

Caston Parish Council

CHAIRMAN: Mr Chris Cook VICE CHAIRMAN: Mrs Kay Farmbrough

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CASTON PARISH COUNCIL
MONDAY 4 JULY 2022
AT CASTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM**

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

Also present:- Members of the public

1. **Apologies for absence**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Ives.
2. **To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 June 2022.**
It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 June 2022, be signed, by the Chairman, as a true and correct record. All voted in favour.

The Chairman closed the Council Meeting to permit public discussion.

3. **Participation and questions from the public, session 1**
The speed limit into Rayners Falgate was raised and the Clerk advised that she was waiting to hear back from the Clerk at Stow Bedon as to whether they would support our proposal to reduce the speed limit at the top of the Stow Bedon Road, where it meets the A1075 and connects with Rayners Falgate.
4. **Guest Speakers**
None.
5. **Speedwatch and SAM2 Report**
"During June the volunteers completed three checks. 343 vehicles were assessed and 12 were reported to the Constabulary for processing.

Requests for volunteers for July have gone out and the slots are filling up slowly.

It is very noticeable comparing last year's figures with this year's that the volume of traffic has reduced considerably".

There was no SAM2 Report available.

The Chairman reopened the Council Meeting.

6. **To record any Declarations of Interest and to consider any requests for Dispensations from Council Members.**
Cllr Farmbrough – 7B and 7C

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DATED:

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7. Planning Applications

- A. **3PL/2022/0394/VAR** – Development Site at the Barns, Attleborough Road – Variation of Condition No 2 on Appeal Decision APP/F2605/W/21/3270300 – Since the granting of permission through the appeals process, family circumstances have changed and the applicant wishes to reconfigure the internal arrangement of the dwelling resulting in a change to the fenestration pattern to conform to the revised internal arrangements.
Undecided.
- B. **3PL/2021/0223/D** – Land adjacent to Caston Primary School NR17 1DD – Reserved matters application for Erection of five dwellings following outline application 3PL/2017/1267/O. **Undecided.**
- C. **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.**
- D. **3PL/2022/0380/HOU** – The Old Rectory Attleborough Road NR17 1DL – Erection of acoustic fence and gates. **Approved.** A parishioner has written to DC Bowes about it and has asked whether it is now accepted that there is an acoustic problem in the village and what are the options for noise problems?
- E. **3PL/2022/0472/F** – Homefield House The Street NR17 1DD – Proposed New Dwelling. **Refused.**
- F. **3PL/2022/0368/F** - Coughtrey Industrial Estates (Griston) (Units 1 - 17) Church Road IP25 6QB - The demolition of Units 1-6 (whole block Western boundary) and Units 7-13 (part of North Block), extensions to units 14 and 15 (large extension to North block), extension to unit 16 (small extension to South Block), external facia changes, refurbishment to Unit 17, and the reconfiguration of parking and creation of a new loading and unloading area. **Undecided.**
This application was brought to the attention of Caston Parish Council due to the inevitable effect that large vehicles will travel through Caston to reach their destination. Concerns were raised as to the volume and size of the traffic which will likely travel through the Village. It was noted that the Construction Traffic Management Plan states that contractors will be advised to use the “preferred route” via the A1075, in reality vehicles will travel through Caston as it is the most direct route from Attleborough. Concerns were raised that the roads are not suitable for this type of vehicles and parking etc at the school will force the vehicles to stray into the line of oncoming traffic. Clerk to file comments.

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 2022 in the sum of £221.07.
- B. To ratify payment to Plusnet for Broadband at the Village Hall in respect of invoice number 00004758344-036 in the sum of £29.52.
- C. To approve payment to RG Maintenance Services Limited for grass cutting for the month of May (inv no 2247116) in the sum of £486.00 incl VAT.
- D. To approve payment to Graham Moss in the sum of £16.80 in respect of the barriers for the Jubilee Celebrations.

One additional item of payment for approval:-

- E. To approve reimbursement to Lynne Wellbelove in the sum of £58.38 for Jubilee expenses.

Proposed and seconded. All voted in favour.

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9. **Matters to Report**
- A. **Financial Balances**
The Clerk reported the following balances.
Parish Council - £8,834.41 Highway Surveyors -£14,242.16
- B. **Highways/The Rangers**
It was reported that the pavements outside Flaxmoor House are full of weeds and debris.
Clerk to report.
- C. **Emails**
The Clerk advised that she is in communications with Calico (who currently host Caston On-line) with a view to transferring our existing emails across to them. Clerk to update in due course.
- D. **Defib Box**
The Clerk advised that the new door had been ordered for the Defib Box.
- E. **Operation London Bridge**
The Clerk advised that she had contacted the PCC to request that the Church be used for a Condolence Book and for the spire flag to be raised and lowered accordingly. The PCC are meeting in mid July and they will come back to the Parish Council.
- F. **Wi-fi for Village Hall**
The Clerk advised that the wi-fi contract for the Village Hall was coming up for renewal in August and given that no meeting would be held in August, requested authority to renew the contract. It was agreed that provided the Contract does not increase substantially, the Clerk is authorised to renew the same. Clerk to report in due course.
- G. **Phone Box by the Mill**
The phone box by the Mill is in bad condition and residents have asked whether this could be refurbished like the one on the Green. Cllr Cook will take a look at the box and undertake the refurbishment.
- H. **Play Area – maintenance**
The Clerk advised that she had visited the site before the meeting and looked at the bench. It was very wobbly and despite best attempts to repair last year, it now seems beyond repair. Clerk to price up a new bench.
- I. **New bin for Village Green**
The Clerk advised that a new bin will cost in the region of £200-£300 and will require fixings and someone to fix in place. The Clerk awaits a response from Breckland as to whether a new licence will be required or whether the existing one can be amended.
Clerk to report back in due course.
10. **Correspondence**
None.
11. **To agree the next meeting date: 5 September 2022**

The Chairman closed the Council Meeting to permit public discussion.

12. **Participation and questions from the public – session 2**
A parishioner mentioned that some resurfacing work had taken place at the end of the Stow Bedon Road.

Cllr Hill asked whether the Council had a representative on the Board of Governors at the school, as historically this had been the case. The Clerk advised that we did not and had not during her time as Clerk (2016). Cllr Hill to approach school.

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- 13. **Matters for future discussion to be noted.**
As above.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm

Jo Blackman
Parish Clerk

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