

CATTERLEN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES 86

A Meeting of the above Council took place on Wednesday 15th November 2023, in the Village Hall, Newton Reigny, at 7.30 p.m.

APOLOGIES were received from Cllrs. J. Elliott., D. Bell. and Mrs. T. Clementson.

PRESENT. Cllrs. A. Blackburn. (chairman). K. Monaghan., D. Booker., A. Coleman.

W&F Councillor. Mr. C. Atkinson., and the clerk. F. P. Barbour.

MINUTES of the last Parish Council Meeting were read, approved and signed by the chairman A. Blackburn.

MATTERS ARISING. Casual Vacancy, New Councillor Mr Andrew Coleman signed the prescribed acceptance of office document. The clerk reported contact with Anesco regarding overdue payment of the Community grant. Anesco assured the clerk that the matter would be completed in the next 7 days. Cllr. A. Coleman presented a report having attended the recent public meeting concerning issues and proposals made by the CEO of Omega Proteins.

CORRESPONDENCE. An invoice with respect to grass cutting in the churchyard and play area was received from Mr. W. Martindale in the sum of £ 840.00. A cheque was completed in payment which will be forwarded together with a letter of appreciation for the excellent manner of his work during the cutting season. A request from GNAAS for grant aid was received, it was agreed to donate grant aid of £300.00, a cheque was completed accordingly. To be forwarded with an offer of siting a collection point in the Newton Trailers Depot, for donated articles. The clerk reported notification from NALC regarding a recent salary increase of 3.88% dated from 01.04.23.

PLANNING MATTERS. A retrospective Application ref:- 23,0657. for a Lawful Development Certificate, at Spring Fort Newton Reigny, CA11 0AY for siting of a Static Caravan. In the name of Mrs. M. Gladstone. The Parish Council agreed to forward the following observations. 1. The Static Caravan has been sited outside the proper curtilage of Spring Ford House. 2. It has been noted that extensive access works, excavation, and tree removal, have been undertaken prior to this application, resulting in major changes to the original access layout. 3. The Catterlen Parish Council expresses concerns regarding the Static Caravans present, and future use.

Applications ref:- 23/020 and 23/022 were examined regarding retrospective approvals for change of use of former educational use, to Class B8 storage also change of use of former educational use to Class E commercial and business services at Newton Rigg Campus. The Parish Council had no objection to either application.

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A retrospective Planning Application ref:- 23/0721 regarding change of use of former car park including erection of a 2.5 meter palisade perimeter fence at Newton Rigg Campus to a Class B8 storage area. The Parish Council examined this application, having received a letter of objection from the residents of the adjacent properties on the Drive, Newton Rigg. With particular regard to the erection of a 2.5 meter visual obstruction. Also noise pollution during periods of morning, day and evening. The Parish Council reinforces the concerns of these residents, in what can be regarded as a reduction of the Amenity Value of these properties. The Parish Council agreed that the concerns outlined above should be properly addressed before any approvals are granted. The clerk was instructed to forward these concerns to F&WC.

A Planning Application ref:- 23/0726 regarding removal of an existing detached garage, and erection of a front, side, and rear extension to form bedroom and storage room. At Dunrovin, Catterlen, CA11 0BQ the Parish Council was in agreement with this application.

HIGHWAYS. Concerns were noted with regard to condition of the Catterlen to Laithes Bridge Diversion, currently in place due to indefinite road closure at Catterlen Hall Foot bridge. Also reports of badly damaged highway verges in Catterlen Village. It has been noted that vehicles travelling on the recent 40 mph restriction B5305 are disregarding the signs, the Parish Council agreed that, on the tarmac roundels showing large scale 40 would be appropriate.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. The matter of having prescribed Parish Council Meeting dates set out for the calendar year, was raised. Historically Catterlen Parish Council meetings have taken place, a minimum of four meetings per year. On dates agreed by the Chairman according to having any appropriate business to transact.

There being no other business to transact the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.40 p.m.

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