

CASTLE EDEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting Held in the Village Hall on Thursday March 21st 2013 at 7.00pm.**

Present:-

Councillor R. Buckley (Chair)	Councillor A. Milburn (AM Vice Chair)
Councillor I. Bird (IB)	Councillor D. Fanthorpe (DF)
Councillor B. Nutter (BN)	Councillor A. Rodham (AR)
Mr I. A. Goodrich (Parish Clerk)	

There were four residents present.

**1. Apologies for Absence.**

There was an apologies from Councillor M. Wilmer and County Councillor R. Crute.

**2. Police Report.**

There were no Police present therefore no Police Report.

**3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday February 21st 2013.**

It was proposed by IB and seconded by AR that the minutes were a true record.

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes.**

a) The Clerk said that he had been to County Hall and collected election forms for the forthcoming election on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and had distributed these to Parish Councillors.

**5. Correspondence.**

- a) An e mail from Mr D. Battensby about road concerns at Castle Eden A19 Flyover. He is quite prepared to meet with parish Councillors to discuss this matter. The Clerk was asked to e mail him requesting a site meeting at his convenience, around 4.00pm when traffic begins to get busier.
- b) A letter from Mr K. Jameson, Area Traffic Manager, to a resident concerning mud on a footway and traffic speeds. Heavy rain had caused a mud build up from adjoining fields. A flashing “speedvisor” had been placed before the entrance to the Village. He advised the resident to attend local PACT Meetings.
- c) A letter from a resident who had erected wire fencing around his property. The Chair said he would visit him in person to bring this matter to a satisfactory conclusion.

**6. County Councillor’s Report.**

County Councillor R. Crute was not present therefore there was no report.

**7. Planning Proposals**

Planning Proposal agreed to by Castle Eden Parish Council.

PL/5/2013/0060. Erection of Detached Garage/Store to Front Entrance Gates and Associated Hard Stands At Hallow Hill for Mr A. Cooper.

**8. Finance Report.**

Balance at the Bank.	£ 6874	95
Expenditure. Autographics. Printing of Parish Plan Questionnaire.	£ 416	96
MMRC. Income Tax on Clerk’s Stipend.	240	00
Clerk’s Annual Stipend.	960	00

Total Expenditure.	£ 1581	96
Balance at the Bank.	£5292	99

Councillor D. Fanthorpe issued a list of Precept charges from 2003 to 2013 for Band G Households.

**9. Village Matters. Information and Discussion.**

- a) As Councillor M. Wilmer was not present Amanda Moon (ACE Secretary) gave an up to date summary of the new Parish Plan. Questionnaires are to be collected in before Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup>. So far 60 returns had been received out of 300 issued. Many contained positive comments. The most popular were concerns about speeding.
- c) The ACE Report was distributed. This will go on all four Village notice boards.
- d) The Clerk reported no further progress on the Defibrillator in the Golf Club. Discussion took place about a suitable siting for this in Castle Eden. The Clerk was asked to find out if the one at the Golf Club is available for use within the Village.
- e) BN said that the posts taken up from the War memorial for Remembrance Sunday were rotted. It was agreed not to replace these and the chains joining them and to have the holes filled in. Amanda Moon said that volunteers agreed to cut the grass around the War memorial. IB said that Durham County Council cut the grass at this site.
- f) The Clerk announced that he is to retire as parish Clerk following sixteen years in the job. The post is to be advertised as soon as possible.

**10. Any Additional Urgent items of Business**

There were none.

Date of next Meeting. Thursday April 18th 2013





