

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2008,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET**

PRESENT: Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman
Mr J Arnott Mr C Green Mr A Lovett
Mrs G Masdin Miss P Wilkin

APOLOGIES: Mr B Leggett Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

44. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

45. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 8.9.2008

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

46. PLANNING

The recommendations were made as detailed on the attached list.

47. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

47.1. Progress with new play equipment, safety surfacing and adult fitness equipment.

RSS Record were due to install the 3 pieces of adult fitness equipment and new swings for the older children, set in grass mat surfacing on 14th October.

The work in the under 9s area would be carried out in early November, weather permitting.

47.2. Driveway improvements.

The new gates would be fitted on 22nd October. Parents had been asked not to park in the actual driveway to avoid potential accidents.

47.3. Broadland Green Award.

It was AGREED to give the £50.00 prize money to the Hall School.

48. LAVARE PARK

48.1. Acquisition of land.

It was noted that probate had been granted and it was hoped that the S106 agreement would be signed in a few weeks. It was AGREED to strip the land and then delay seeding it until 2009.

48.2. Junior Football Club's presentation events.

It was AGREED that the Club could hold its presentation events at Lavare Park on 15th and 16th May 2009.

49. BUDGET FOR 2009/10

It was noted that the Finance and Policy Committee would be preparing a budget at its November meeting. The scale of fees and charges had already been fixed; and were approved by the meeting. It was AGREED that, in addition to the completion of the garage building and the creation of an accessible toilet, linked with the refurbishment of the ladies toilets, provision should be made to provide additional bus shelters and notice boards, and to complete the improvements to the roundabout at the Cemetery.

50. CEMETERY

50.1. Water supply

The new water butt had been installed at the Cemetery.

51. CHURCHYARD

51.1. New area for ashes.

The railings would be installed on 14th October.

Plans for the layout and type of memorial to be used were being discussed; it was hoped that the Council would be fully consulted as future maintenance of the area would become its responsibility.

51.2. Gate to Church Hall.

A gentleman had expressed an interest in paying for new gates and piers. Although members felt it would be appropriate for the new gates to match the new railings they were happy that wooden gates with brick piers be used. The Old Catton Society would be consulted.

51. WORK IN PROGRESS AND FUTURE PROJECTS

The list was reviewed. It was noted that the garden at the War Memorial had been re-planted and looked splendid.

52. HIGHWAYS

52.1. Oak Lane. It was noted that the road was still overgrown.

52.2. St Faiths Road. It was noted that the road surface was breaking up between the two new central islands, in the City area.

52.3. Fifers Lane. It was AGREED to ask the Police to carry out speed checks between the junction with St Faiths Road and the Ives Road roundabout.

52.4. Street Lighting. It was AGREED to obtain a quote to change the lantern on the light in Church Street nearest to St Faiths Road as it was an old type and gave inadequate light.

53. CORRESPONDENCE

The list of correspondence was received.

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

Chairman, 10.11.2008