# The Catterall Crier Summer, 2019

Newsletter of Catterall Parish Council

## Catterall Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field

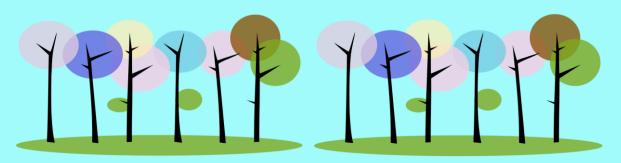
If you've been to the playing field you can't have failed to notice the (now not so) new facilities which were installed over last summer and autumn. It's great to see so many children and adults enjoying the new facilities. So what's left to do?



In addition to the "big ticket" items – the new play areas and the fitness trail – the Masterplan contained a number of smaller, less expensive developments such as a picnic area; paths linking the play areas; a quiet reading area; a sensory path and a nature walk and refurbishment of the Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA).

We do know that we should receive some money from Wyre Council linked to some extra houses being built on the Joe Lane development but, whilst we know that we will receive it, we don't know when as it is linked to the building of the properties.

We have, however, applied for a grant from the Lancashire Environmental Fund which, if we are successful, would allow us to do most of the landscaping items but would not be enough to refurbish the MUGA. We will get to know the outcome of the grant application in mid-July.



#### Message from Catterall Parish Council Chairman Ian Brayshaw

Welcome to the first edition of the Catterall Crier following the parish council elections in May. Seven of the former parish councillors stood for election and were elected unopposed for a four year term of office. We now have three vacancies so, if you are interested in making a difference in Catterall, why not apply (please see the article later in this newsletter). I would like to formally record my thanks to those councillors who retired in the past year for their contribution to the parish council and to the village of Catterall.

It has now been a few weeks since our previous Lengthsman, Tim, retired. I spoke with him recently and he seems busier now that when he was working! We were delighted to have recruited Jonathan as our new Lengthsman and glad that he settled in quickly and has been made welcome by local residents.

The Parish Council precept was agreed in the new year and it appears to have been accepted in the parish. I'm sure that residents can appreciate where their money is being spent and that they get good value for money from the Parish Council, especially with further work on the Queen Elizabeth II playing field planned.

On the subject of the playing field I would like to thank Jan for her continued hard work trying to get grants for all the developments on the playing field and we look forward to work starting on the next phase when the money is available.

As you will know Catterall in Bloom was very successful last year resulting in our entry in "the Nationals" and not just in North West in Bloom this year. That means we have two visits by the judges and Netta and her Bloomers have been hard at work preparing for the first visit in early July. I wish the team every success again this year.

I look forward to supporting the parish council and local residents again in the coming year.

Ian Brayshaw, Chairman, Catterall Parish Council

Lancashire Police operate a notification system called "Stay in the Know",



where the Police,
Neighbourhood Watch,
Lancashire County Council,
Trading Standards and Fire
Service can send messages
about crimes or events, and a
level of community

engagement on certain issues. You can choose the frequency of messages and topics that you are interested in. Sign up for it at

https://www.stayintheknow.co.uk/

### CARDIAC RISK in the YOUNG (CRY)

The Matthew Hesmondhalgh Memorial Fund



After months of planning and help from Catterall Village Hall Committee, the Parish Council & Pr1nt we now have smart clothing recycling bank for our community at Catterall Village Hall. Your donations (preferably bagged please), will go towards funding a CRY heart screening event for 14-35 year olds in this locality.

Our work to raise awareness of Young Sudden Cardiac death and Sudden Arrhythmic Death Syndrome continues, as does the fund raising, and our grateful thanks go to all who supported our stand at the vibrant and colourful annual Gala. It's always lovely to work with other charities and community

groups in the neighbourhood and over the coming months there are several joint events.

#### Upcoming events include:

**July 6th & 7th** Garstang's 2nd Scarecrow Festival. We're joining the fun on Cherestanc Square, with free activities for all ages creating '101 Dalmatians' & more for our community scarecrow display.

**July 10th and 17th** the author of 'A Ramble Round Catterall and District' will be leading a wander round Catterall looking at the past industrial history of the village. The wander is approx. three miles distance and costs just £2. (7.00 to 9.00pm)

#### Booking essential; call 01995 603877

July 12<sup>th</sup> Azcend's Summer Party at The Barn, Scorton, tickets £25 from Azcend, Catterall Lane, with supper and a live band, funds raised will go towards a defibrillator for the Hub & to CRY.

**August 16**<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> together with St Helen's Church, Churchtown, at the Beer & Cider festival we are holding a raffle & 'Craft Beer' game. In the afternoon of Sat 17<sup>th</sup> we also have a 'cake & craft' stall. If you would like to 'create & donate' an item (any medium) we'd love to hear from you.

**September 22**<sup>nd</sup> Everything £1 sale at Catterall Village Hall - lots of bargains! **October 5**<sup>th</sup> Jointly with Kidney Research an Abba Tribute night at Claughton Memorial Hall.

Further details of these events will be advertised in the Focus (aka the green book) & on our face book page.

For further info call/text Paula 07785 106 976, Email paulahez.ph@gmail.com

#### **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 Catterall Parish Council

Receipts	2018/2019		Payments
Wyre Council Precept	£70,000.00	£36,553.97	Staff Costs
Grounds Maintenance	£4,855.97	£6,864.00	Parish/Equipment
Contracts			Maintenance
Administration	£1,212.97	£4,296.37	Administration
Bank Interest	£55.68	£500.00	Audit
Donations	500.00	£3,177.05	Insurance/Subscriptions
Queen Elizabeth II	£208,278.26	£234,198.65	Queen Elizabeth II
Playing Field			Playing Field
VAT Refund	£41,545.08	£1,634.00	Donations
Catterall in Bloom	£2,070.00	£1,759.33	Catterall in Bloom
Playing Field Rentals	£350.00	£115.00	Christmas Tree
		£4,228.70	CCTV
		£169.00	Catterall Crier
		£200.00	Training
		£550.00	Parish Office
Reserves	£77,357.70	£39,999.14	VAT Recoverable
	£406,225.66	£334,245.21	

Balance to carry forward as at 31st March, 2019 - £71,980.45

The Parish Council accounts are audited in July, 2019, by Little John LLP. Residents rights to inspect the accounts is open from 17th June to 26th July

#### Parking on or opposite road junctions

According to the Highway Code; rule 243 drivers cannot stop or park

- > opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space.
- > in front of an entrance to a property
- > on a bend
- > at or near a bus stop
- > obstructing the pavement

#### CATTERALL PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meets on the first Tuesday of the month at Catterall Village Hall at 7.00 pm. and residents are always welcome. Future Parish Council meetings will be held on; Tuesday 6th August, 3rd September and 1st October, 2019.

#### **Your Catterall Parish Councillors**

Mr. lan Christopher Brayshaw, Chairman Tel. 604330

Jan Finch, Vice-Chairman Tel. 07990 893800

Mr. Mark Butler, Tel: 602713

Mrs. Susan Bulman Tel: 602360

**Mr. Simon Kirkman** Tel: 07808 475481

**Mr. Kevin O'Hanlon** Tel: 07968 469756.

Mr. David Sharples, Tel. 603763

#### WYRE BOROUGH COUNCILLOR FOR BROCK AND CATTERALL

Cllr. Mrs. Elizabeth Webster Tel. 01995 604345
Cllr. Shaun Turner: Tel: 0777 5098 532

COUNTY COUNCILLOR FOR GARSTANG

**M. Shaun Turner** Tel: 0777 5098 532

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR LANCASTER AND WYRE

**Mr. B. Wallace** Tel: 01995 672 977



# Meet Catterall's New Lengthsman

Many of you will have seen our new Lengthsman, Jonathan, who was appointed to replace Tim who retired at the end of February.

Jonathan lives in Catterall so has a lot of local knowledge and applied for the job because he has many practical skills and loves working outdoors.

Tim spent his last month at work showing Jonathan the ropes and will keep popping back at different times of the year so that Jonathan gets a full understanding of the various seasonal jobs.

## Catterall Gala

Catterall Gala wishes to thank residents for their kind donations during the Door to Door collections. The Gala was a very successful day with the parade and events on the Queen Elizabeth II playing field entertaining the village for the afternoon and evening. You can follow our facebook page at

https://www.facebook.com/CatterallGala/
for information and photos of the day

The Gala takes a lot of effort to organise, and there are regular meetings from February - May to organise it. If you can spare time to help organise next year's gala, please contact Susan Dewhurst on <a href="mailto:info@catterallgala.co.uk">info@catterallgala.co.uk</a> or call Kev Horner on 07786236328 to register your interest and we will contact you when the planning for next year begins. We will also require help on the day, so again, please register your interest to be notified as we get closer to the day!



Catterall children, who are interested in taking part in the 2020 Gala as Queen, King, or the retinue, are invited to put their names forward. Queen/King - age 9-12, Rosebud - age 4-6, Retinue - age 5 and over; please contact

Deanna on 07828684021, Debbie on 07872015214

## **Catterall Village Hall**

**Need a local venue** for a children's party, Christenings, Family Reunions or a place to hold meetings or classes . . . .

Catterall Village Hall may be just 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



#### **Facebook**

Catterall Parish Council is now on Facebook. Like our page for updates relevant to the village at <a href="http://facebook.com/catterallpc">http://facebook.com/catterallpc</a>

Information on crime, events, roadworks etc. which may affect residents, as well as useful links for other local services.

Posts are typically one or two per week, so don't worry about being bombarded with information!

#### Vacancy in the office of Parish Councillor

Can you make a difference to your community in Catterall?
Catterall Parish Council is seeking residents to become councillors. Councillors are not employees; they are elected or co-opted representatives who volunteer their time for free to work on behalf of their communities. As a Councillor you will engage with the local community and keep up to date with issues of local concern, provide a voice for all section of the community, mediate between individuals and organisations, campaigning on behalf of the Parish Council and residents and manage public funds, whilst seeking best value. There is a legal requirement to attend Parish Council meeting and abide by the Code of Conduct.

If this is you please contact a Parish Councillor or the clerk for an informal discussion.

Please send a short letter or email to say why you want to get involved by the end of July

# Catterall in Bloom - Win a free Hamper in 2019 Our faithful supporters - Dewlay and Booths of Garstang are offering the gardeners of Catterall the chance of winning a hamper this July. Hamper One - Dewlay the Cheesemakers This prize is for the brightest container of Summer flowers at your FRONT DOOR. The container can be any shape, size, old, new, even an old wheelbarrow or a bicycle. Hamper Two - Booths of Garstana This prize is for the most wildlife friendly **FRONT GARDEN**. We are looking for a wildlife patch, bird or bat boxes, hedgehog home, butterfly and insect attracting plants or even a Bee Hotel. The choice is yours. Closing date 19th July, with the Winners contacted 20th July, 2019 Have Fun! Good Luck! Happy Gardening! Catterall in Bloom Win a Hamper Competition 2019 Address Phone ..... Hamper One - Front Door Container

Please return entry form to; Netta Parker, 4, Stones Barn, Stones Lane, Catterall. 605385

Hamper Two - Wildlife Front Garden