

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE  
HELD AT 7.00 P.M., ON MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY 2005,  
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET**

**PRESENT:** Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman  
Mr B Leggett Mr D Little Miss P Wilkin  
Mrs G Masdin

**APOLOGIES:** Mr C Green , Mr K Leggett, Mrs G Masdin, Mr D Thompson,

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

**90. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**91. PLANNING**

91.1. The attached list of planning applications was considered and recommendations made to the Planning Authority, Broadland District Council, as noted on the attached list.

91.2.. Application 20050400 to extend the operational hours at 8 – 10 Dixons Fold by a telephone order and delivery service until 11.00 pm. It had been learned that it was probable this application would be approved by the Planning Officer and not be decided by the Broadland District Council's Planning Committee. The application had not been 'called in' by a District Councillor. Members were very concerned that this was happening and wished to clarify the procedures for future reference. It was AGREED to ask the Head of Planning and Conservation, Mr P Geraghty, to come to a meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> June to explain the Parish Council's role and how it could ensure that applications it considered appropriate be considered by Committee.

91.3. Consultation on Draft Statement of Community Involvement. Broadland District Council asked for a response by 22<sup>nd</sup> June. As this was a very important change to the Planning process it was AGREED to ask for an officer to explain the ramifications at the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> June.

**92. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 11.4.2005**

The minutes had been confirmed by the Council as a true record, and were signed by the Chairman.

**93. LAND ADJACENT TO LAVARE PARK**

It was AGREED to make a strong recommendation to the Council that the amended proposal by Brown and Co be supported.

**94. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND**

94.1. Drains. The work was progressing well. It was AGREED that while the trench was open a duct should be inserted to allow the telephone line to be placed underground, avoiding damage to the overhead line in windy conditions. It was also AGREED to place the order with BT to change the line.

94.2. MUGA. A meeting had been arranged by the Head Teacher of the Middle School with representatives of the Football Association at 12 noon on 11<sup>th</sup> May; members were invited.

94.3. Gate to Garrick Green. The owner of the neighbouring property had written to the Police Crime Reduction Office about the gate and a copy of the reply was considered. The reply recommended a new gate and fence built to certain standards but did note that this could deflect problems to adjacent gardens or act as a focus for attack. The second suggestion was to allow free access at all time. It was confirmed that the gate would be visited and discussed when the Council's property was toured.

## **95. LAVARE PARK**

It was noted that vandalism had occurred again. The kitchen window, guttering and soffits at the pavilion had been broken and the fencing at the play area damaged. The park would be visited and inspected by the Committee.

## **96. CHURCHYARD**

96.1. Tree stumps. An order had been given to James Oxbury to grind out the stump of the tree damaged in the gales. There were several other old stumps next to the wall and it was AGREED that these should also be ground out. The estimate for the work was £350.00, this was AGREED.

96.2. Gate to Church Hall. The Old Catton Society had offered to pay half the cost of some new gates and had obtained an estimate of £500.00 for the work. The gates would be of wrought iron and the quotation included fitting. It was AGREED to accept the Old Catton Society's kind offer and leave the approval of the design to the Society.

## **97. CEMETERY**

One quotation had been received for the improvements to the entrance, two more were awaited. It was AGREED to defer consideration until all the quotations had been received.

## **98. HIGHWAY MATTERS**

98.1. Notification had been received of footway resurfacing works at The Paddocks and Edgefield Close, beginning on 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

## **99. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Annual Local Council Advisory Service seminar would be held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2005 at

South Norfolk House. It was AGREED that the Clerk and either Miss P Wilkin or Mr B Leggett would attend. There was one free place and the second would cost £30.00.

#### **100. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

100.1. Date to visit property. It was AGREED that this visit would take place on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2005 as soon as the planning matters had been dealt with.

100.2. Newsletter. It was AGREED that the Newsletter would feature the sports groups using the Recreation Ground, an editorial about speed, and would incorporate the Chairman's Annual Report to the Parish Meeting. It had been agreed earlier that residents would be asked for their views about moving the VAS near Colkett Drive.

There being **no further business** the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15 p.m.

Chairman 11<sup>th</sup> July 2005