

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
CASTLE EDEN PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON THURSDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2021**

**Present:**

Councillor Mrs M Wilmer (Chair)

Councillors M Carling and D Gordon

Also Present:

1 resident

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor Mrs Taylor and Welsh and County Councillors Crute and Deinali.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. POLICE REPORT**

There was no report received.

- 4. THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** held on **21 October 2021**, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member were approved and signed by the Chair.

**5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

There were no County Councillors present.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Publication of Chester le Street, Durham City, Sniperley, Newton Aycliffe, Peterlee, Stanley and Three Towns (Crook, Tow Law and Willington) Masterplans**

DCC was consulting on a number of draft masterplans which set out the vision and general principles for the future development of each of the settlements and outlined their challenges and opportunities.

It was noted that it was disappointing that Castle Eden was not included.

**RESOLVED** information given be noted.

**7. PLANNING PROPOSALS**

There were no planning applications.

8. **FINANCE**

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
Alphagraphics	Printing	£68.93	000689
Clerk	Salary	£529.57	000690
Clerk	Expenses	£55.80	000690
HMRC	Income tax	£132.39	000691

Balance as per bank reconciliation as £31,582.12

Bank statements were viewed by the Chair

9. **PARISH COUNCILLOR DISPENSATION**

S85 of the Local Government Act 1972 applies to all Councillors. This provides that Councillors who have not attended a meeting in any 6 month period since their last attendance automatically cease to be a member of the Council. The Act provides that this automatically applies unless the failure to attend was a reason approved by the Council

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Taylor be granted a dispensation for non-attendance at a meeting due to a family bereavement.

10. **VILLAGE MATTERS**

- a) **ACE Report** - There had been no meetings due to Covid.
- b) **Speed Visor** – Electricity had been installed to the visor but not yet connected. Councillor Crute was seeking further information on a date for it to go live.