

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
CASTLE EDEN PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON THURSDAY 17 JANUARY 2019**

**Present:**

Councillor Mrs M Wilmer (Chair)

Councillors B Turnbull, D Martin Mrs L Taylor

Also Present:

1 resident

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors M Colborn and Mrs J Welch and County Councillors Crute and Pounder.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councilor Martin declared an interest in Item 8a.

**3. POLICE REPORT**

There was no report from the Police.

**4. THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** held on **15 November 2018**, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member were approved and signed by the Chair.

**5. MATTERS ARISING**

The Clerk advised that there had been a recent car accident on the B1281.

**6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

There were no County Councillors present.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

**8. PLANNING PROPOSALS**

Consideration was given to the following planning application

**a) DM/18/03586/FPA Proposed dwelling at Eden Vale Cottage, Stockton Road, Castle Eden**

The application is an infill housing which would have a detrimental impact on neighbouring properties. Bleachery Lane which leads to the property was in an extremely poor state of repair.

**RESOLVED** that an objection be made.

**b) DM/19/00059/TCA Section 211 notice for the felling of two Leylandii cypres trees (labelled T2 and T3 on plan protected by a conservation area at Ropery House, Stockton Road, Castle Eden**

The application was for information only.

**RESOLVED** that the information given be noted.

**9. PRECEPT 2019/20**

The Clerk advised that the notification of the Tax Base and request for Precept for 2019/20 had now been received from Durham County Council. The Clerk circulated an estimate of income and expenditure for 2019/20. The Clerk advised that the LCTRS grant applicable to the Council was £0.

Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the 2019/20 budget be set at £10,400 comprising a Precept of £10,400 and Local Council Tax Support Scheme grant of £0 which equated to a Band D charge of £33.33.

**10. FINANCE REPORT**

Balance as per bank reconciliation as at 5 December was £21,784.01  
Bank statements were viewed by the Chair

**Invoices for Endorsement of Payment**

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
Clerk	Expenses	£55.20	000630
Clerk	Microsoft renewal	£59.99	000630

**11. VILLAGE MATTERS**

**a) ACE Report**

The key points from the last ACE meeting were circulated.

**12. ANY ADDITIONAL URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**Speed Visors**

Discussion ensued regarding the provision of speed visors in the village. It was suggested that a visor could be purchased that could be moved at different locations throughout the village. Police research had shown that speed visors were only effective for approximately 2 weeks.

The recent traffic survey had identified a number of measures that were required, for example, updated road markings which included dragons teeth and rumble strips, cutting back of vegetation and clean up of road signs.

It was suggested that a meeting be arranged with Officers from DCC and Crime and Victims Commissioner once the type of speed visor required had been identified for purchase.

**RESOLVED** that the information given be noted.