

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2009,
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 Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

79. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

80. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 12.1.2009

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

81. PLANNING

The recommendations were made as detailed on the attached list.

82. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

82.1. Cancellation of football due to adverse weather.

The Junior Football Club had been advised not to play during the weekend of 24th and 25th January but had played and damaged the ground seriously. As a result the Club had been informed that training and matches would be cancelled during the weekend of 31st January and 1st October. Copies of e-mails from the Club, complaining about cancellation of training and matches, were considered.

The matter was discussed thoroughly and it was AGREED that -

- a) The groundsman's authority to cancel training and matches be confirmed
- b) A new and more precise contract and code of conduct for use with the Club be agreed upon and imposed in future
- c) The matter be discussed with officers of the Club as last business at the scheduled Recreation Grounds committee meeting on 16th February
- d) Sympathetic consideration would be given to applications for extra matches to be played midweek to help the Club to complete its fixtures.

It was also AGREED to buy a new piece of equipment to spray, rather than roll, the pitch lines as this would make pitch marking easier in adverse weather.

Another e-mail from one of the Club's trainers was also discussed but it was AGREED that the suggestions made should only be considered if it was the Club's wish.

83. LAVARE PARK

83.1. Acquisition of land.

Brown and Co were progressing the S106 agreement with the new trustees who wanted some clarification in the agreement about the temporary use of a larger area of the buffer zone to store the soil removed to enable the archaeological dig to take place, the placing of surface water drains under a limited and defined area of the buffer zone and access to enter on to the Council's land for maintenance purposes. It was AGREED that these changes were acceptable.

84. CHURCHYARD

84.1. Clearance of new area near Garrick Green.

It was AGREED that the newly cleared area looked very tidy. It was noted that the Vicar had been successful in his application for a faculty to use the area for cremated remains.

84.2. Gates to Church Hall.

It was noted that the planned gates would be provided in memory of two residents and organised by the PCC.

85. WORK IN PROGRESS AND FUTURE PROJECTS

85.1. The list was reviewed.

85.2. Accessible toilet at the Pavilion.

Quotations had already been obtained for this work but had not been progressed because the grant application had been refused and Broadland District Council had not agreed that the work could be funded entirely from s106 money. However, a sum of £8,855.00 had been made available by Broadland District Council from the remaining s106 money for the toilets and the Council still had funds of £14,000.00 available in its budget for major work. Because Broadland District Council had stipulated that the toilet be accessible to all some changes would be made to the design; a ramp would not be constructed and some fittings excluded. It was AGREED to ask the builder who had submitted the lowest quotation to revise this to take into account these changes and price increases. The revised quotation would be considered at the next meeting.

86. HIGHWAYS

86.1. St Faiths Road, junction with Fifers Lane.

It was noted that four bollards had been damaged recently by a vehicle; the police had been involved.

Norfolk County Council had been surveying the junction again and was considering the creation of another lane; consultation would take place if a scheme was proposed.

86.2. Speedwatch. The restriction on using Speedwatch in 20 mph areas had been explained but was still being checked. It was hoped the group might begin to operate in the near future. There was a need for more volunteers.

87. CORRESPONDENCE

The list was noted. It was AGREED that the contract to cut Norfolk County Council's grass verges should be renewed.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.05 pm.

Chairman,9.3.2009