

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
CASTLE EDEN PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON THURSDAY 17 APRIL 2025**

Present: Councillor M Wilmer (Chair)  
Councillors D Gordon and L Taylor

Also Present: 1 resident  
Mary Bell – Labour party candidate

The Chair welcomed Mary Bell who was the Labour party candidate for the Castle Eden and Passfield Ward

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor J Welch.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. POLICE REPORT**

There was no police report.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 March 2025** a copy of which had been circulated to each Member were approved and signed by the Chair.

**5. MATTERS ARISING**

The milestone had been delivered that day and would be installed as soon as possible.

**6. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

There was no report.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was none.

**8. PLANNING MATTERS**

DM/25/00747/FPA Replace existing conservatory with single-storey rear extension with pitched glazed lantern and various internal alterations at 34 Burdon Walk, Castle Eden

**RESOLVED** that no objection be made.

It was reported that there had been a large extension at Loretta, The Bleachery. A planning application could not be found on the planning portal.

Trees were also being taken down at Station House and there was no planning application on the planning portal.

**RESOLVED** that enquiries be made regarding planning permission for the developments.

9. **FINANCE**

Balance as per bank reconciliation as £37,178

Bank statements were viewed by the Chair

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
CDALC	Subscription	£121.60	000759
Creative Ape	Milestone	£450.00	000760

10. **VILLAGE MATTERS**

a) Proposed Holiday Chalets

Mr Dig is wanting to install holiday cottages on the pit heap site. Residents of Hesleden did not feel that the infrastructure was sufficient and were worried about the bringing of materials to the site.

b) Mini Roundabouts

The traffic at the mini roundabouts was unacceptable at peak times. Enquiries should be continually made until a solution had been agreed.

c) Footpaths

DCC had agreed to repair the footpaths from the war memorial towards The Village, however it was felt that all footpaths should be repaired.

**RESOLVED** that this be reported to DCC via the County Councillors

d) Election

Congratulations was extended to all parish councillors who had been re-elected due to an uncontested election.