OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, HELD AT 7.30 P.M., ON THURSDAY 28th APRIL, 2011, AT THE VILLAGE HALL, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr D Thompson – Chairman

Councillors - Mr J Arnott, Mr C Green, Mr B Leggett, Mrs G Masdin

Mr B Palmer, Mrs A Riches, Mr M Vincent, Mrs J Williams

Sergeant P Scott 14 residents

Mr K Leggett – Broadland District Councillor

APOLOGIES: Mrs A Chandler Mr A Lovett, Mr B Sabberton-Coe, Miss P Wilkin Mr S Dunn – Norfolk County Councillor and Broadland District Councillor

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the Annual Parish Meeting.

1. THE MINUTES of the meeting of 27th May, 2010, which had been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2. POLICE REPORT

Sergeant Scott gave details of crime and calls to the police during the last month in the Old Catton and Sprowston West area. He said that all graffiti was being photographed and the offenders brought to justice. It was hoped that barriers would be installed in the near future to exclude vehicles when the shops were closed at The Paddocks car park. In answer to questions Sergeant Scott said that crimes were reducing year on year and that he hoped to be able to do more about speeding checks at Spixworth Road when the Safer Neighbourhoods Team was reorganised.

It was noted that the Vehicle Activated Signs at St Faiths Road did not show well and this would be reported to Norfolk County Council.

The Chairman thanked the Sergeant and his officers for all their work and the officer left the meeting.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

The report, which was incorporated into the newsletter, was accepted.

4. ACCOUNTS OF THE YEAR ENDING 31.03.2011

The accounts were accepted.

5. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES AND ORGANISATIONS.

Written reports were received from the Old Catton Society and the Friends of Catton Park.

Mr K Horne, on behalf of his wife, reported on the Old Catton Ladies Group, Mr B Palmer on the Horticultural Society, Mrs J Levers on the Women's Institute and Mr G Charlesworth on the Village website www.oldcatton.com and his work as Local Correspondent for the Evening News. Mr B Leggett spoke about the Village Hall Management Committee which was short of funds due to an unexpected big bill to repair the leaking roof and also had vacancies on its committee. Mrs G Renouf spoke briefly about the Friends of Catton Park.

6. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mr K Leggett referred to the Joint Core Strategy which was reported in Broadland News.

A resident asked about Section 106 agreements. Section 106 is a part of the Town and Country Planning Act that makes developers provide for additional infrastructure necessitated by their developments, like roads and libraries. The element that benefited the Parish Council was payment for recreation facilities, like playground equipment, and, recently, the new bowls and cricket building.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15 pm.

Chairman, 2012