

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 12TH JULY 2010,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

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

APOLOGIES: None, all present

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

15. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 14.6.2010

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

16. PLANNING

Recommendations were made on planning applications as the attached list.

17. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

17.1. Green waste

Prices to buy a suitable shredder began at £782.00. It was AGREED to investigate prices to hire equipment.

17.2. Porch at the Pavilion

It was noted that J Watts and Son had made the porch safe; it was AGREED to delegate authority to Mr B Sabberton-Coe and Mr D Thompson to accept J Watts' quotation, if acceptable, and arrange for them to make a permanent repair as soon as possible.

17.3. Other matters

It was noted that the new section of railings adjacent to the Garrick Green entrance and the fencing next to the garage were complete.

17. LAVARE PARK

17.1. Progress with the new land and its future use and maintenance

It was noted that provisional arrangements had been made to meet the officers of the Junior Football Club on Monday 2nd August 2010. Mr B Sabberton-Coe, Mr D Thompson, Miss P Wilkin and the Clerk would represent the Council and report to the August committee meeting.

18. CEMETERY

18.1. The Committee considered two designs for a headstone and AGREED unanimously to approve the plain design which included a small football club badge and a photograph. It was not felt that the other design incorporating an outline of a football shirt would be appropriate.

18.2. It was noted that new guidelines for memorials in Churchyards had been issued by the Church authorities. The new rules prohibited the use of glass vases. It was AGREED to amend the Cemetery rules to prohibit glass and other breakable containers in order to avoid visitors being hurt by broken shreds. Notes would be placed on any grave

19. CHURCHYARD

19.1. Self propelled mower

The cost of a suitable model, similar to the manually propelled model in current use was £440.00. It was AGREED to order this mower immediately.

19.2. Defective memorials

The defective 'chest tombs' had been fenced off. Fairhaven and Woods had given an estimate of cost of repairs. Each would cost about £7,500 to dismantle and re-build. This did not include anything for work to the railings. The Old Catton Society had declined to take this on. Broadland District Council had offered a grant of up to £3,000 toward the repairs to include the railings.

It was AGREED to write to the Parochial Church Council saying that the Council was not prepared to fund repairs and asking for the Parochial Church Council's suggestions.

19.3. Other matters.

It was noted that the beech hedge that had been planted in the new area had been removed.

20. WORK IN PROGRESS

The list was reviewed.

21. APPOINTMENT OF PARISH TREE WARDEN

The gentleman who had applied for the position had decided to leave the Village so was no longer interested. Mr J Arnott was happy to continue to keep an eye on trees in the Village but could not find time to attend the very useful monthly Tree Warden meetings; he hoped that another Tree Warden could be found. It was AGREED to write to Mr Chesney-Beales at Broadland District Council explaining that the Council was still seeking to recruit a new Tree Warden and that Mr J Arnott would continue for the time being but would not attend meetings. It was AGREED to advertise the position again.

22. HIGHWAY MATTERS

It was AGREED to ask Norfolk County Council to deal with the following –

- The poor state of the footpath at Church Street, opposite the school
- The hole in the road at Church Street near the entrance to Park Close
- Depressions in the road between the speed humps on Lodge Lane
- The trees that were concealing the traffic lights at the junction of Spixworth Road with Lodge Lane

It was AGREED to write to the resident at Greyfriars asking that the hedge be cut back to clear the footpath.

It was noted that work to resurface the paths at Garrick Green would begin on 26th July 2010.

23. CORRESPONDENCE

The attached list was noted.

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

Chairman, 9th August 2010