

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON THURSDAY 27th APRIL 2006
AT THE VILLAGE HALL, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mrs G Masdin - Chairman

Mrs A Chandler	Mr C Green	Mr B Leggett	Mr K Leggett
Mr A Lovett	Mrs A Riches	Mr B Sabberton-Coe	Mr M Vincent
Miss P Wilkin			

19 members of the public

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

83. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were accepted from Mr D Little, Mr D Thompson, Mrs J Williams and Mr J Arnott – Parish Tree Warden

84. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr K Leggett AND Mr B Sabberton-Coe declared their interest in the Catton Park Trust.

85. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 23.3.2006

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

The meeting was then adjourned for public discussion.

86. FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

86.1. Mrs G Masdin PROPOSED that the minutes of the meeting of 13.4.2006 be confirmed and adopted. AGREED.

86.2. Receipts and payments. The lists, which had already been approved by the committee were confirmed and payments authorised.

87.3. Matters arising from the minutes. It was reported that a meeting had been held with the Area Manager (North) of Norfolk County Council's Department of Planning and Transportation to discuss methods of reporting and consultation. The agreements reached would be confirmed.

87.4. Grant for Twinning Visit by Lavare School. Mrs A Chandler PROPOSED that a grant of £100.00 be made towards the costs of this visit. AGREED.

87.5. Delegation of authority. Mr B Sabberton-Coe PROPOSED that authority be delegated to Mr D Thompson and Miss P Wilkin to interview and appoint new supervisory staff to fill the current vacancy. AGREED.

88. PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

88.1. Mr B Sabberton-Coe PROPOSED the confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the meeting of 10.4.2006. AGREED.

88.2. Matters arising. It was reported that Norfolk County Council had refused consent for a gate into the Churchyard from Garrick Green. The trees at Woodham Leas were alive; giraffe cages had been ordered for the three most vulnerable trees.

88.3. Puffin crossing at Spixworth Road. Both committees had discussed this proposed crossing and recommended its support. In response to an objection by the Old Catton Society a site meeting had been held on 25th April when Norfolk County Council's efforts to make the crossing acceptable in the conservation area were explained. Members were concerned that certain potential safety features had been excluded because of the sensitivity of the area. It was noted that the footway to the east was proposed to be widened by half a metre as the existing footway was narrow. It was AGREED to ask what visual distinction would be made between the anti skid and the regular surfaces. It was unanimously AGREED to support the proposed Puffin Crossing at the site shown on the plan.

88.4. Waiting restrictions at Lucerne Close. It was AGREED to support the residents' request.

90. VILLAGE HALL

Mrs A Chandler reported on events that were planned, including painting the outside of the Hall. The fund raising events would be publicised in the newsletter.

89. CATTON PARK

Mr K Leggett reported on the progress with the work in the western woods and the work planned for the year.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending, and closed the meeting at 8.08 p.m.

Chairman, 25th May 2006