

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 14TH APRIL 2008,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman
Mr J Arnott Mr C Green Mr B Leggett
Miss P Wilkin

APOLOGIES: Mr A Lovett Mrs G Masdin Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

100. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

101. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 10.3.2008

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

102. PLANNING

Recommendations made are detailed on the attached list.
It was also AGREED to ask Mr Chesney-Beales, Broadland District Council's tree officer about the future of the tree belt excluded from application 20080513.

103. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

103.1 Resurfacing of the tennis courts.

The remedial works had been agreed and 80% of the bill paid. It was AGREED that the remedial works should not be carried out until August when the netball season had finished.

103.2. Official 'opening' of MUGA

It was AGREED to officially open the MUGA on Thursday 29th May, at 5.30 pm before the Annual Parish Meeting. This would be publicised in the newsletter, as well as the press and website.

103.3. New play equipment.

The SMP Playgrounds play equipment was awaiting the correction of some defects. Only 75% of their bill would be paid until this was put right. The Devils Island, or 'black swing' was very popular with all age groups and the older children had suggested that another be provided for them rather than a climbing rock. This would be reviewed when funds became available.

It was suggested that the sand safety surfacing under the old equipment be replaced with wet pour surfacing. Members were reminded that when children were surveyed a few years ago they had overwhelmingly favoured sand. However it was AGREED to find out what wet pour surfacing would cost.

103.4. Improvements to the entrance driveway

Members had surveyed the driveway before the meeting and agreed, informally, that the eastern side, next to the beech hedge, should be haunched and kerbed, new gates, including a pedestrian gate be provided slightly nearer to Church Street and the pedestrian area between the school gate and the new gate be bollarded to create a safe walking route. The new vehicle gate would be nearer to the beech hedge and vehicle priority signs erected. It was AGREED to obtain quotations for the work before a formal decision was made. The style of gate and fencing to be powder coated and painted black was AGREED for the purpose of obtaining prices.

104. LAVARE PARK

104.1. Junior Football Club's presentation events on 16th and 17th May 2008.

It was AGREED that a charge of £50.00 be made but, in addition, the club would be required to pay for any damage caused to the ground or building.

105. CEMETERY ROUNDABOUT

It had still not been possible to obtain two quotations. The contractors would be reminded.

106. WAR MEMORIAL

It was AGREED to defer a decision on the new planting until the next meeting.

107. STREET LIGHTING, LAVARE COURT

It was AGREED to inform Norfolk County Council that the Council would adopt the lighting and that it wished for the lights to be the 4 metre 70 son as used at The Warren.

108. BROADLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL'S AMENITY LAND

It was AGREED to ask Broadland District Council if it was prepared to negotiate the transfer of its adopted amenity land to the Council, along with an appropriate commuted sum for its future maintenance.

109. WORK IN PROGRESS AND FUTURE PROJECTS

The list was reviewed. It was noted that it would be necessary to consider providing galvanised boundary railings at the extension to the Churchyard in the near future.

110. FINANCE

The Committee had been delegated to deal with finance as the Finance and Policy Committee had not met.

110.1. The attached list of vouchers numbered 562 to 561, with payments totalling £9,479.98, 1 to 21 totalling £22,374.69 and receipts of £31,829.50 and £879.96 were approved.

110.2. Balances to carry forward into new financial year. It was AGREED to earmark a total of £73,130 and carry it forward into the accounting period beginning 1.4.2008. Of this £37,530.00 related to expenditure that had been planned for 2007/8 but not achieved and £35,600.00 were earmarked reserves.

111. HIGHWAY MATTERS

111.1. Mr Steve White had sent a copy of his inspection of Garrick Green which indicated areas that were satisfactory and would not receive further attention. It was noted that nothing had been done to the gullies at St Faiths Road yet.

112. CORRESPONDENCE

The list of correspondence was noted.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.20 pm.

Chairman, 12.5.2008