

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD AT 7.30 P.M, ON THURSDAY 25TH APRIL, 2002,
AT THE VILLAGE HALL, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr D Thompson - Chairman
 Mr F Colbridge Mr S Dunn Mr C Green Mr K Leggett
 Mr D Little Mrs G Masdin Mrs P Mattocks Mrs A Riches
 Mr R Streeter Mr B Sabberton-Coe Mr M Vincent Miss P Wilkin

Mr G Jeffries – Editor, Parish News
 Mr J Arnott – Parish Tree Warden
 Mr L Austin – Norfolk County Councillor
 P C K Lambert
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The Chairman welcomed everybody to the Meeting.

182. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr K Leggett, Mr B Sabberton-Coe and Mr M Vincent declared an interest in Planning Application 10325 as they were friends of the applicant.

183. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 28.03.2002

The minutes, which had been circulated, were confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

184. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minute 168.2. Queen’s Jubilee. Mrs P Mattocks reported that a Committee had been formed and was organising a walking Treasure Hunt with the theme The History of Old Catton. It was intended to give each participating child a Jubilee mug. There would be teas at the Village Hall after the Treasure Hunt, the proceeds of the teas would be for the fund for the new toilets at the Hall. There would also be a special service in Church, followed by refreshments in the Church Hall. Various donations had been promised.

185. TO ADOPT THE NEW CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS

The adoption of The Code was PROPOSED by Mr K Leggett and SECONDED by Mr S Dunn. It was unanimously AGREED to adopt The Code.

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186. TO ADOPT AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES POLICY

The adoption of the attached Equal Opportunities Policy was PROPOSED by Mrs P Mattocks and SECONDED by Mr C Green. It was unanimously AGREED to adopt the Policy.

187. DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Planning applications. The Committee's recommendations on the attached list of applications were AGREED.

188. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

188.1. Mrs G Masdin PROPOSED and Mrs A Riches SECONDED the confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 11.04.2002. AGREED.

188.2. Cheques, payments and income and comparison with the Budget. It was AGREED that the attached list of vouchers numbered 519 to 585 be approved. The comparison with the budget was noted.

189. DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE, TO CONSIDER PROVISION OF FREE AMENITY SKIPS

Broadland District Council wished to know the Council's views about the possibility of providing skips around the Village to collect household waste and if it would like to participate in a trial scheme. It was AGREED that this would be useful and to volunteer for a trial scheme.

Mr D Thompson reported that Broadland District Council was considering a green waste collection service at a yearly charge. Details would be publicised in due course.

190. CORRESPONDENCE

The attached list was received.

191. VILLAGE HALL

Mrs A Riches reported that the recent coffee morning had raised over £200.00.

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1. Mrs M Charlesworth asked about progress with provision of a sign for Hall Drive. *The Village Hall Committee had been consulted and its comments were awaited.*
2. Mr J Arnott asked about some work at Fifers Lane that appeared to be for another pedestrian crossing. *Enquiries would be made.*
3. Mr P Crisp asked if the Council had been involved with a request for a pedestrian crossing time at the traffic lights at the junction of George Hill with North Walsham Road; he understood that Sprowston Parish Council was very concerned since the recent fatality. *Enquiries would be made.* Mr Crisp noted the progress with the work at the War Memorial.
4. Police Report. P C Lambert gave details of the crime recorded during the last month. He had been asked to deal with problems with youths congregating at the car park at Somerfield supermarket and had asked the residents concerned to make a note of vehicle registration numbers. Arrests had been made for possession of drugs but generally there were no significant problems.

In answer to a question about street crime P C Lambert explained that this was usually carried out by drug addicts in certain areas of the City.

The Chairman thanked P C Lambert.

There being **no further business** the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30 p.m.

Chairman, 30.5.2002