

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL,
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 7.30 P.M.,
ON THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER, 2002,
AT THE PAVILION, RECREATION GROUND, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr D Thompson - Chairman
 Mr F Colbridge 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 – Tree Warden
 5 residents

APOLOGIES: Mr S Dunn
 Mr L Austin – Norfolk County Councillor

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the Meeting.

228. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

229. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 29.08.2002

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

230. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes that were not covered by the agenda.

The meeting was then adjourned for public discussion.

231. FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

231.1. Mrs G Masdin PROPOSED and Mrs P Mattocks SECONDED the confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 5.09.2002. AGREED.

231.2. Matters arising.

Minute 5. Audit. It was PROPOSED by Mrs G Masdin and SECONDED by Mrs A Riches that the Accounts of the year ending 31.03.2002 and the Statement of Assurance be approved by the Council. AGREED.

231. FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

231.2. Matters arising (continued)

Minute 13. Correspondence. Mrs P Mattocks reported that she had attended the AGM of the Citizens Advice Bureau and felt that the Bureau was well organised and used its funds well.

Minute 13. Norwich Cathedral, Tour of Project Sites. Members were invited to attend the tour, either on 15th or 29th October, and to let the Clerk know if they wished to go. Mrs P Mattocks would attend on 29th October.

231.3. White Woman Lane Highway Improvements Traffic calming at Proctor Road. The results of Norfolk County Council's consultation with 560 local households were considered. Of those consulted 62% had responded, 71% favoured option 1, with 17 speed humps in Proctor Road and 26% preferred option 2 (closure of Pioneer Road at North Walsham Road). Mr K Leggett PROPOSED and Mrs G Masdin SECONDED that the Council should support the residents' wishes and back option 1. AGREED.

231.4. Traffic calming at Church Street, Lodge Lane and St Faiths Road. There was no news of when the scheme would be implemented despite efforts to find out what was happening. Members were very concerned and noted residents concerns. It was AGREED to continue to press Norfolk County Council for an answer about this.

It was also AGREED to ask for a speed camera to be deployed at Fifers Lane, between the new roundabout and the junction with St Faiths Road in an attempt to address the speeding issue there. The meeting was disappointed that the nature of the new roundabout at the junction with Ives Road did not deter speeding

231.5. War Memorial, progress and dedication. Some small matters still had to be attended to and Mr Buxton's railings were awaited. A meeting of the ad hoc War Memorial Committee had been held and it had been agreed that the British Legion Committee representatives would fix the date of the dedication, once a completion date was known, and make arrangements with the Vicar.

232. PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

232.1. Mr B Sabberton-Coe PROPOSED and Miss P Wilkin SECONDED the confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 12th September 2002. AGREED.

232.2. Matters arising. Minute 12.2. Mrs P Mattocks and Miss P Wilkin had attended the seminar on Chairmanship at County Hall on 16th September and found it very useful.

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232. Planning and Property Committee (continued)

232.3. Quotations for 6 replacement street lights in Lodge Lane. Two quotations had been received for the new lights – from T T Jones Electrical at £257.50 per light and from Eastern Contracting at £260.00 per light. In addition there would be the cost of service transfers by 24 seven at up to £286.00 per light, this work could not be undertaken by anybody other than 24 seven. It was PROPOSED by Mr B Sabberton-

Coe and SECONDED by Mrs A Riches that T T Jones' quotation be accepted and the work put in hand.

232.4. Quotations for crown thinning 10 trees at the Recreation Ground. It was AGREED to delegate authority to the Planning and Property Committee to accept a quotation for this work and to put the work in hand.

233. VILLAGE HALL

Mrs A Riches reported that the Management Committee would be meeting soon. A list of fund raising events was circulated.

234. NORWICH AIRPORT

Mr K Leggett reported that the next meeting of the Consultative Committee would take place on 7th October 2002.

235. VACANCY FOR GOVERNOR OF LODGE LANE SCHOOL

It was AGREED to exclude the public and press in order to discuss this matter.

Three residents had written, with brief details about themselves, offering their services as the Minor Authority Governor of Lodge Lane First School. It was AGREED that the person appointed should be willing to undertake training courses. The governors had asked if they could be involved in the selection of the governor as they hoped to gain somebody to complement the strengths they already had. It was AGREED that, subject to the agreement of the three applicants, two Councillors should meet with representatives of the governors to select the Minor Authority Governor. It was AGREED to delegate authority to the Finance and Policy Committee to deal with this.

There being **no further business** the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.20 p.m.

Chairman, 31.10.2002