

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2008,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman
Mr C Green Mr B Leggett Mr A Lovett
Mrs G Masdin Mr D Thompson (after agenda item)

APOLOGIES: Mr J Arnott, Miss P Wilkin

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

81. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr B Sabberton-Coe declared his interest in agenda item 4, planning application 07/01427/O, as he was acquainted with the applicant.

82. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 14.1.2008

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

83. PLANNING

Recommendations made are detailed on the attached list.

It was AGREED to delegate authority to the Clerk to deal with anticipated last minute negotiations with Brown and Co relating to application 20070962, land at Spixworth Road.

84. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

84.1. MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) and tennis courts.

The MUGA was complete and ready for use during the half term holiday.

There had been problems with the tarmac surface of the tennis courts and the Tennis Club had written with various complaints. Adventure Playgrounds, the main contractor had acknowledged the problems and agreed to ensure their sub contractor, Ennstone, carried out any necessary additional works; nothing would be paid for this work until an agreement had been reached and the whole bill would not be paid until remedial works were complete.

84.2. Official 'opening' of MUGA

It was AGREED to defer the official opening until the situation with the tennis courts had been resolved.

84.3. New play equipment.

There had been delays with installing the new SMP play equipment mainly because the correctly coloured equipment had not arrived. The Adventure Playgrounds equipment was programmed for installation after the half term

holidays, although it would not be possible to install 'Vertigo Street' if the ground was too wet to access the site.

85. LAVARE PARK

85.1. Planning application for the adjacent land.

This had been dealt with under minute 83.

86. CEMETERY ROUNDABOUT

It was AGREED to clear the roundabout before discussing the matter further. It was AGREED to delegate authority to Mr B Sabberton-Coe and Mr D Thompson to accept a quotation to clear the area, including, if necessary, the wall.

It was noted that, apart from the roundabout, the Cemetery looked very tidy.

87.FINANCE AND UNSPENT FUNDS

It was AGREED to ask the Council to carry forward the balances remaining unspent as at 31st March, detailed in the attached report, into the new financial year. The reasons for the under spending were discussed and justified.

88. HIGHWAY MATTERS

88.1. Mr Steve White, an officer from Norfolk County Council's Department of Planning and Transportation, had agreed to attend, at 6.30 p.m before the meeting on 10th March 2008. Members would let the Clerk have lists of specific areas in need of attention before the meeting.

88.2. Norfolk County Council's feasibility study for improvements to the junction of St Faiths Road with Fifers Lane with a mini roundabout.

Norfolk County Council had acknowledged the Council's concerns and would bear them in mind.

89. CORRESPONDENCE

89.1. The correspondence list was received.

89.2. The headteacher of the middle school had asked that suitable lines be painted in the Recreation Ground entrance drive to stop parking and create a way for pedestrians leaving the school gate to enter the Recreation Ground. Members were sympathetic to this suggestion and AGREED to carry out a site inspection before the April meeting to consider how to improve the entrance and make it safer.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.00 pm.

Chairman, 10.3.2008