THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF CASTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8TH MAY 2006 AT 8.10PM IN CASTON VILLAGE HALL. 186

Present: Mr J Chapman Chairman Mr P Hall Vice Chairman

> Mrs K Farmbrough Mr D Blincow Mr P Chapman Mrs E Kittell

1 Election of chairman:

Mr Blincow proposed Mr John Chapman, who was prepared to serve another term of office and Mr Hall seconded the proposal, **it was resolved** that Mr John Chapman take the chair.

Mr John Chapman signed his declaration of office.

Election of Vice Chairman:

Mr Peter Chapman nominated Mr Peter Hall, who was prepared to service another term of office, Mrs K Farmbrough seconded the proposal, **it was resolved** that Mr Peter Hall remain as Vice Chairman.

- 2 **It was resolved** to accept apologies from Mrs J Horner.
- It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 3rd April 2006 could be signed as a correct record, with one amendment, item 6 Matters to Report, inserting 'by attaining quality status'.
- 4 Declaration of interest in any agenda items: None Amendments to declaration of interests: Mrs E Kittell change of address.
- 5 Finance:
 - a) **It was resolved** that the parish council accounts could be adopted, the chairman and clerk signed the accounts. All councilors agreed the clerk could approach Mr D Dale to carry out the internal audit.
 - b) It was resolved that the Annual Return could be signed.
 - c) Parish council website, Mr Brian Brooker was prepared to be the web master, and felt that by having a web site it would give easy access and up to date to information about the parish council and parish events. He felt that initially taking the free option would be best, as he did not feel the advertising would be a problem. Concerns were raised as how, if issues were raised on the web site by parishioners, these issues would then be addressed by the parish council. It was suggested that these could be passed to the clerk/chairman for inclusion on the next parish council agenda. Mr Brooker offered to look into email for the clerk. The parish council thanked Mr Brooker for taking on this task.

It was resolved that the following cheques be drawn:

- d) RG Maintenance 2 cuts of the village green March 2006 £70.50.(Clerk to write regarding the none collection of cuttings in April 2006).
- e) Clerks pay and expensed 6 months £639.16.
- f) Allianz Cornhill parish council insurance £696.82.

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6 Planning:

- a) Nina Lond-Caulk-Allcrest The Street-Erection 3 bed bungalow-Awaiting response from Breckland.
- b) Mr D Flatt & Miss Fincham Cheldord House-Erection double garage- Permision granted.
- c)Mr & Mrs Maxwell-Alma House Northacre- extensions & alterations- Permission granted.

ADDITION TO AGENDA:

d)Mr C Hansford & Ms F Oag – Willow Barn Northacre – change of use of agricultural to garden – No objections.

7 Matters to report:

Letter from Norfolk County Council Highways regarding the T Junction at Carbrooke road adjoining Attleborough Road. Norfolk County Council Highways felt an extension to the speed limit would not be effective, experience had shown that without physical measures and in a situation with no properties either side of the road, drivers do not adhere to any speed restrictions, no consideration would be given to this. Secondly changing of priority at the junction to favour the B1077, as accidents appear to involve one vehicle this indicates bad judgment/driving was to blame and changing the priority could have an adverse effect. It was hoped that with the aid of signing and lining those drivers who genuinely miss the junction will be warned sooner and clearer. The clerk will send a copy of this letter to Mrs Kelly who raised the issue.

8 Home Watch:

Mr Bearne reported that a white male posing as a Anglian Water Board official had been reported in the village, he was working alone which is unusual, normally they work in twos. The clerk will place a warning in the Waylander for everyone to be vigilant and always ask for identification.

9 Village Appraisal:

The chairman read a letter from Mrs Bearne. Since the idea was first voiced at the Annual meeting of the parish on May 2005, to update the village appraisal of 2000/2001 volunteers were invited to form a group to take this idea forward. The group has produced a draft questionnaire. The Wayland partnership have advised on funding. The application for funding from the Breckland Community Grant for £200 is in hand and a further application will be made to Norfolk Rural Community Council for a further £200 total funding £400. Mrs Bearne will keep the parish council informed of progress.

10 Correspondence:

Councilors folder list attached to minutes.

Chairman read:

Norfolk Planning conference 15/6/06 The Assembly Rooms Swaffham 10.00am -3.30pm CPRE one day workshop 5/10/06 put into councilors folder.

Breckland Street Scene conference 6/7/06 put into councilors folder.

The chairman informed the council he had been contacted by Sarah Hill of Savills and was having a meeting with her regarding the sewage system proposed for Caston. He advised that things were progressing well and and the start date may be brought forward.

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Nothing to report, the clerk was asked to contact Mrs Pepperell as there had been no report since July 2005.

12 Matters for future discussion:

The clerk was asked to check the plans of the Meadows and establish the conditions regarding the hedge, and put on the next agenda the proposed sewage system for Caston

13 Public Participation:

Mr Bearne expressed his extreme disappointment with the letter from Norfolk County Council regarding the T Junction at Carbrooke Road & Attleborough Road, he felt it was a recipe for none action.

There being no further business the chairman closed at 9.20pm the next meeting of Caston parish council will be on Monday 5^{th} June at 7.30pm in Caston village hall.

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