

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2009,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET**

PRESENT: Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman
Mr J Arnott Mr D Thompson Mr B Leggett
Mr A Lovett Mrs G Masdin

APOLOGIES: Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

35. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There no declarations of interest.

36. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 10.8.2009

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

37. PLANNING

37.1. Planning applications. Recommendations were made as detailed on the attached list.

38. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

38.1. Refurbishment of toilets and creation of accessible toilet.

The ramp for the easy access toilet had been fitted. It was AGREED to pay the final account for the work. It was also AGREED to fit a ventilation duct to the door of the accessible toilet.

38.2. Garage building.

Work had progressed well but completion would be delayed until October when the roller shutter door would be ready. It was noted that there would be additional expense to provide a suitable ramp which had not been specified in the plans.

38.3. Football use of pitches.

The Junior Football Club had explained that registration of the men's team had taken place before the Council's decision to prioritise use by the youth teams so only 10 youth teams would play as well as the men's team. The Club had been advised that this would not be acceptable for the 2010/2011 season.

38.4. Other matters. It was noted that the new sign had been erected at entrance.

39. LAVARE PARK

39.1. Progress with S106 agreement.

It was understood that the agreement was practically complete. The matter of the solicitors' fees was outstanding. The Council's legal costs up to £500 would be borne by the Trustees.

40. CEMETERY

40.1. Additions to memorials.

Most of the unauthorised additions had already been removed, it was hoped that the remaining items would be removed by the deadline of 18th September.

41. CHURCHYARD

41.1. New area and beech hedge.

The Diocesan Registrar had advised that a further faculty would be required to remove the hedge and that the Arch Deacon had advised the Secretary of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). The PCC would discuss the matter again at its meeting on 16th September. Members continued to object to the hedge being there but were hopeful that the PCC would agree to remove it.

42. PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING IN THE SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS AREA

It was noted that a team of young people would be setting priorities to spend a sum of money in the Old Catton, Spixworth and Sprowston Safer Neighbourhoods area. The Parish Council would then publicise the priorities and invite youth groups to bid for funding for suitable projects. Local groups had been advised that this funding opportunity was forthcoming.

43. WORK IN PROGRESS AND FUTURE PROJECTS

The list was reviewed.

44. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Prior to the meeting informal discussions had taken place with Mr S White the Area Highway Manager about planned minor works in the Village.

45. REPORTS AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

45.1. Mr J Arnott reported on the Consultation Meeting on the East of England Plan he had attended on behalf of the Council. EERA had given the impression that the housing numbers for the region might be reviewed.

45.2. Members were asked to think about budgetary requirements for discussion at the next meeting.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 7.45 pm.

Chairman, 14th September 2009