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 12th July 2010 in Caston Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Councillors present: - Mr. J. Chapman - Chairman, Mr A. Bunn, Mr. D Blincow, Mr. P. Chapman, Mrs. K. Farmbrough, Mrs. J. Horner. Mr. J. Rogers (Breckland & County)

Also present: -

- 1. To accept apologies for absence: Peter Hall.
- 2. The minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 7th June 2010 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. Proposed by Mr. Hall seconded by Mrs. Horner.
- 3. Declarations of Interest from members, in any item to be discussed were noted: None.
- 4. Planning. The following decisions were noted:-
 - A. Red Lion, Caston Alterations to public house & car park, conversion of store to dwelling and erection of new dwelling. Plus Alts to PH, inc. creation of flat. Erect a 3 bed house. Convert store to dwelling & alts to car park etc Listed Buildings consent. Awaiting final decision from Breckland Council regarding a 106 Agreement. It was noted that some of the Caston Camera Club members had recently taken photos of the interior of the pub for the owner.
 - B. Mrs. P. Perkins, East View, The Street demolition and erection of new front porch. Planning permission granted by Breckland Council.
- 5. Finance: It was RESOLVED that the following payments could be made:-
 - A. Donation to Rural Community Council membership for 2010/11 £15.00. In budget. Added by mistake from previous agenda.
 - A. Donation to Norfolk Accident and Rescue Service £75.00. In 2010/11 budget. Proposed by Mr. Blincow, seconded by Mrs. Horner.
 - B. Payment of £72.85 including VAT to RGM for grass mowing in the village during June. In 2010/11 budget. Proposed by Mrs. Horner, seconded by Mr. Bunn.
 - C. Clerks' wages and expenses to 30.06.10. Proposed by Mr. Hall seconded by Mrs. Horner.
 - D. Internal auditors' fee and expenses. Payment to Mr. Roger Canwell £32.00. In 2010/11 budget. Proposed by Mrs. Farmbrough, seconded by Mr P. Chapman.
- 6. Matters to report: Clerk
 - A. Coronation terrace. The Clerk had contacted the EDP, the MP, The Waylander magazine, and put up information on the notice boards in the village. After discussion it was agreed that this was a potential loss of a village amenity. The lack of foresight on the part of Breckland Council in changing the use of this amenity land may be a good article for the television news?
 - B. Changes in planning framework and information a new Government Bill about planning rules, has been added to the Councillors folder for reading.
- 7. Correspondence from: -
 - A. Police. A new Chief Inspector is to be appointed for this area. Information on this and other Police matters have been added to the Councillors folder for reading.
- 8. Speed Watch: 1 watch in May, 3 in June and 1 so far in July have resulted in several speeding motorists being recorded. It is hoped that 2-3 speed watch sessions will be held in August.
- 9. Awards for All. A meeting with the contractor who is refurbishing and surfacing of the village green has been booked for next week. It is hoped that this will take place by the end of this month. The residents in the vicinity will be notified so their cars can be placed elsewhere. The planters are not made as yet. The sizes are to be the same and placed to suit the verge sizes.

- 10. Home Watch: Colin Bearne reported: No crimes to report.
- 11. Items for the next agenda: -

A request from a parishioner to reinstate the "No ball games" notice on the green. Some old notices may still be in the possession of the PC. These could be reused if possible. Responses from villagers about Coronation Terrace.

Councillor's folder circulated for information only

The next meeting will be Monday 6th September in Caston Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

CHAIRMAN: -

DATE: -

District & County Councillor report and public participation: - Councillor John Rogers

CLERK: - Alison Skipper 12th July 2010

Report from Councillor John Rogers -

- The Norwich Rd, Watton roundabout is presently being held up by Breckland Council.
- The cycle path from Griston to Watton is most likely in budget despite the Govt. cuts. A crossing may be made near to the Wayland Garage in Watton, so the path opposite can be used for access to the school.
- Mr. Rogers apologised for no further news.

Public Participation -

- The maps produced by Breckland for the changes in the settlement boundary at Caston are too small to see. Could future maps be produced on a larger scale? The Clerk had requested larger scale maps last year at the beginning of the consultation but will do so again in the future.
- Walking from the Village School to The Green there are several garden plants and trees overhanging the footpath making access to the path difficult. The Clerk has been asked to write polite letters to the property owners where the gardens are causing a problem. It was also noted that on the corner of Lupin Cottage the hedge is overhanging the road.
- It has been requested that the diary of events concerning the acquisition of the land at Coronation Terrace, should be added to the Parish Council website for all the villagers to see. As some do not have access to the internet the Clerk has been asked to print copies for the residents and place them in the notice boards. A letter explaining the events is to be written by the Clerk and Mrs. Horner volunteered to distribute a copy to all the households in Caston.