

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 6.30 PM ON MONDAY 11TH JUNE 2007,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman
Mr J Arnott Mr C Green Mr A Lovett
Mr D Thompson Miss P Wilkin (until item 5)

APOLOGIES: Mr B Leggett Mrs G Masdin

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting,

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr B Sabberton-Coe declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 0700491 and left the room during discussion of that application. Mr D Thompson declared his interest as a member of Broadland District Council's Planning Committee and took no part in discussion of the planning applications in the Broadland area.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 14.5.2007

The minutes of the meeting of 14.5.2007, which had already been adopted by the Parish Council were confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

3. PLANNING

3.1. Application 0700491, in the City Council area. Mr B Sabberton-Coe left the room and Mr C Green took the Chair. Members had copies of letters of objection from residents whose properties were adjacent to or affected by the application. It was AGREED to inform the City Council that there was no objection to the principle of development but there were various concerns, noted in the attached list.

3.2. Mr B Sabberton-Coe returned and took the Chair.
The list of planning applications in the Broadland area was considered and recommendations made to the Planning Authority, Broadland District Council, as noted on the attached list.

4. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

4.1. New play equipment.

It was AGREED that various schemes for new play equipment should be considered by the committee at its next meeting and those approved displayed in the Pavilion during the school holidays and children invited to vote on their preferred scheme.

4.2. Alterations to the Council Office.

It was noted that arrangements had been made to demolish the built in cupboard and for redecoration. A secure steel cabinet had been purchased.

4.3. Multi Use Games Area.

It was noted that the success, or otherwise, of the grant application to Biffaward would now not be known until the end of June.

The meeting was then adjourned for a discussion with representatives of the Old Catton Junior Football Club. Notes of this discussion are attached. The meeting then resumed.

5. LAVARE PARK

5.1. Land adjacent to Lavare Park.

The planning application had yet to be submitted.

6. CEMETERY

Members AGREED that the pedestrian gates in the lych gate should continue to be wooden. It was AGREED to investigate replacing the hinges to make the gates work better.

7. BUS SHELTERS

Norfolk County Council had not agreed to support moving the bus stop. It was AGREED to consider siting a shelter at St Faiths Road at the stop between Church Street and Garrick Green. As this was adjacent to a listed wall it was necessary to obtain Broadland District Council's Conservation Officer's approval. The matter would be discussed again if this was forthcoming.

8. VILLAGE HALL DRIVE

Quotations had been received to repair or resurface the Hall Drive in three different ways. It was AGREED that the higher specification was needed and that another quotation to the same specification should be obtained before a contract as awarded. As the state of the Hall Drive was becoming dangerous it was AGREED that the money should be taken from the contingency fund and reserves and the work carried out as soon as possible. The Clerk was instructed to put the work in hand.

9. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Various potholes would be reported to Norfolk County Council.

Details had been obtained for the work planned at Chartwell Road and its junction with St Faiths Road and the City Council had been asked to keep the council informed. It was AGREED to ask that restricting egress from Oak Lane to the right be considered.

10. STAFF MATTERS

Recreation Ground supervisors.

Messrs Wilkin and Brown had agreed to work alternate weeks. It was AGREED to try to recruit a relief supervisor to cover holidays and sickness and this would be mentioned in the next newsletter.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

The list of correspondence was considered.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12.1. War Memorial. The British Legion would be asked to remove the poppy wreaths. The area would be weed killed as soon as possible.

12.2. It was AGREED to make a strong representation to the owners of the car park at The Paddocks (the Somerfield site) as it was in a shocking condition with walls and lighting columns broken with dirt and litter everywhere.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50 pm.

Chairman 11th June 2007