

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

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

APOLOGIES: Mr B Leggett and Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

9. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

10. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 9.6.2008

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

11. PLANNING

11.1. The recommendations were made as detailed on the attached list.

11.2. There was still concern about the tree belt outside the area of the planning application for Repton House and it was AGREED to ask Broadland District Council's tree officer's advice.

12. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

12.1. Improvements to entrance drive

It was planned to install the new gates during the school holidays.

12.2. Informal goal at northern end of the field

An informal goal had been removed as it was too near the new equipment. It was AGREED to acquire a new goal; the style would be dependant on its funding being available from the S106 funds. A meeting was to be held with Broadland District Council in the near future to determine the type of projects that would be approved.

12.3. Review of the Junior Football Club's five a side tournament

It was agreed that the event had been very well organised. The weather on the first day had been very wet and spectators had sheltered in gazebos between the five a side pitches; this had resulted in serious damage to the ground, which was in the centre of the eleven a side pitches. Although every effort was being made to restore the grass condition it was feared that the centre of the pitches would become muddy and unfit for play in the winter.

The Club had been warned of this and advised to make contingency arrangements. It was AGREED that, in future, gazebos must not be erected in this area.

12.4. Installation of electricity to the bowls hut

An estimate of the cost of taking a supply of power from the Pavilion to the bowls hut was between one and two thousand pounds. It would not be possible to take a supply from the floodlights. The matter would be discussed with the bowls club to determine their potential input. It was also AGREED to consider building a new bowls hut using S106 funding, if such funding was approved.

12.5. Completion of garage building

It had been agreed that this work should be completed. The existing plans needed to be reviewed and new plans drawn in order to apply for building regulations and, if necessary, planning approval. It was AGREED to appoint a technician to draw the plans and up date the specification.

12.6. Other matters

It was AGREED to obtain quotations to change the safety surfacing from sand to either wetpour or grass matting surfacing.

13. LAVARE PARK

13.1. Acquisition of land.

The details of the S106 agreement had been agreed and it was hoped that it would be signed shortly. It was AGREED to visit the Park at 6.30 pm before the next meeting on 11th August to see how it would be developed.

13.2. Youth shelter

PCSO Bell had asked if the Council might provide a youth shelter at the Park as a meeting place for the youths currently gathering at the car park at The Paddocks. As the layout of the Park was changing and housing would be built close by it was AGREED to discuss this in the future when the plans for the area were clearer.

14. CEMETERY

14.1. Roundabout.

The roundabout had been cleared and would be seeded to allow time to consider its final design and budget to carry out the work.

14.2. Water supply.

Members had visited the Cemetery. It was AGREED that water could not be collected from the northern side of the lych gate roof and that the existing open water tank should be replaced. It was AGREED buy new lidded water butts with the maximum capacity possible.

15. WORK IN PROGRESS AND FUTURE PROJECTS

The list was reviewed.

15.2. It was noted that the Parochial Church Council had agreed to contribute £1,000 to the cost of railings for the new area adjacent to Garrick Green. Quotations and an agreed design were needed before the work could be put in hand.

15.3. It was AGREED that the War Memorial area should be tidied as soon as possible.

15.4. It was AGREED that the concept of a multi purpose sports hall should be kept under review.

15.5. It was AGREED that a report on the use and availability of S106 funds would be prepared for the next meeting.

16. HIGHWAYS

16.1. It was noted that all the bus stops had been raised to allow easy access to modern buses.

16.2. It was AGREED to ask the Highway authority to deal with an area where the road was again subsiding in Church Street, near its junction with Park Close, and near the building site at The Paddocks.

16.3. It was AGREED to find out what was happening about the implementation of Speedwatch.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15 pm.

Chairman, 11.8.2008