

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL,
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY 13TH OCTOBER, 2005,
AT 7.30 P.M., AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mrs G Masdin - Chairman
 Mrs A Chandler Mr C Green Mrs A Riches
 Mr D Thompson Mr M Vincent Miss P Wilkin
 Mrs J Williams

APOLOGIES: Mr A Lovett Mr B Sabberton-Coe

As the first agenda item was a whole Council matter Mr D Thompson took the Chair and welcomed everybody to the meeting. He welcomed Mrs Masdin back following her recent absence due to illness.

30. PARISH PLAN, ACTION PLAN

Mr M Vincent had studied the Action Plan and made various suggestions which were thoroughly discussed. It was AGREED to take the points and set them out in a Policy Statement which would be reviewed at the next meeting. It was also AGREED that both the actions and the timescales should be reviewed annually. The Chairman thanked Mr M Vincent for all the work he had done in preparing the proposed responses to the Action Plan.

Mr M Vincent and Mr C Green left the meeting.

Mrs G Masdin took the Chair.

31. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

32. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 8.9.2005

The minutes were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

33. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minute 26. The final internal audit report was received; it took into account and incorporated the responses made to the draft report.

34. FINANCE, CHEQUES, PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS, COMPARISON WITH BUDGET

34.1. The attached lists of vouchers numbered 285 - 350, with payments totalling £26,310.84 and receipts of £60,858.68 were approved and the comparison with budget and current account bank reconciliation noted.

35. BUDGET FOR 2006/7

Members were asked to consider the detailed budget at the November meeting. It was noted that reserves were low and that it would not be advisable to use them to balance the budget.

36. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- 36.1. Results of traffic survey at Spixworth Road and Church Street. The results of the survey had been received. They gave details of the number of vehicles and average speed analysed on an hourly basis over a two week period. It was AGREED to ask Mr C Green to study the statistics and report back.
- 36.2. Rural Speed Reduction Initiative. It was noted that the Speed Awareness Message (SAM) vehicle had been operating in the Village recently.

37. CORRESPONDENCE

The attached list was received and discussed.

38. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that Dr I Gibson MP had accepted the invitation to attend a Council meeting on 24th November to answer questions about traffic and speeding in the Village. This would be at the beginning of the meeting and discussion would be restricted to the topic for which the invitation had been issued.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 9.00 p.m.

Chairman, 10.11.2005