

Catterick Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 5th September 2022

Present: Cllr Campbell, Cllr Young, Cllr Wyrill, Cllr Clarkson, Claypole, O'Connor
Clerk

In attendance; County Councillor Les, District Councillor Threlfall, PCSO Smith,

1. Apologies for absence;

Cllr Rowe

2. Open forum.

Three members of the public attended the meeting.

They had previously sent emails to the Parish Council expressing their concerns about anti-social behaviour in the village by groups of teenagers. They said that they are bullying other children and the children of the village are now scared to go out.

They said that one girl was targeted in her own home by the group. Younger children are being recruited by the gang.

When the Clerk received the emails, she sent them onto the police and advised the residents that any incidents should be reported directly to the police.

The residents said that other groups also meet in different parts of the village including up at the war memorial and on the Green and that adults are also feeling threatened by the groups. A large group of unsupervised young children has also been seen meeting on the Green.

The Parish Council had asked that a member of the Police and also Edwina Anderson from North Yorkshire Youth attend the Parish Council meeting, which they did.

PCSO Smith said that the incident with the girl being targeted in her own home was reported at the beginning of August but there had been no more reports since. This had been dealt with and the children spoken to. She asked if things had been any better since then and they said they thought they had been. Edwina Anderson said that if they had any safeguarding issues about the children in the village, they should report these.

Cllr Young said that the Parish Council had been pro-active about trying to get something organised for the teenagers of the village and before these problems were raised the Council had been talking to North Yorkshire Youth to try and arrange some Youth Groups.

Edwina Anderson said that she attended a Parish Council meeting in June and agreed with the Parish Council to trial some detached Youth Work. The youth workers would walk around the village and meet with the groups of youngsters and talk to them and find out what they really wanted and try and put this in place. Youth

Clubs funded by the Parish Council had not been successful in the past. This work would be funded by the Parish Council. This is to start on Thursday 15th September. Cllr Claypole said that she would advertise this on the Catterick Community Face book page.

PCSO Smith said that it was important that any incident, swearing, bullying etc. was reported to the police so they could build up a record of what is happening and by whom. She said that any incident can be reported anonymously.

All the methods of reporting to the police are at the end of the Police report found in the minutes every month.

Edwina is attending the Richmondshire District Council Community Safety Partnership this week and will bring up these problems and next week she will also be attending the Multi Agency Partnership (MAP). This is chaired by RDC and attended by various agencies such as the police, North Yorkshire Youth, CAMHS and the NHS. Incidents reported to them will be discussed. Edwina will ask for the problems raised in Catterick Village to be put on the agenda.

3.Reports.

3.1 Police report.

PCSO Smith read out the report

Report from 04/07/22 – 03/09/22

5 Crimes reported -5 Violence – 1 report of soldiers fighting on camp, RMP dealing. 1 Threats of violence made during a neighbour dispute, no further complaints made, there was no further action. 1 report which was regarding an ongoing neighbour dispute. 1 report was involving a male with Mental Health issues. 1 Report of an assault, which was dealt with accordingly.

10 Anti-Social Behaviour Reports – 4 ASB nuisance calls – 1 report of possible intruders on a building site, there were no lines of enquiry and no crimes. 1 Report of graffiti on a dog waste bin. 1 report of unwanted calls, advice was given. 1 ongoing dispute between parents and children.

6 ASB personal calls – 4 Neighbour disputes reported. 2 Domestic related reports made.

1 RTC Report – HGV causes damage to overhead cables.

1 Highway Disruption – Resident reports a vehicle parked on a pavement, there were no available officers to attend.

19 Person/Safety /Warning reports –2 Abandoned 999 calls - all were made in error.**2 Domestic Incident.7 Suspicious reports** – 4 calls regarding the welfare and whereabouts for an elderly lady who was found to be safe and well. 1 call regarding the welfare of a family member who was found to be at home and in order. 2 Reports of 2 people acting suspiciously near the beck, Rural Task Force are dealing. **4 Concern reports** – 1 resident reports a vulnerable male in the street, he was found and taken home. 1 caller reports a family member missing, he was found safe and well. 1 report for concern of a vulnerable soldier on camp, RMP are dealing. 1 Report of a possible vulnerable person sitting near the bus shelter, officers attended and offered advice.

1 Animal/welfare – Report of a found ringed bird, advice to contact RSPCA.

1 Alarm sounding – A neighbour reports a house alarm sounding. There was no further action.**1 Civil report** - Person requests advice relating to a domestic related issue, advice was given.

1 Administration report – Project Servator deployment carried out.

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.

The proposed devolution deal for North Yorkshire was signed with the government on 1st August. This is now going out for public consultation.

The Chief executive has been appointed for the new North Yorkshire County and recruiting for staff can begin.

The road drains have been checked in the area by putting cameras down and it has found that a drain has partly collapsed in Swale Pasture Lane. This will be mended.

3.3 Cllr Threlfall

The Richmondshire Community Safety Partnership is meeting on Wednesday. Ian will be attending as is Edwina Anderson from North Yorkshire Youth.

He reminded everyone that they need to be registered on the electoral register.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th July 2022 were approved

Proposed: Cllr Young Seconded: Cllr Clarkson

5. Matters arising.

The zip wire repairs (as agreed by email over the summer) have been carried out today. The tensioning mechanism was not included in the cable assembly price as thought and has had to be purchased separately.

6. Current Issues.

6.1 Grass cutting.

As discussed in July, Cllr Campbell has got a price from Colin Browne for the extra grass cutting that may be needed during the early growing season to keep on top of the grass. He said his day charge is £400. Cllr Campbell is to clarify with Mr Browne whether this would be the charge per extra cut or in total over the season. Mr Browne said that he wanted to stress that he would only do the extra cuts if they were needed.

6.2 Co-Option of Parish Councillors.

2 residents of the village, Shirley Bhatti and Paul Fitz-George, have come forward wanting to be co-opted on to the Parish Council. They had previously sent a short resume about themselves and they were both given the opportunity to speak.

Shirley Bhatti – Has been a resident of the village for 3 years and lived in the Garrison for 20 years. She has previously attended a meeting to find out more about the Parish Council

Paul Fitz- George – has lived in the village for 10 years and is now retired.

The candidates and the rest of the attendees were asked to leave the meeting whilst the applications were discussed.

After the discussion a vote was taken. Mrs Bhatti's had a majority vote to be co-opted onto the Parish Council but Mr Fitz-George did not get a majority vote for co-option onto the Council.

The candidates were called back into the room and Cllr Young gave out the result. Mrs Bhatti will now have acceptance forms and Pecuniary and Other Interest forms to fill in at the next meeting.

7. The periodic accounts.

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

Proposed: Cllr Young Seconded: Cllr Wyrill

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that the External Auditor has accepted the year end return for 2021/2022 that she submitted. The conclusion of audit notice and the external auditors report have been put on the notice board and on the website.

The clerk has received a letter from the Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments. SAAA about the end of the 5-year contact for the external auditor. The SAAA appoint the auditors for smaller council but we do have the opportunity to opt out and choose our own.

The Parish Council decided that it would be better to let the SAAA appoint the auditor.

8. Correspondence.

a) The Clerk has received an email from the Citizens Advice asking if the Parish Council would be able to give a donation to help with their work. They have helped 63 people in the Village over the last year but each of these cases will probably have had more than one problem they wanted advice on.

The Parish Council normally give a donation to them and they agreed that at the moment their work is more important than ever. It was suggested that the amount given should be raised to £300.

This was proposed by Cllr Young and seconded by Cllr Campbell

The rest of the Parish Council agreed.

The Clerk will ask them if it would be possible for the Citizens Advice to organise an Outreach visit to the village.

b) A family have asked if they can put a memorial bench in the cemetery in their baby son's memory. Cllr Young suggested that the old bench that is now broken could be removed and they could use this space as it is quite near the grave. Cllr Campbell said that this bench was received when the village won the Best Kept Village Competition and she felt it should be replaced by the Council. The Clerk suggested putting up a plaque about winning this competition instead so that the

space could be used for a memorial bench. This was agreed. Cllr Young said he would remove the bench.

The Clerk will arrange a meeting with the family in the cemetery

c) Cllr Young has had a number of complaints about parking in Kings Close. They have said they are having difficulty getting past as do larger delivery vehicles. The Councillors said that there is not much the Parish Council can do about this.

9. Planning Applications.

22/00563/LBC to strip and recover main slate roof and replace all rainwater goods at Corner House. 42 Low Green.

The Parish Councillors had no objections.

The planning application for the alteration to 1 St Anne’s Crescent has been withdrawn.

10. Minor Matters.

Cllr Young suggested that the area by the bus stop that is used for the Christmas display could be used to put up a Halloween Display and to give out sweets to the children on Halloween. He has been to see the manager of the co-op to see if they could use any community funding to provide the sweets.

He asked the Parish Council if he could buy some decorations. It was suggested he could spend between £250 and £300.

Proposed Cllr Claypole
Seconded Cllr Wyrill

He would put the decorations up around the 22nd October and take down around 5th November.

The meeting closed at 20.40

Date of next meeting October 3rd 2022

Signed.....

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