk is still trying to seek a handyman who can move the bins to the outside of the bus shelters. The bin in the shelter outside the school can be removed in its entirety (as there is also a large bin in place) and the Clerk will contact Norfolk CC in this regard to remove it from the rota.

E. Bank signatories – update

The Clerk reported that she was progressing this matter.

F. Village Hall Internet

County Broadband was discussed and it is apparent that they are still in the early stages of the supply being available to the village and we should therefore seek to extend the contract with Plusnet for a further year, subject to costs. Clerk to arrange.

G. Noticeboard – Northacre

Cllr Cook has rubbed down and repainted the Noticeboard.

H. Telephone kiosk – Northacre

Cllr Cook enquired as to whether the old photographs of Caston are in digital format and it was confirmed that yes they are. Cllr Cook requested permission to use the photographs and this was agreed. Cllr Cook will progress this matter.

I. Flooding

This item was deferred until Cllr Howell is in attendance.

10. Correspondence

None.

11. To agree the next meeting date

Monday 6 September 2021. There will be no meeting for August unless an extraordinary meeting is necessary.

The Chairman closed the meeting to permit public discussion.

12. Participation and questions from the public – session 2

None.

13. Matters for future discussion to be noted

As above.

Meeting closed at 8.02pm

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