

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CASTLE EDEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER 2016**

Present:

Councillor B Turnbull (Chair)
Councillors D Martin and M Colborn

Also Present

Mrs A Moon – ACE, PCSO Goodwin

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were submitted on behalf of Councillors M Wilmer, B Robertson and Mrs V Robertson. County Councillors Crute and Pounder.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Martin declared an interest in Item 8.

3. **POLICE REPORT**

PCSO Goodwin advised that there had been 34 incidents since the last meeting. There had been 2 thefts of oil and one male had been arrested. There had been 20 road A19 related incidents. There had also been two suspicious incidents, a male suspected poaching near to Sheraton and a possible bogus workmen offering sale of 'excess' tarmac which could have been an excuse to scout out farms for later visits.

There had been no incidents reported concerning the slip road or the double roundabout, apart from one incident concerning a car bonnet at the side of the A19 near to the south bound slip road. There was also a vehicle abandoned near to the exit of the north bound slip road but this was parked on private land and off road.

Crime was down 62% and incidents down 7%.

Councillor Turnbull queried if the Police were made aware of any unreported accidents via insurance companies. PCSO Goodwin explained that he would speak to the Traffic Management Officer at HQ.

Councillor Colborn queried if stolen sheep should be reported. PCSO Goodwin advised that all thefts should be reported.

RESOLVED that the information given be noted.

4. **THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** held on **15 SEPTEMBER 2016**, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member were approved and signed by the Chair.

5. **MATTERS ARISING**

Wildflowers

The Clerk advised that DCC had advised that a site visit could be undertaken to discuss suitable sites for wildflowers to be planted. Further information from neighbouring Council's could be sought. A Community Grant up to £500 from "Its your neighbourhood" could be applied for.

Speed Visor

DCC had requested a site assessment from a supplier regarding the solar signs as the solar panels may not provide sufficient energy at the location to re-energise the sign batteries and ensure the sign worked.

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There were no County Councilors present.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

8. PLANNING PROPOSALS

Consideration was given to the following planning application:

- a) DM/16/02982/TCA Felling, Removal and Replacement of 1 No Alder Tree, 1 No Beech Tree and 2 No Sycamore Trees at Electric House Stockton Road Castle Eden

RESOLVED that concerns be expressed regarding the removal of the trees with the lack of supporting documentation regarding why they were required to be removed. It was felt that applicants should provide justification as to the reason for removal.

- b) DM/16/03027/TCA Partial crown reduction to overhanging branches, 3m reduction of branch towards adjacent properties and 5m height clearance over driveway of adjacent property to 1no. Ash Tree at Eden Grove House St James Fields Castle Eden

RESOLVED that no objection be made.

- c) DM/16/03176/FPA Conversion of garage into habitable room, erection of balustrade to existing first floor terrace area and alterations to existing openings at Broxholme Stockton Road Castle Eden

RESOLVED that concerns be expressed regarding the visual impact of the balustrade. It was felt that it was not in keeping with the art deco style of the building.

9. FINANCE REPORT

Balance at Bank as at 19 September	£16,279.04
Clerks Salary/expenses	£542.32
HMRC	£121.26
Alphagraphics	<u>£110.00</u>
Balance at Bank	<u>£15,505.46</u>

10. EXTERNAL AUDITOR REPORT

The Clerk gave details of the External Auditors Report. There were no issues highlighted by the external auditors. The notice of audit had been displayed as requested.

RESOLVED that the information given be noted.

11. **VILLAGE MATTERS**

(i) **ACE Report**

The key points from the last ACE meeting were circulated.

(ii) **Proposed Crematorium**

The appeal hearing had been re-arranged for 10 November 2016 at 10am in the Village Hall

(iii) **Signage**

A number of signs had appeared in The Village area and concern had been expressed if they were allowed in a Conservation Area. The signage suggested that residents perceived there to be a speeding issue.

RESOLVED that information be sought as to erecting signs in a Conservation Area.