

Minutes of a meeting of Casterton Parish Council
held at Casterton Village Hall on Monday 2nd February 2015 at 2pm.

Present were Councillors Enid Hastings (Chairman), John Bye, Ken Humphris, May Mackie and Claire Wildsmith, District Councillor Kevin Lancaster, four members of the public and the Clerk Mr K M Price. Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor Evelyn Westwood.

17/15 Public participation:

A member of the public commented that there were less members of the public present than at some evening meetings.

However favourable comments regarding afternoon meetings had been received from two District Councillors, the Police, and a number of members of the public. The Chairman pointed out that the March meeting would be the last afternoon meeting this winter.

18/15 Requests for Dispensations: None.

19/15 Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any items on the agenda.

20/15 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th January 2015, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

21/15 County and District matters:

Councillor Lancaster reported that SLDC is in the process of re-Warding the District and there would be a consultation regarding this. The changes to parishes are likely to be minimal.

22/15 Police Report: None.

23/15 Chairman and Councillor's announcements:

- a. There have been a number of complaints of increased dog fouling on the lane from the Church to the railway bridge. It was resolved to put the dog fouling notices back up and also to alert the school.
- b. The next LAP meeting is on Monday 23rd February at 7pm at Dent Village Hall.
- c. The next CALC meeting is on Thursday 5th March at 7pm at Gilpin Bridge, Levens.
- d. Mr & Mrs Lamb of Casterton Grange have agreed to meet representatives of the Council early this month. The Clerk will liaise with the Chairman to arrange the date.

24/15 Officer's Reports:

- a. Public Rights of Way. Councillor Wildsmith submitted a written report, which will be appended to the minutes. Councillor Wildsmith also volunteered to plant more snowdrops at Laitha Lane.
- b. Highways. Councillor Bye submitted a written report, which will be appended to the minutes. It was noted that an invoice is due from Bill Hartley for work on the drains and that this work should be carried out regularly.
- c. Village Hall. Councillor Mackie reported that there had been a committee meeting at the end of January, when it was noted that the half yearly accounts were in good order and there is substantial capital in the bank. Social events held have been both enjoyable and profitable and a Casterton Community Trust grant was awarded towards the window blinds. Discussion had taken place on how to promote the Village Hall for general use, bearing in mind that a majority of the committee are not likely to continue beyond 2016. The committee would like to welcome volunteers from the village, especially those from a younger age group. The next function is on Friday 27th February when there will be a Round Britain Quiz and a two-course supper. Tickets are £12. The AGM will be held on Thursday 21st May.
- d. Broadband. Councillor Humphris reported that it now seemed likely that the date for high-speed broadband provision in Casterton would be around June 2015.
- e. Western Dales bus service. Councillor Bye submitted a written report, which will be appended to the minutes.

25/15 Signs for lanes in Casterton:

One sign has now been ordered for Laitha Lane and it was agreed to discuss possible funding from the Environmental Partnership Fund for a further one or two signs.

26/15 Registration of Community Assets:

It was resolved to apply to register the village shop and Holy Trinity Church as Community Assets - the Clerk will supply the forms.

27/15 Casterton Swimming Club:

There have been eight expressions of interest from residents and it was agreed that this justifies going outside the village to gauge further interest. It was resolved to advertise in AKL and the Clerk will notify all his other contacts in the Rainbow parishes.

28/15 Environmental Partnership Fund:

It was resolved to pass on the following possibilities for funding from this fund:

- a. Two further signs for lanes in Casterton, at a cost of around £300 each
- b. Maps/leaflets for Laitha Lane at a cost of around £250
- c. Further daffodil bulbs to be planted at a cost of around £50

29/15 Street Clean Survey:

It was resolved, as much of the survey was not relevant to Casterton. not to complete this document.

30/15 Standing Orders and Financial Regulations:

The Model Financial Regulations were carefully examined and parts that were not relevant deleted. The Clerk will re-issue the document for final confirmation at the next meeting.

It was resolved to defer consideration of the Model Standing Orders until the next meeting, in order to give Councillors time to examine it fully.

31/15 Clerk's Report: None.

32/15 Finance:

a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

Ian Johnson	£26.00	Printing Casterton Newsletter
Casterton Village Hall	£121.50	Hire of hall for 2015

b. The cash and budget statements were noted.

33/15 Planning:

a. The following comments has been submitted by the Council to the Planning Authority, since the last meeting:

SL/2014/1191 Hole House, Bents Lane, Casterton. The proposal is to add two small extensions between the house and the barn, off the existing linking building - see design statement. No objections.

SL/2014/1188 Wandaes Barn, Wandaes Lane, High Casterton. Discharge of Condition 6 attached to Planning Permission SL/2011/0171 The proposed screening to the east of the sheep shed is welcome but in addition to this the Council recommends there should be screening to the north and south of this building and the hedge on the road side be allowed to grow to the 2.5metres recommended.

b. The following planning matter was brought to the Council's attention:

SL/2014/1079 Field Edge, Casterton. Erection of replacement dwelling and change of use of land to extend garden curtilage. It is understood that there are some changes to the proposed design and the Chairman and Councillor Humphris will liaise on this, after examination of the documents online.

34/15 Future agenda items:

- a. Standing Orders - to review and update
- b. Risk Assessment - to review and update

35/15 Date of next meeting:

Monday 16th March 2015 - Casterton Village Hall at 2pm.

The meeting closed at 3.50pm.

Signed:

Dated: