

CASTLE ACRE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the village hall on Thursday 10 March 2016:

Present: Mr T Hubbard (TH) Mr N Patrick (NP)
Mr L Fisher (LF) Vice-Chairman Mr S Allen (SA)
Mr J Moriarty (JM)

In attendance: Ms L Roast (Clerk)

Apologies: Mrs H Breach (HB), Mr R Read (RR), Ms C Williams (CW),
Mr M Hickey (MH) Chairman

- 125 SAM2 Speed data presented by Sporle Parish Council Vice Chairman Calvin McLeod**
Mr McLeod has downloaded the data for December and January and discussed results with the Council. He believes that some of the previous data has been wiped as the memory has already been downloaded. He is still learning the intricacies of the system which still has issue with retaining the correct time and date. Both Parish Councils are learning how best to collect and interpret the data. Mr McLeod believed that the most relevant data is that of individual vehicles exceeding the 30mph limit. The current output format of hourly average speeds is less useful. He is in contact with a representative of the SAM2 manufacturers to learn how to download the relevant data. MH has recorded the date and time of where the unit was situated in Castle Acre. It was clearly seen on the data that in the first week cars regularly came into the village over 30mph (highest logged 42mph) but by the end of the first week speeds had reduced. Mr McLeod suggested that both PC's use the same padlocks to simplify handover of the unit between PCs. Castle Acre PC have received a memorandum that requires the Chairman to complete.
- 126 Minutes of PC meeting Thursday 11 February.**
Mr Jim Moriarty proposed approval, Mr Tim Hubbard seconded. Agreed.
- 127 Actions from previous meeting:**
- 61 **Bailey Gate posts** –Highways have repositioned posts. Historic England HE (formerly English Heritage) has informed the PC that a new information panel is to be erected.
Bailey Gate repairs - still awaiting repair but Will Fletcher HE chasing.
- 73 **Transparency code** – funding to the amount of £365 received from NALC. Website has been updated and awaiting comments.
- 84 **Defibrillator emergency alerting procedure** –LF has looked into an emergency alerting procedure, which appears not include the option of phoning 999 for the defibrillator code in the East Anglian NHS Trust. Following discussion following suggestions were made: Notice board located by the cabinet which would include postcode and reminder to phone 999. Purchase of a 'Pay as You Go' phone with a recorded message giving the code to get into the cabinet. Locating the unit at Costcutters within the view of the security cameras. LF provided the Clerk with background NHS information. The cabinet has not yet been received.
- 112 **Parking on St James' Green** – Cones have been moved to prevent the green being churned up. Some cars are still being parked on the green. Physical deterrent, such as posts, discussed but PC not in favour. Suggested that PC write to all residents on St James Green reminding them that the greens are owned by Holkham, and that residents do not have the right to park on them. Draft letter to be prepared for April meeting.
Allotment boundary - Clerk meeting with David Robinson to discuss the fence line and any resolve any problems on 11 March 16.

- 117 **South Acre Road Tree work** – Clerk contacted Holkham who was sending out the tree expert to take a look. The PC reported that some activity had been seen on the 10th March.
- 118 **Speedwatch Group** – The Clerk reported that all volunteers had been contacted but 2 of the 7 volunteers had pulled out of the group, and another 2 had not replied. Defer decision on future until April meeting.
- Inappropriate front door in high Street** –JM has been in touch with the planning department at BCKLWN who advised that as no planning permission is was required in this case, that they have no powers over the style, material or colour of the door. He has reported this to the concerned residents. Note to go in Nar Valley News.
- 121 **Orchard Lane HGV vehicles** – The Clerk put a note in Nar Valley News asking for residents to take note of any activity and to make a note of the vehicle registration etc. No new activity has been reported.

128 **Health & Safety** – Nothing to report

129 **Matters requested by Councillors.**

Anglia Water pumping Station Works, Back Lane – Land has been auctioned off and it is expected that any ensuing issues will be resolved shortly.

130 **Planning**

Mr Jim Moriarty opted out of the discussion.

16/000119/F – 3 stone Barn covered BBQ area and extension to sliding folding doors..
Plans for the proposed amendments were displayed and explained. Cllrs voted to support.

131 **Correspondence**

Blocked track of Orchard Road –This track has been ploughed. Holkham has checked and confirmed with the NCC that the track was not a Public Right of Way. The former un-ploughed area used as a track was the boundary when the field was farmed by 2 separate farmers.

Renovation of River Nar and path along Minn’s Meadow– Notification had been received from Charles Rangeley-Wilson that funding had become available from the Internal Drainage Board (IDB) for work on the river bed, to improve the flow of the river. This would involve digging ‘borrow’ pits for gravel. If there is surplus gravel, this could potentially be used to improve the pathway adjacent to the river (nearest to Ford). Mr Rangeley-Wilson suggested that a boardwalk path would be the best option in the long-term; however, currently there is no funding for this. There may be potential for local fund raising scheme. The Fishing Club has offered a two day fishing pass to assist fund raising. Holkham may also help with funding. The PC agreed that a board walk was the best long-term solution, and agreed with the fundraising idea in principle.

Castle Car park Bin - £250 had been received from Historic England (English Heritage) towards the bin. JM to start the process of procuring the Stocks Green bins.

Marham open day event - RAF Marham will be holding an information ‘drop in’ event in the Sandringham Centre on Wednesday 16th March from 1400 – 1800hrs, to provide information regarding the development of RAF Marham in preparation for the arrival of the new Lightning II aircraft arriving at the base in 2018. Poster put at Costcutters and on Stocks Green.

Playing Field Committee – The Clerk has passed on an e-mail and application form to CAPFC members regarding their application for charity relief. BCKLWN were about to start recovery proceeding for unpaid business rates.

FCC Recycling bottle bins - from 13th March 2016, FCC Environment will no longer be providing a glass recycling collection service to the bin at the Ostrich. In future this service will be provided by Berryman’s, via their local service provider Indigo.

Service enquiries; Indigo – 01842 820804 Berryman’s – 07787 577028

Billing and contract details - Berryman’s – 07787577028

Newton Road water meadows – As part of Holkham stewardship over the Water Meadows, they are obliged to allow grazing to keep the land in order. Holkham intend to graze a handful of cattle on the water meadows at some point this year. They are aware there should be no damage to the River Nar and will clarify the procedures with Natural England.

132 Reports

Highways – Rangers have cleared the parking bay in High Street. Waiting for Holkham to approve the cutting of hedge roots for grips along Archer Lane.

Castle Acre School – no report

Friends of Castle Acre School - no report

Village Hall – The Community Payback Unit are still making improvements to the hall. A series of four concerts has been organised for this year – first on Friday May 6th with Kora player Sefo Kanuteh.

Castle Acre Playing Field – no report.

Borough Council – George Nobbs appearing on The Politics Show in Anglia area on Sunday discussing Devolution.

133 Accounts

The following cheques were signed - payments were proposed for approval by Tim Hubbard, Neil Patrick seconded. Agreed.

FCC Recycling (UK) Ltd £34.90 (includes VAT £5.82)

E.on Energy (electricity) £59.27 (includes VAT of £2.82)

134 Village Maintenance

Alleyway from North Street into the Playing Field – tree work to start in March.

Newtown Road – Ditch and pump clearance has been completed.

Newton Road hedge – re-scheduled for cutting next season Sept 1 – Feb 28.

Bailey Street / Cuckstool Lane light – 15 houses have been sent a letter asking for approval or objection for the light to be turned off at 12pm midnight every day. 6 approvals received.

Horse in Priory Field – The Clerk to inform Holkham.

Dead Deer in Common Lane – The Clerk to inform Holkham.

135 Public Question Time – no questions

The meeting closed at 8.50pm. The next full Parish Council meeting is at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th April in the village hall.