

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE
HELD AT 7.00 P.M., ON MONDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2005,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman
Mr C Green Mr B Leggett Mr D Little
Mrs G Masdin Mr M Vincent Miss P Wilkin
Mr K Leggett (arrived at item 65)

APOLOGIES: Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

63. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Miss P Wilkin declared a personal interest in planning application 20050056 as she was acquainted with the applicants and one of the objectors to the application.

64. PLANNING

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

64.2. Application 20050056 was discussed in detail, noting that an earlier and almost identical application had been opposed. The revised application showed the roof height to be 100 mm lower than the original application. It was unanimously AGREED to object to the application for the reasons given previously.

64.3. Application 20050133 to extend the opening hours at 8 – 10 Dixons Fold was discussed. The application made in 2003 for change of use to a hot food takeaway had been opposed and it was unanimously AGREED that any increase in the opening hours should be strongly opposed. If the application were to be decided by Broadland District Council's Planning Committee it was AGREED the Council should be represented at the meeting.

64.4. It was AGREED that the applications for conservatories should be approved, subject to the plans being amended to avoid overlooking when adjacent to boundaries of neighbouring properties.

64.3. East of England Plan: Consultation meetings. Mr B Sabberton-Coe, Miss P Wilkin and the Clerk had attended the meeting at Cromer on 7th February 2005, .

65. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 10.1.2005

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

66. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

66.1. Drains. Four quotations were considered. However, each contractor had proposed a slightly different solution. It was AGREED to seek professional advice about the appropriate way to deal with the drains and also to find out if building regulations approval would be required.

If necessary a meeting would be arranged before the next Council meeting, or delegated approval to get on with the work sought at the Council meeting.

66.2. Gate to Garrick Green. It was noted that the fence had been repaired and the gate was being locked each evening. There had not been any problems reported, to date. The provision of a new gate would be discussed at the next meeting.

66.3. Trees. The Middle School wished to remove two sycamore trees that were hampering the use of its netball court and to replace them with two Hornbeam to complete the avenue of Hornbeam at the Recreation Ground; the school asked if the Council would allow the trees to be planted in the Recreation Ground. This was AGREED subject to an agreement that the cost of planting should be met by the school but that when the trees became established they would become the property and responsibility of the Council.

66.4. MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) The Committee had already briefly discussed the possibility of jointly providing a MUGA with the Middle School. The Head Teacher had asked if the Council would pay half of the cost of a feasibility study, this would be £200.00. This was AGREED. It would be confirmed that the Council would be fully involved, that it would not wish for a high maintenance surface and that the facility would be available for public use, out of school times.

66.5. Quotations for new trailer. Quotations had been received as follows –

- Ben Burgess £2,241.90 plus £100.00 for lights
- Felthorpe Lawnmowers £2,235.00, including lights

It was AGREED to accept the quotation from Felthorpe Lawnmowers.

It was noted that there would be an additional cost of £150.00 to pipe the tractor for the trailer hydraulics.

67. CHURCHYARD

The Parochial Church Council had asked if some gravel could be provided for the path through the Churchyard as it was very wet in parts. The PCC would arrange for it to be spread. It was felt that some gravel for the low areas could be provided although reservations were expressed about the suitability of gravel for wheelchairs or pushchairs. It was AGREED to order 2 tonnes of gravel at a cost of £80.00.

68. LIGHTING

Replacement of concrete columns at St Faiths Road, The Warren and other areas.

Mr B Sabberton-Coe had visited Horsford and thought the recommended 5 metre lights used there would be suitable for St Faiths Road and the 4 metre for The Warren. As there were several footways that were not accessible to vehicles the 4 metre columns were very suitable as they could be maintained safely from a ladder. It was AGREED to obtain quotations for consideration at the next meeting. A separate price would be obtained for potential additional lights for the dark areas at St Faiths Road near Garrick Green and Catton Chase.

69. REVIEW OF WORK OUTSTANDING

69.1. The attached list was reviewed. It was AGREED to look into the possibility of grant aid to carry out the drainage works at Lavare Park.

69.2. Cemetery. It had been confirmed that planning consent would not be required and the architect had been asked to progress the plans.

70. HIGHWAY MATTERS

It was noted there were still problems with parking at Repton Avenue despite the recent addition of double yellow lines.

71. CORRESPONDENCE

It was AGREED to support a request to Norfolk County Council for a pedestrian crossing at Lodge Lane First School; the school would be informed.

There being **no further business** the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.40 p.m.

Chairman 14th March 2005