

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON THURSDAY 25TH JANUARY 2007
AT THE VILLAGE HALL, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT:Mr D Thompson - Chairman

Mrs A Chandler

Mr C Green

Mr K Leggett

Mr A Lovett

Mrs A Riches

Mr B Sabberton-Coe

Mr M Vincent

Miss P Wilkin

Mrs J Williams

Mr J Arnott – Parish Tree Warden

Mr S Dunn – Norfolk County Councillor

1 member of the public

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

51. APOLOGIES for absence were accepted from Mr B Leggett, Mrs G Masdin and Mr D Little. It was AGREED to approve a four month leave of absence for Mr Little as he was unwell.

52. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr K Leggett, Mr B Sabberton-Coe and Mr D Thompson declared their personal interests in the Catton Park Trust.

53. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 23.11.2006

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

It was AGREED to adjourn the meeting for public discussion.
The meeting resumed.

54. FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

54.1. Mrs A Chandler PROPOSED the confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2007. AGREED.

54.2. Payments and receipts. The list, which had been approved by the Committee was AGREED.

55. PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

55.1. Mr B Sabberton-Coe PROPOSED the confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the meetings of 11.12.2006 and 8.1.2007. AGREED.

55.2. Matters arising from the minutes.

Minute 80.2. It was AGREED that the embankment slide should be removed as soon as possible and the embankment itself removed when ground conditions allowed.

Minute 84. A meeting would be arranged with Norfolk County Council to look at potential sites for a bus shelter at St Faiths Road.

Minute 90. Mr K Leggett reported on the Police Authority Budget Consultation Evening; there was a deficit in the anticipated funding for Police Community Support Officers and the number of officers planned might be cut significantly.

Minute 90. It was hoped that the newsletter would be distributed during the next week.

56. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW, NORWICH CITY COUNCIL'S BIDS FOR UNITARY STATUS

The presentations given by the City Council and Norfolk County Council, along with Broadland District Council and South Norfolk District Councils had been discussed in detail at the Finance and Policy Committee. The meeting discussed the relevant issues again and could not identify any benefit to Old Catton from the City Council's plans. It was noted that formal consultation would not begin until the bids had been 'shortlisted'. It was unanimously AGREED to send a forcible letter of objection to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government immediately with copies to Broadland District Council and Norfolk County Council.

57. VILLAGE HALL

There was nothing to report.

58. CATTON PARK

Mr K Leggett updated the meeting. There had been some wind damage as a result of the recent gales. An educational plan was being prepared.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.14 p.m.

Chairman, 22nd February 2007