

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 9TH MARCH 2009,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET**

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

APOLOGIES: Mr B Leggett Mrs G Masdin Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

88. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

89. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 9.2.2009

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

90. PLANNING

The recommendations were made as detailed on the attached list.

91. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

91.1. Refurbishment of women's and men's toilets and creation of an accessible toilet.

Quotations had been obtained for the work to the women's and creation of an accessible toilet in 2007 when the lowest quotation had come from S W Greengrass in the sum of £17,850.00. The specification had been modified and the quotation, from S W Greengrass, now trading as Province Building Services, had been revised and updated in the sum of £16,675.00.

A further price to refurbish the men's toilets while on site had been obtained in the sum of £5,775.10.

The funds available in the current budget amounted to £22,855.

It was unanimously AGREED to accept these quotations and to put the work in hand.

91.2. Completion of the garage and store.

Although two quotations had been obtained for the work it was AGREED to check certain details and to deal with the matter at the next meeting.

91.3. Policy relating to football and training.

A revised contract with the Junior Football Club was discussed and AGREED. The changes were as follows –

- Conditions relating to sports groups, 2. Add 'If necessary to cancel play this will be done by e-mail at 1.00 pm on Friday.' The phrase 'or liable to result in damage to the playing surface' would remain.
- Terms of Hire, Old Catton Junior Football Club, add 1.2. 'The maximum number to use both grounds is 12 junior teams.' If the JFC wished to continue to play a men's team this would need to be negotiated with the Council and the number of junior teams reduced.

Add 1.5. 'The Five a side tournament may be arranged with the Council and details agreed in advance. Gazebos may only be erected outside the areas of the full size pitches.'

92. LAVARE PARK

92.1. Acquisition of land.

The new S106 agreement was with the solicitors. However, it was noted that it would not be possible to seed the land until the autumn as there would be considerable preparation required. It was unlikely that the new grass would be fit for play until 2012.

93. CHURCHYARD

93.1. Lychgate.

It was AGREED to authorise expenditure of up to £500 to properly assess the state of the posts. It was also AGREED to find out what grant aid might be available to carry out the work.

94. STREET LIGHTING

The maintenance contractors had reported that they were no longer able to maintain the 5 metre columns in restricted areas which were inaccessible to their vehicle due to current working at height regulations. Provision of £2,500 had been made in the 2009/10 budget to reduce the height of some of these columns, at a cost of about £400 each.

However, it was noted that there actually several of these columns that would need to be reduced in order to be able to carry out repairs. It was AGREED to find out exactly how many lights were affected and report to the next meeting. It was also AGREED to ask to carry forward any unspent allowance for repairs in the current year to 2009/10 to be used to deal with some of the problem columns.

95. WORK IN PROGRESS AND FUTURE PROJECTS

95.1. The list was reviewed.

96. CORRESPONDENCE

The list was noted.

It was AGREED that there was no objection to Broadland District Council's proposal to restrict permitted development rights at Grange Close.

97. OTHER REPORTS

It was noted that the Project Management Course the Clerk was attending was very informative and would help with a feasibility study for a potential sports hall.

It was noted that the Clerk and Mrs Wilkin would attend a half day course on routine inspection of play equipment at Dereham on 24th April.

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

Chairman,6.4.2009