

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CASTLE EDEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2023**

Councillor Mrs M Wilmer (Chair)

Councillors D Gordon, L Taylor and Mrs J Welch

Also Present: 1 resident

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. POLICE REPORT

There was no police report submitted.

4. THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING held on **21 July 2023**, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member were approved and signed by the Chair.

5. MATTERS ARISING

Memorial Bench – following the site visit it was agreed to have 2 memorial benches adjacent to the war memorial. A quote to have the war memorial cleaned had been sought.

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no report.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

8. PLANNING PROPOSALS

DM/23/02665/TCA T1. Lime - prune back branches on building side of canopy by 3m clearing building and phone line as part of reduction. Crown lift over drive to 3m at White Barn, The Village, Castle Eden

RESOLVED that no objection be made.

Open Cast Site – Hesleden

DCC planning committee had refused the application to extend the open cast site at Hesleden due to the environmental impact it had on the residents and the surrounding area.

9. FINANCE

Balance as per bank reconciliation as £42,333.10

Bank statements were viewed by the Chair

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
Roadware	Grit Bin	£119.94	000723
Mr Hardman	Grass cutting	£35.00	000724
Clerk	Salary	£580.32	000725
Clerk	Expenses	£61.20	000725
HMRC	Income tax	£145.08	000726

10. VILLAGE MATTERS

- a) Village Signs – the tourist sign could be applied for and fit the criteria of recreational facilities and sporting venues. Cost of the application was £200.

RESOLVED that an application be made.

- b) AAP – DCC were consulting on budget proposals for 2024/25 as well as how they would meet the financial challenges over the next 4 years.
Resilience Planning – recent storms had highlighted that resilience planning was required. Parish Councils would be asked to be part of the resilience planning.

- c) Bollards outside Castle Eden Inn – the bollards outside the public house were damaged.

RESOLVED that the bollards be reported.