

**OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 13TH AUGUST 2012,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET**

PRESENT: Chairman - Mr B Sabberton-Coe
Mr J Arnott Mr C Green Mr B Honess
Mr B Leggett Mr G Tingle Miss P Wilkin

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

23. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 9.7.2012

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

24. PLANNING

24.1. Planning application

A recommendation was made as attached.

24.2. Development at Spixworth Road

It was noted that traffic at Spixworth Road would be controlled by traffic lights, starting on 20.8.2012, while a gas main was installed to the site.

24.3. St Christopher's school conversion

The S106 monies of £9,799.91 was due as three of the flats were occupied. It had already been agreed that this would be used, retrospectively, to help pay for the new bowls and cricket building.

24.4. Application 20120722, 10 Mansel Drive. It was noted that Broadland District Council had refused consent for the proposed extension and that the applicant had appealed to the Planning Inspectorate.

25. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

25.1. New door for the ladies toilet.

It was AGREED to accept a quotation in the sum of £650.00 from ecoanglia.

25.2. Bollards.

It was noted that the style of bollard agreed at the last meeting would not allow the tractor to pass. The handyman had quoted £175.00 to make a suitable lockable bollard as well as two matching fixed bollards. It was AGREED to accept the quotation and to put the work in hand.

25.3. Kitchen.

It was AGREED to obtain quotations to bring the kitchen up to a suitable standard for consideration at the next meeting.

26. LAVARE` PARK

26.1. Condition of the ground.

Norse had continued to carry out remedial work to the ground.

26.2. Potential lease with Old Catton Junior Football Club

It was AGREED to write again to the Junior Football Club to ask for firm proposals for the potential lease and to ask for an urgent meeting. It was noted that the floodlights at Church Street Recreation Ground were in a poor state and that consideration to new floodlights at Lavare` Park was essential.

27. CEMETERY

Mr C Green had checked the Cemetery and reported that all was in order.

28. CHURCHYARD

It was not known if a faculty for the tree work had been given.

It was AGREED that the stinging nettles, that had been retained to attract butterflies, should be cut down.

29. STREET LIGHTING

29.1. It was noted that the bulk clean and change of half the lights had been carried out and some required remedial works identified, the cost of which totalled £925.76. It was AGREED to order the works to be done.

29.2. Lanterns. It was noted that six lanterns had been identified as obsolete, which would mean that they could not be replaced if they were damaged. It was AGREED to obtain a quotation to replace them for consideration at the next meeting.

29.3. Electrical testing. It was noted that the 17th IEE Regulations recommended that all street lighting assets be electrically tested, inspected and certified a minimum of every five years. T T Jones had suggested that a fifth of the lights be tested each year at a cost of £9.90 per light. This would cost about £600 each year. It was AGREED to place an order for this to be done.

29.4. Damaged light at Mansel Drive. It was noted that this column had been extensively damaged. T T Jones had quoted £1,432.86, including the service transfer by UK Power Networks, to replace the light. It was AGREED to put the work in hand and that members would visit Mansel Drive to attempt to identify how the column had been damaged.

30. FINANCE

30.1. The attached list of vouchers 178 to 243 with payments totalling £17,714.15 and receipts of £5,460.01 were approved. The bank reconciliation and comparison with the budget were noted.

31. HIGHWAY MATTERS

31.1. New Police Station at Hurricane Way. The meeting was concerned that it had not been consulted about this and that residents were being disturbed by police sirens during the night. It was AGREED to write to the Chief Constable asking for restraint in using sirens during the night.

31.2. It was AGREED to ask Norfolk County Council to expedite the reinstatement of the double yellow lines at Church Street

31.3. It was AGREED to ask Norfolk County Council to provide double yellow lines at the bends at the junction of Garrick Green with St Faiths Road where there were problems with vehicles parking. It was also AGREED to ask the Police to give this some attention.

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