

THE CATTERALL CRIER

CATTERALL PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman's Report

The last twelve months have seen us face some very difficult situations and I would like to thank the Councillors for the commitment and support shown over the last year and Gillian and Tim for their hard work and dedicated commitment as the public face of the Parish Council.

It doesn't seem that long ago the World War 1 gate was blessed and now Bloom in Catterall and the Catterall Gardening Club are to help construct a more fitting planted area to display poppies to remember those who gave their lives for us all. They are also starting to do wonderful things around the village and hopefully give Garstang a bit of competition! Stone Cross Garden is starting to take shape and I would like to say thanks to Graham, the Parish Lengthsman from Pilling for helping Tim out with the hard landscaping work.

The Pickerings has been demolished, although no construction work has started. The area does look very different and hopefully it will not become an overgrown eye sore before work commences. The Pickerings grounds always looked so cared for. Recent planning has seen Catterall, along with neighbouring Parishes, take the brunt of large scale applications; I'd like to hope that some joined up common sense approach will prevail in these matters.



The precept has been set and we have kept the increase in line with the standard rate of inflation. We still have the monies from the recent house build in Bowgreave which we are to use for more play equipment on the Queen Elizabeth II playing field, something similar to the one on Kepple Lane, which will be a welcome addition to the children's play area.

The opening of the much anticipated waste recycling facility at Claughton is getting nearer and we hope that it will be a breath of fresh air for those residents who find it difficult to get to either Preston or Lancaster.

Which leaves me only to wish you all well and once again thank you for your continued support and, as we approach the summer, we look forward to the Catterall Gala and the forthcoming children's festivals?

Ian Brayshaw, Chairman of Catterall Parish Council

Catterall Parish Precept

Each year a sum of money called the parish precept is collected through your council tax to fund the work of Catterall Parish Council. A budget is calculated showing the amount needed in the Parish and this is subtracting from income. The precept is invested back into your neighbourhood by the Parish Council to improve facilities and services for you and your neighbours. The Parish Council also applies for grants and devolved services from the principal authorities.

The itemised precept for the year 2015 - 2016 is;

Estimated Income	2015 – 2016		Estimated Payments
Estimated Income	£5,420.96	£34,012.95	Staff Costs
		£1,400.00	Insurance/Subscriptions
		£420.00	Audit
		£4,500.00	Equipment/Parish Maintenance
		£2,300.00	Administration
		£250.00	Training
		£40.00	Advertising
		£900.00	Catterall Crier
		£1,100.00	Section 137/Donations
		£300.00	Christmas Tree
		£50.00	Multi Use Games Area
		£500.00	CCTV
		£5,500.00	Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field Grass cutting
		£50.00	Youth Shelter
		£5,000.00	Environmental Projects
		£300.00	Capital Equipment
		£0.00	
		£2,831.15	Contingencies @5%
Total	£4,134.44	£59,454.10	Total

The precept is the amount needed to carry out the specified work above.

Estimated Income £ 5,420.96

Estimated Payments £59,454.10

Precept -£54,033.14 (Rounded to £54,000)

A household in band D will pay about £68.58 or £1.32 per week,
Catterall Parish Council has kept the increase down to 1pence per week.

**That street light out? That pothole a real nuisance?
That gully blocked and flooding the road?**

Lancashire County Council is responsible for highways and reports can be made online at <http://new.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/fault-search.aspx>
Or ring on **Telephone: 0300 053 0011**

New Facilities for Catterall?

The Parish Council is hoping to provide new facilities at the playing field but we need your ideas.



We have a large expanse of open space that isn't well used and we are hoping that we can secure funding over the next couple of years to provide facilities that will meet the needs of all ages.

We have some ideas of our own – planted and seating areas, facilities for young children and teenagers and a fitness trail – but we need to know what our residents would like to see.

When we have the various ideas that we are sure will come forward Lancashire County Council will help us to draw up a detailed development plan which we will use to apply for grants and other funding. We will phase the development so that we can get on with things once we have enough money for that phase.

One thing you can be sure of is that any plans will ensure that the Gala will be able to continue using the playing field.

There will be plenty of opportunity for you to tell us what you would like to see happen at the playing field. We will be writing to those residents whose property is adjacent to the playing field and holding public meetings, the first being **Tuesday 9th June in Catterall Village Hall between 2.30 and 4.00 and 6.00 and 8.30pm**, but there's no need to wait.

Why not get in touch now.

You can email the Parish Council at clerk@parishes.org.uk or phone on 600689. Alternatively you can fill in the slip below and pass it to either the Clerk, Tim the Lengthsman, any of the parish councillors, details in this newsletter or at the shop on Cock Robin Lane.

**Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field, Catterall
Improvements to facilities**

Name

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Address.....

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Telephone

E-mail Address.....

What do you want to see provided for Catterall Playing Field?

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CATTERALL PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meets on the first Tuesday of the month at Catterall Village Hall at 7.30 pm. and residents are always welcome.

Future Parish Council meetings will be held on;

Tuesday 7th July, 2015 and

Tuesday 4th August, 2015

Your Catterall Parish Councillors

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COUNTY COUNCILLOR FOR GARSTANG

Mrs. Sandra Perkins Tel: 07876 844280

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR LANCASTER AND WYRE

Mr. B. Wallace Tel: 01995 672977

Reporting fly tipping, street sweeping or a missing bin?

Contact Wyre Council on 01253 891000

Online reporting at www.wyre.gov.uk/reportit

Catterall Village Hall

Need a local venue for Children's Party's, Christenings, Family Reunions or a just place to hold a meeting or a class. . . Catterall Village Hall may be what you're looking for, ample car parking facilities and reasonable rates.

If you would like to arrange a viewing, or to check availability of dates and prices;

Please contact Debbie on 01995 602842.

Catterall Sluice, Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field



Improvements to the Calico Mill sluice are well underway, the safety railings have been installed and we await an information plaque, being prepared at the moment by Pilling Pottery, giving a brief background as to why the sluice is here and what it was used for. Did you know that Catterall had a number of calico dyeing mills on Catterall Gates Lane and Duckworth Drive and that the 'potato field' which is skirted by both the Wyre and Calder rivers is the site of the mill pond?

Or that Brunswick was the name of one of the rows of terraced houses and Pymont the name of a cotton mill on the site?

Catterall Gardening Club



This is a new Gardening Club for Catterall and district and is for anyone who takes pleasure in seeing plants grow and thrive. Some gardeners will have greener fingers than others but don't feel that you have to be a Monty Don to join! The club is for all gardening enthusiasts. We will meet at Catterall Village Hall on the third Tuesday of every month from 7pm - 9pm and refreshments are included. Our

programme for 2015 is:

June 16

Alan Wallbank - Trees for smaller gardens.

An experienced tree officer shares his ideas on the varieties available.

July 21

Tim Smith from Lytham - Demystifying your garden.

Tim is a member of the Cottage Garden Society.

August 18

Les Foden from Morecambe - Gardening for Everyone.

He is a well-known, amusing and entertaining speaker.

September 15

Tim Smith returning! - Looking forward to Spring in September.

Hints and tips for getting ready for 2016.

October 20

Supper Special! - This is our end of term social event celebrating our first season as a Gardening Club.

There is an annual membership fee of £15 or visitors can attend a particular meeting at a cost of £3. We will also have a plant sale at each meeting for Club funds and we are hoping that members and visitors will bring along spare plants to sell.

For more information please contact Jan on 01995 604771 or Netta
on 01995 605385 **EVERYONE WELCOME!**