

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL,**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 7.30 P.M.,**  
**ON THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2002,**  
**AT THE PAVILION, RECREATION GROUND, CHURCH STREET**

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

P C K Lambert  
Mr G Jeffries – Editor, Parish News  
Mr L Austin – Norfolk County Councillor  
Mr J Arnott – Tree Warden  
24 residents

**APOLOGIES:** Mr D Little

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the Meeting.

**215. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**216. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 25.07.2002**

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

**217. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Minute 209.2. Slide in play area. The new slide had been installed and the concrete blocks removed. All the sand pits around the play equipment would be filled.

**218. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATIVES**

Each Councillor had expressed a preference for committee membership, which was AGREED as per the attached list. It was AGREED to re-elect the representatives on the Airport Consultative Committee (Mr K Leggett), for bus liaison (Mr F Colbridge) and on the Village Hall Management Committee (Mrs G Masdin and Mrs A Riches) en bloc.

The meeting then adjourned for public discussion.

## **219. DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

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

219.2. Application for mobile phone mast at the corner of White Woman Lane and Spixworth Road. It was unanimously AGREED to object to this application as it was very close to dense housing, two schools and on the route used to reach the schools.

## **220. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

220.1. Mrs G Masdin PROPOSED and Mrs A Riches SECONDED the confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 8.08.2002. AGREED.

220.2. Matters arising.

Minute 308. Item 3. Post Office closure. The Post Office in Burma Road would be closing on 31<sup>st</sup> August and the letterbox taken out of use. The owner had only given one months notice. It was understood that Post Office Ltd. was looking for another site as well as considering not replacing the facility. Members were very concerned and felt that a post office was essential. It was AGREED to write to the Post Office expressing the view that a post office was needed and that the Somerfield site would be the first choice as it offered unlimited free car parking and residents already used the site for other shopping. The provision of another letterbox in Burma Road would also be requested.

Minute 309.1. Traffic calming. Mr L Austin had reported on the delay in starting the work, during public discussion. Wimpey Homes and Norfolk County Council had not been in agreement about the extent and the cost of the calming measures decided upon as a result of the consultation exercise. However, the consultants dealing with the scheme on behalf of Norfolk County Council had assured Mr L Austin that the negotiations were almost complete.

Minute 309.2. Junction of St Faiths road with Fifers Lane. Mr K Leggett wished to remind members of the option of a mini roundabout that would be reviewed annually.

220.3. Cheques, payments and income and comparison with the Budget. It was AGREED that the attached list of vouchers numbered 125 to 172 be approved. The comparison with the budget was noted.

220.4. War Memorial. The old Memorial had been taken down and the new memorial tablets placed on the wall on 28<sup>th</sup> August. The pointing around the tablets had yet to be done. Residents had been very complimentary about the new Memorial Wall. Mrs G Masdin thanked Mr D Thompson for the considerable amount of time he had given to supervise the work.

## **221. RECREATION GROUNDS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

221.1. Miss P Wilkin PROPOSED and Mr S Dunn SECONDED the adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2002. AGREED.

221.2. Fencing at Lavare Park. It was AGREED to delegate this matter to the Planning and Property Committee.

## **222. VACANCY FOR GOVERNOR OF LODGE LANE SCHOOL**

The vacancy was being advertised in the Parish News.

## **223. AGM WITH BROADLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL ON 8.10.2002**

It was AGREED that Mr F Colbridge, Mr K Leggett and Mrs G Masdin would represent the Council. It was AGREED to ask for information about the progress of the Local Plan and disposal of green waste.

## **224. NCAPTC, AGM ON 12.10.2002**

It was AGREED that Mr S Dunn would represent the Council.

## **225. CORRESPONDENCE**

The attached list was received. It was AGREED to thank Mrs Reeve for her regular reports of the Governors of the Church Street Middle School.

## **226. VILLAGE HALL**

The tenders for the new toilets had been opened, the lowest tender was being checked by the architect.

## **227. NORWICH AIRPORT**

Mr K Leggett reported on the meeting of the Consultative Committee on 29<sup>th</sup> July. The sale of the ownership of the airport was proceeding and the matter of the site for engine testing would depend on the new owners. The development of Site 2 was on hold pending traffic studies being carried out. The White Paper was being debated.

Mr D Thompson reported that the Airport Advisory Committee had also been discussing the above issues. It had been acknowledged that increased passenger numbers could be achieved by the use of bigger but quieter aircraft.

There being **no further business** the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45 p.m.

Chairman, 26.9.2002