

Catterick Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 6th December 2021

Present: Cllr Young, Cllr Rafferty, Cllr Bannister, Cllr Wyrill, Cllr Claypole

Clerk

In attendance; County councillor Les, District Councillor Rowe, Maj. Mark Graham

1. Apologises for absence;

Cllr Campbell & PCSO Diane Smith

2. Open forum.

No members of the public attended but Cllr Bannister raised a concern brought to him by 2 residents of Mowbray Rd about a street light outside no. 11 Mowbray Rd which has not been working for some time.

Cllr Young also mentioned the light outside no. 17 Mill Bungalows. This is a new light and has not worked since it was fitted.

District Cllr Rowe said that he would report these to the District Council.

3. Reports

3.1 Police report.

PCSO Smith sent out the report. The Clerk had previously sent it out to the Parish Councillors.

Report from 02/11/21 – 02/12/21

9 Crimes reported -5 Violence – 4 were domestic related, 1 was related to a neighbour dispute.**2 Criminal Damage** – Relates to an ongoing neighbour dispute.

2 Crime (Theft) – Report of theft from a shop which was later paid for. Report of a possible stolen car key -there were no lines of enquiry.

1 Road Traffic Collision Report – Report of a non- serious collision-the investigation is still ongoing.

8 Person/Safety /Warning reports –

2 Suspicious Reports – 1 report of a possible intruder, an area search was conducted with no further sightings. 1 report of a suspicious vehicle, there were no further sightings.

1 Domestic report

1 Sudden death report.

3 Concern incidents. - 1 report for concern for a female who was dealt with by officers and received medical care. 1 report for concern of an elderly female, reassurance was given. 1 report of a male who was missing from home, he was found safe and well.

1 Abandoned 999 call – call made in error

1 Administration incident – Project Servator operating at Marne Barracks.

Tea with NYP... at Booth Hall - No meetings, until further notice.

Project Servator is up and running in Richmondshire.

We will be here, unannounced. We can be at any place, anytime and anywhere.

North Yorkshire Community Messaging

This is a free system that allows people to receive the latest crime notifications and community news in their neighbourhoods. People can register on www.nycm.co.uk

Contact North Yorkshire Police

Please visit our website www.northyorkshire.police.uk for advice regarding Crime Prevention and safety advice.

Emergency - 999

National 24hr non-emergency number 101

- 101 calls cost 15 pence per call from mobile or landline, regardless of length of call

Call 'Crimestoppers' anonymously on 0800 555 111

Contact Details: PCSO 3521 Di Smith

diane.smith3521@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

3.2 County Councillor Les.

Covid numbers in North Yorkshire are now below the national average. 471 for England and 404 for the County but Richmondshire is still high at 499. There are 103 in hospital a drop of 23 from last week. As yet there have been no cases of the Omicron variant.

Avian Flu has been detected in the area. This affects 9 units with 300,000 hens. 150,00 turkeys have also been affected.

The County Council has had a strategy meeting about installing electric charging points. £30 million has been put aside for this. Catterick Village is to be used as a 'guinea pig' to work out areas that could be best used for siting these points, e.g. pub car parks, community hall car parks, road side. This would then be used to work out plans for other villages.

Local Government reform is progressing. The Structural reform Order has been received and sent back to the Government for approval. There will be 90 Councillors with only one area having 2 Councillors.

The County Council wants all Parish Council elections aligned with the County elections. To achieve this all Parish Council elections will take place next year at the same time as the County Elections. The term of office will be 5 years until 2027. After these elections they will be held every 4 years.

Some Parish Councils are charged for these elections by their District Council, County Council wants to stop this. Most District Councils agreed to this for next year's elections. Richmondshire have now agreed to this.

3.3 District Councillor Rowe

RDC are to allocate £100,000 for the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations next year. 50% will go towards developing existing events and the rest will be open to the Parish Councils to apply for.

There is to be a study of Community Buildings to see how the Carbon footprint can be reduced.

3.4 Marne Barracks.

The long-awaited restructuring of the army has been announced.

5th regiment is to stay at Marne Barracks and to remain the same size.

32 Reg, is also to remain but to be made smaller.

21 Engineering will be coming from Ripon in about 2025. There will be about 1,500 personnel.

32 Reg. is sending 150 soldiers to Poland and 5th Reg. is on short notice for UK resilience to help out where needed.

He introduced the Adjutant from Marne barracks Dan Clarke – he said he was happy to help keep the links between the village and the Barracks.
Christmas leave is from 15th December to 4th January.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 1st November 2021 were approved

Proposed: Cllr Rafferty Seconded: Cllr Claypole

5. Matters arising.

None

6. Current Issues.

6.1 Bench for Cemetery.

The Clerk had previously sent details to the Parish Councillors of possible recycled benches to replace the wooden bench in the cemetery that is now broken. It was agreed to purchase the bench from Solway Recycling. As the original bench was awarded for winning the Village in Bloom competition it was suggested that an inscription be put on the bench to recognise this. Solway Recycling will do this at a cost of £20. The Councillors agreed to buy the bench with a 3 spar back and arms and inscription. Cllr Young will check the area is large enough for the bench.

6.2 Grit Bin in Willow View.

A resident has contacted the Clerk about the possibility of having a grit bin installed in Willow View. The nearest one at the moment is in Mowbray Road which is too far to be of any use. There is an elderly population living in this area and the Councillors agreed that it would be useful. The Parish Council will have to pay for the replenishment of the grit. The Councillors agreed to this. The Clerk will contact Area 1.

6.3 Replacing the safety surfaces in playparks.

The safety surfaces under some of the play equipment needs repairing, especially under the swings in Arena View. The rubber matting is in quite good repair but large gaps have developed between the squares. Quotes have been obtained for the replacement - ranging from just over £5,000 to £8,000. A large cost is the recycling of the rubber. The Councillors thought it seems a lot of money. Cllr Bannister had suggested that sand is put between the mat tiles to fill in the gaps. It was also suggested that David Lodge from RDC, who inspects the Play Parks, is contacted to see what he thinks is the best way of repairing the surface and if his team could do it. The Clerk will do this.

6.4 Queen's Jubilee.

Cllr Young thought that this item should be carried over to next month when Cllr Campbell will be attending as she organised the last celebrations.

Cllr Claypole mentioned the Queen's Green Canopy – which is encouraging the planting of trees and suggested that trees could be planted along the Local Access Road.

7. Accounts

7.1 The periodic accounts

These were circulated prior to the meeting and were approved and accepted by the members.

Proposed: Cllr Bannister Seconded: Cllr Rafferty

7.2 The draft budget

This had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Parish Councillors agreed the budget and think that the precept can be kept the same as previous years. This will be confirmed in January once the tax base for next year has been released by the District Council.

8. Correspondence.

- a)** The Clerk has received a thankyou email from the Citizen Advise for the donation the Parish Council has given them
- b)** A resident has contacted then Clerk about the shrubs in the churchyard that backs onto her property. She wants to be able to keep on with the maintenance that she carries out on it as she feels this has stopped youngsters climbing onto her wall. The Parish Council have given their permission for the Men Without sheds group to look after the churchyard to allow more nature to thrive. Cllr Bannister is involved in this group and said that he has spoken to the resident about the shrubs and that they do not want to cut it down as it has a variety of plant species in it. He said that she can cut back any of the shrubs that overhang her garden. The Clerk will write to the lady.
- c)** The clerk has been contacted by 2 residents that regularly clean up litter along the road by the racecourse. They have been in touch before. They said that the litter is very bad and regularly find human excrement in the laybys. The Clerk told them that they have requested litter bins in each layby.
- d)** A resident wanted it noted that he wants to allow his daughter to be buried in the grave space he purchased on behalf of his wife and himself in 1996 instead of himself. He has sent letter to the Clerk confirming this and she will put this with the cemetery records.

9. Planning Applications.

21/00755/FULL Full Planning Permission for Installation of Shipping Container to be Used for Storage of Camping and Other Activity Equipment at 1st Catterick St.

Annes Scout Group HQ, Leeming Lane

They had no objections and said it was up to the Sports Association to put in any objections.

10. Minor Matters.

a) Cllr Bannister raised the matter about the cows that got into an elderly lady's garden from the 18 Acre field over a year ago. The owner of the land is supposed to maintain the fences so that his stock cannot escape but nothing has been done to the fence. Cllr Wyrill advised that the residents that were affected by the cows should contact their insurance companies who would then get in touch with the landowner. Photo evidence would be needed.

Cllr Threlfall is thought to know the contact details of the landowner. Cllr Bannister will contact him and will offer advice to the residents.

b) Cllr Young thanked Cllr Les for the Locality Budget money he gave to the Parish Council for extra Christmas Lights and Colin Browne for donating the tree, He also thanked Cllr Rafferty for his help with putting up the decorations and the co-op for donating the mince pies, sweets and mulled wine.

c) Cllr Wyrill said that 2 cars have once again been run off the road at the sharp bend on the road by Limekiln Wood, unfortunately they would not report this to the police. He wondered if a white line in the centre of the road would stop cars crossing over to the oncoming traffic.

d) Cllr Rafferty regrettably offered his resignation as a Parish Councillor due to personal/family reasons. Cllr Young thanked him for the work he has carried out for the Parish and said that if he feels able to come back in the future, he would be very welcome.

The meeting closed at 20.15

Date of next meeting January 10th 2022

Signed.....

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