

# THE CATTERALL CRIER

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CATTERALL PARISH COUNCIL

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## Chairman's Report

The Parish Council has done well this year against the budget constraints. The grass cutting contracts have secured that the high standard carried out this year and maintained for the next three years. As part of a section 106 on the affordable housing development in Bowgreave, to which work has just started, Catterall Parish Council is to receive £26,000+, which came as both a surprise and a very welcome addition to continue the work on the playing field.

The demise of the Pickerings Hotel means that Catterall has lost its focal point and there are concerns about the CCTV. The Parish Council is sourcing funding to assist with its re-location. Our Village is excellently maintained and cleaned by Tim and even during the snow he continued to work tirelessly to clear footpaths and managed to grit most.



I'd like to thank the Councillors who represent Catterall Parish Council on outside bodies and maintain Catterall's profile and the Police for their work in the Parish and to thank all the Councillors for their support through the year and the work of Tim the Parish Lengthsman and Gillian our Clerk.

Dave Sharples  
Chairman to the Parish Council

### *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;**

4<sup>th</sup> June, 2<sup>nd</sup> July and 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2013.

## Finance

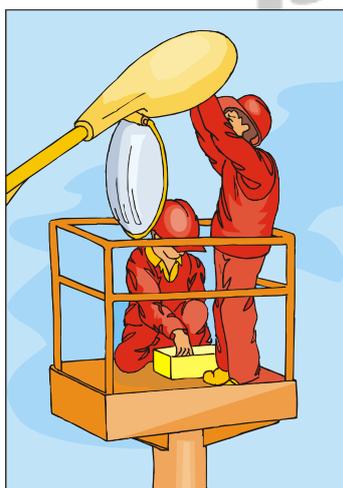
The Parish Council is responsible for proper accounting records, safeguarding the assets and taking steps to prevent fraud and other irregularities. There are accounting policies and procedures in place to mitigate exposure to major risk, which are reviewed annually. The Councillors believe they make reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates. The accounts are a matter of public information and can be viewed at any time.

### Receipts and Payments Account for Catterall Parish Council

Receipts	2012/2013		Payments
Wyre Council Precept	£40,000.00	£26,259.40	Staff Costs
Rural Grant	£3,494.00	£1,887.18	Parish Maintenance
Bank Interest	£63.22	£917.68	Equipment Maintenance
VAT Refund	£2,836.89	£2,581.49	Administration
Grounds Maintenance Contracts	£6,128.10	£2,506.99	CCTV
Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field	£500.00	£3,948.72	Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field
Administration	£845.55	£480.00	Audit
Parish Maintenance Reserve Account	£137.50	£1,751.77	Insurance/Subscriptions
	£10,307.51	£156.00	Christmas Tree
		£931.60	Catterall Crier
		£190.00	Training
		£546.38	Parish Office
		£335.00	Grants/Donations
		£210.71	Election Expenses
	<b>£64,312.77</b>	<b>£42,702.92</b>	

Balance to carry forward as at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2012 - £21,609.85

The Parish Council accounts are due to be audited in June, 2013.



STREET LAMP OUT?

#### Report it!

Lancashire County Council aims to provide a good street lighting repair service. Please report lamps that are not working.

Phone: 0845 053 00 11

Giving: Name of Village, Name of road,  
Number painted on the lighting column  
(or the nearest house number)

## **NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PARISH COUNCILLORS**

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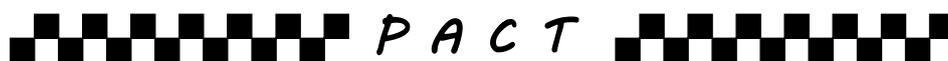
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**Both Lancashire County Councillor and Wyre Councillors attend the monthly meetings; residents with concerns or issues including highways, public footpaths, dog fouling, street sweeping etc. are welcome to raise these matters with the councillors.**



**Parish Council Meetings are preceded by a PACT meeting when residents can discuss Police matters with the Community Beat Manager P C Simon Jones and the PCSO's, responsible for Catterall.**

## **Garstang Police 607834 Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field, Catterall**

For many years the Parish Council has been saving towards the drainage of the Playing Field and this year has gathered sufficient, including a grant from Fields in Trust to enable part of the area to be drained. The football pitch has recently been increased in size and this is the area which has been drained. This will allow organised teams to play on a full sized pitch in the league and give a better surface for the many children and families to have a kick about, without getting 'mucked up'.

Following the drainage Danvic, who carried out the contract, harrowed and spiked the field to facilitate further drainage. Dave Kippax mows the pitch and keeps it looking good and fit to play on. We are also grateful to Whittingham's for the loan of a roller used on the pitch to consolidate the ground.

### **CRAG Meeting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 at 8.15**

At the time of a planning application to build incinerators on the Knackers Yard on Catterall Gates Land the Catterall Residents Action Group was reignited and successfully fought against this application. Many local residents were involved and even more raised funds for the fighting fund. When the application was refused those funds remaining were kept 'just in case'.

The fight involved many many people including the MP, Councillors, residents of Catterall and those further afield who realised the impact the outfall from these chimneys could have on the surrounding towns, villages and countryside.

At a meeting of the CRAG committee a decision was taken to dissolve the committee; now that all threat of the incinerators has gone. Assurances from the landowners were confirmed in October, 2011 and the funds are being distributed to local worthy organisations as determined by the CRAG committee.

Following an advertisement in the Garstang Courier; 12 organisations appealed for funding:

Cock Robin Playgroup	Kirkland and Catterall St. Helen's
Catterall Gala	C of E Primary School
Catterall Parish Council on behalf of	Kirkland Memorial Hall play area.
Catterall Village Hall	Churchtown Festival
Catterall Village Hall Social Club	Boddington Bells Morris Men
Trip to Malawi by local resident	STING - Claughton recycling centre
	Garstang Scouts and Guides

The fund stands at £5,905.32 giving an equal split of £492.11 each.



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