

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,**  
**HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2011,**  
**AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET**

**PRESENT:** Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman  
Mr J Arnott                      Mr C Green                      Mr B Leggett  
Mr D Thompson                Miss P Wilkin

**APOLOGIES:** Mr A Lovett                      Mrs G Masdin

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

**82. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**83. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 13.12.2010**

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

**84. PLANNING**

84.1. A recommendation was made on a planning application as the attached list.

84.2. WFS telecom Ltd asked for pre application comments on a proposed base station at the corner of White Woman Lane and Spixworth Road. It was AGREED to reply saying that the Council would comment when a planning application was made.

84.3. It was AGREED to express an interest in joining a Neighbourhood Planning Vanguard, along with Sprowston and Spixworth Parish Councils, to Broadland District Council and to send two representatives to a meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

84.5. Joint Core Strategy. It was noted that the inspector who was examining the Joint Core Strategy had proposed amendments including that 'the delivery of the Old Catton, Sprowston, Spixworth, Rackheath and Thorpe St Andrew growth triangle in its entirety is dependant on the implementation of the Northern Distributor Road'.

84.5. Norwich Airport. It was noted that the report on the consultation on the proposal to establish controlled airspace was available on [www.norwichinternational.com/airspaceconsultation/initialreport](http://www.norwichinternational.com/airspaceconsultation/initialreport) and that the process had taken longer than was originally envisaged by the airport.

**85. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND**

**85.1. Bowls/cricket hut**

It was noted that the builders planned to begin work in late February 2011. It was unlikely that the S106 funding from St Christopher's School would be available in time and would not be accessible retrospectively. Province Builders had given an additional quotation to supply electricity to the new building in the sum of £2,733.50. It was AGREED to recommend that the Parish Council give an order to add the supply of electricity to the contract. It was further AGREED that funding should be by the use of reserves if necessary.

#### 85.2. Water damage to The Pavilion

Members discussed the damage that had occurred when a water pipe in the roof had burst on 20<sup>th</sup> December causing serious damage to the ceilings, walls and electrics in the changing and shower rooms. Two quotations had been obtained to repair the damage and an insurance claim would be made. It was AGREED to accept the lower of the quotations subject to the approval of the insurance company.

### **86. LAVARE PARK**

It was noted that nothing had been heard from the Junior Football Club as its committee had yet to meet.

### **87. CEMETERY**

It was noted that the new section, near to the 'roundabout' was about to be used. It was AGREED that members would visit the Cemetery and then discuss potential ways to enhance the appearance of the roundabout.

### **88. CHURCHYARD**

#### 88.1. Defective memorials

The second contractor had quoted to deal with both tombs. It was AGREED that the lower quotation from Paul Miles in the sum of £1,390.00 should be accepted when the faculty application was approved.

#### 88.2. New gate to Church Hall

It was noted that the new wall and gates from the Churchyard to the Church Hall were complete.

### **89. WORK IN PROGRESS**

The list was reviewed

### **90. REGISTRATION OF LAND**

The Council's solicitor at Greenland Houchen had advised that two pieces of land appeared to be unregistered, the Cemetery and the part of the Recreation Ground that used to belong to Hunters Lodge. His fees to register this land, assuming that the value of each parcel of land was less than £50,000 would be £500 plus £94 fees. It was AGREED to ask Greenland Houchen to register this land.

## **91. HIGHWAY MATTERS**

### 91.1. The 'Big Conversation' with County Council

Mr J Arnott and the Clerk had attended a meeting with Norfolk County Council and representatives of other local councils on 6<sup>th</sup> January when ways that local councils might do more and ways that Norfolk County Council might save money were discussed. Although parish and town councils had suggested ways they might work with Norfolk County Council none were prepared to do this without reimbursement. Norfolk County Council had confirmed that it would continue to pay for its grass verges to be cut in 2011.

### 91.2. Highway and Community Rangers

It was not clear if the rangers had visited the Village although some work had been carried out to the trees between Burma Road and the Tills footway. It was hoped that communications about the next visit would clarify what would be done by the rangers.

### 91.3. Other matters

It was noted that the bus shelter at Spixworth Road had been demolished by a vehicle on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011. The wrecked shelter had been cleared away by Province Builders at a cost of £294.39 and Norfolk County Council had yet to reinstate the damaged path surface. It was noted that the driver of the vehicle had not been insured and a police prosecution was probable.

The shelters were not insured and a quotation had been obtained to insure all four shelters for impact damage in the sum of £85. It was AGREED to insure the bus shelters for impact damage immediately.

An application had been made to Norfolk County Council for a grant to help buy a new shelter and £500 had been offered. It was hoped that a claim could be made to the Motor Insurers Bureau for the loss caused by the uninsured driver.

It was AGREED to order a replacement bus shelter immediately.

## **92. CORRESPONDENCE**

The attached list was noted.

## **93. OTHER MATTERS**

It was noted that new graffiti had appeared in the Village with the initials ARK and BPY; this would be reported to the Police

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

Chairman, 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011