

CASTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING: 25th AUGUST 2016, CASTLETON VILLAGE HALL

In attendance: Cllr. N. Fisher (Chair), Cllr. N. Topping, Cllr. N. Garrow, Cllr. P. Dale and Cllr. B. Moorhouse.

Also in attendance: 170 plus residents, Cllr. Jocelyn Street, Cllr. Jim Perkins, Mr Tony Ashton

Meeting commenced 7.05pm.

01/08/16 No apologies were received from Parish Councillors.
Cllr. Sarah Helliwell sent her apologies.

02/08/16 No declarations of personal or pecuniary interests or requests for dispensations were received from Members as to any items to be discussed.

03/08/16 **Public Participation:**

The reason for the high number of residents present is the proposed traffic regulation order and after thanking everyone for coming the Chairman opened the discussion with a summary of what was being proposed. He then explained that the Parish Council had been in touch with Derbyshire County Council to voice their concerns and to ask them to attend the meeting tonight, however in a follow up telephone call with one of the councillors they said they hadn't received our communication. He then asked residents to have their say. There were a number of concerns raised including the fact that people will try to park for free and this will mean parking on some of the narrower lanes making it difficult for residents to access their homes and for emergency vehicles to get through. The amount of congestion there will be at busy times and local traders, the Church, caving club and the village hall will be affected if it is difficult and expensive to park. There are residents who don't have any parking on their property and have to park on the road, workers will be priced out of their jobs due to the new charges and if buses can't get through will they withdraw their services were just a few. It was also pointed out that it wasn't cost effective to install and maintain the meters. There were some ideas that might improve the scheme for example allow the first 30 minutes to be free, continue with weekend and bank holiday parking which one resident commented was acceptable. There were also some ideas around actions that could be taken to help, legal action, support from other affected Councils/Parish Councils, publicity, approach the local press and there were offers of help and support from Tony Ashton, Cllr. Jocelyn Street and Cllr. Jim Perkins with some of these. There was call for the Parish Council to be decisive in its actions and to ask if there were any volunteers who could help with areas of expertise. The Chairman responded that this meeting is a starting point and that from this a plan of action will be formed. He then asked for any offers of help and suggested that willing volunteers should put their names on a list on the way out. This part of the meeting was then brought to a close with the Chairman thanking everyone for attending and participating.

04/08/16 **Proposed Traffic Regulation Order**

Following the discussion above, the consideration of concerns emailed to the Parish Council circulated prior to the meeting and a further discussion taking into account the comments raised earlier, it was agreed that the following actions will be carried out (prop. NG, sec. PD, unan.):-

1.The Parish Council (Councillor Fisher and Councillor Topping) are to write to Mike Ashworth at Derbyshire County Council notifying him of the reasons they are against these proposals and to request an extension to the consultation period of one month. A copy of this letter will be sent to Dean Collins, as suggested by Councillor Street.

2.Councillor Moorhouse will look into comments made by Shadow Cabinet Member for Highways, Simon Spencer to see if anything useful to our cause can be lifted from them.

3.Publicity - Councillor Garrow will contact resident, Angela Darlington to discuss publicity and start work on this aspect of the campaign. He will also see what help can be gained through other leads. Councillor Jim Perkins has offered to help by approaching contacts he has at High Peak Radio and asking them to do an interview with Norman Fisher.

4.Legal Response – Councillor Garrow to liaise with Tony Ashton, Head of High Peak Borough Council. A copy of the correspondence mentioned in point 1 will also be sent to Mr Ashton by the clerk.

5.Meeting with Derbyshire County Council – a meeting with DCC, asking them to provide their studies and evidence will be requested in the correspondence mentioned in point 1 above. The Parish Council will begin to look at collating evidence to show how the economy will be damaged.

6.Contact other Parish Councils – the Parish Councillors will attend the Hope Valley meeting at the beginning of September where they will be able to discuss these issues with other Parish Councils and gauge if there is support from them for working together.

7.Updates – regular updates will be posted on the village website.

05/08/16 **Finance:**

A: Payment by cheque of the following invoiced items was approved and instructed (Prop. NT, Sec. NG, unan.):-

- i) Castleton Village Hall £18.00
- ii) Grant Thornton – Audit Fees - £240.00
- iii) Roy Robinson – hosting the village website, years 2015/16 and 2016/17 - £100.00
- iv) Northend Creative Print – printing of the Peveril Post - £286.00

B: There were no further payments to be considered.

06/08/16 **Planning:**

Ai)NP/HPK/0816/0739 – Castle Hotel, Castle Street, Castleton – External painting and re-painting of walls and window surrounds. Internal remodelling alterations. Resolved the clerk to notify PDNPA there are no objections to this as long as the colour of the paint is approved by them (prop. BM, sec. NT, unan.).

ii)NP/HPK/0816/0740 – Castle Hotel, Castle Street, Castleton – Listed planning consent - External painting and re-painting of walls and window surrounds. Internal remodelling alterations. Resolved the clerk to notify PDNPA there are no objections to this as long as the colour of the paint is approved by them (prop. BM, sec. NT, unan.).

B: There were no further planning applications to consider.

Meeting closed 9.25pm.