



Caston Parish Council

CHAIRMAN: - Mr. J. Chapman VICE CHAIRMAN: - Mr. P. Hall

MEETING OF THE CASTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th October 2009 in Caston Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Councillors present: - Mr. J. Chapman - Chairman, Mr. P. Hall - Vice Chairman, Mr A. Bunn, Mr. D Blincow, Mr. P. Chapman, Mrs. K. Farmbrough, Mrs. J. Horner. Mr. J. Rogers (Breckland & County)
Also present: - Mr. K. Cummings, Mr. Jessett, Mr. R. Lond-Caulk, Mr. D. Metcalfe

1. To accept apologies for absence: - Colin Bearne (Homewatch). PCSO Tonya
2. The minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 7th September 2009. The minutes were handed out to the public and Councillors as Draft. It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting could be signed by the Chairman, as a true and correct record.
3. The following Declarations of Interest from members, in any item to be discussed were noted: - NONE
4. Planning. The following decisions were noted:-
 - A. Co-Dunkall at Bilhams Cottage, The Street - 2 new houses with garages (4 bed-detached). This application is going to be considered by committee at Breckland on 12th October 09.
 - B. Chapel Partners, The Red Lion Pub, Caston - change of use of building from a Public House to residential and demolition of flat roof extension between and main building and store. This application is also to be considered under Listed Buildings rules. Under consideration.
 - C. Mr. Doree, Abbots Gate annexe - removal of "obligations" for the annexe. Under consideration.
5. Finance: It was RESOLVED that the following payments could be made:-
 - A. A donation to the British Legion - £20.00 in budget.
 - B. A donation to Wayland First Response as this is for the benefit of the parishioners- £100.00 in budget.
 - C. A donation to Norfolk Lowland Rescue - no payment as it is not in the budget. More research is needed into this charity - to be added to list of donations requests for consideration in the 2010 precept budget.
 - D. Mazars (external auditors) - £57.50 in budget.
 - E. Parish 2010 precept budget and amount - to be added to the next agenda.
 - F. Addition to the agenda - RGM grass cutting for September - £71.30 in budget.
6. Matters To Report: - Clerk
 - A. Awards For All - The Chairman read the letter stating that the parish councils bid for an Awards for All grant for village enhancement was successful and the money would be paid into the account during October. Project planning could begin and this item is to be added to the next agenda to discuss when to have extra meetings if needed.
- 6.A The meeting was adjourned at 7.50pm to introduce Sue White from The Wayland Heritage Project. She apologised for being late. Leaflets were handed out to inform the council about the project which has 2 years to run. It is suggested that Caston start a history group with her help. Oral, pictorial, written and other evidence could be gathered to create a village archive. Weekly, monthly or bi-monthly meetings could be held in the village hall to link the evidence together. The school could also become involved as there would not be any age restriction. Some funding is available for training and events. The local newsletters and websites will be notified about this new community project and interest gauged to decide whether to hold an initial meeting and start the group.

The meeting was reconvened at 8.25pm.
7. Correspondence from: -
 - A. Town and Parish Councils Forum. October 29th 2009 in Swaffham. The clerk will attend.
 - B. Allianz Insurance cover for extra liabilities - the forms are to be returned after signing at the next meeting. This will mean the cover will not cost anything until the next renewal date.

8. Village and Parish Council Website - Mr B Brooker will report at the P. Council meeting in February 2010.
9. Home Watch: - Colin Bearne sent a message apologising for his absence and said that there had been no crimes to report in September.
10. Speed Watch: - One session had taken place in September.
11. Items for the next agenda: - 2010 Precept including donations list. Village enhancement project planning. Flaxmoor pavement repair. The Barns shop. Trees overhanging the footpath.

Councillor's folder circulated for information only

The next meeting will be Monday 2nd November in Caston Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.27pm.

CHAIRMAN: -

DATE: -

CLERK: - Alison Skipper 2009 5th October 2009

Report from Councillor John Rogers-

Breckland support the ~~LDF~~ Local Government Review (corrected 02.11.09) status quo. Vocational skills centre at Wayland High School opens at the end of the month. It is hoped to have evening classes for adults there as well. The LDF site specifics for Watton recommended developing the field opposite the Wayland Garage. This will include a new access road for the school off Thetford Road, taking the pressure off Merton Road. Norwich road Carbrooke road works are ongoing. The Griston Watton footpath still too expensive to complete.

Public Participation - None.