



Caston Parish Council

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

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CASTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2010 in Caston Village Hall at 8.50p.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. B. Brooker (websites)

The Clerk asked for nominations for a new Chairman of the Parish Council. Mrs Horner nominated Mr. J. Chapman, Mr. P. Hall and M. A. Bunn seconded this. It was RESOLVED that Mr. J. Chapman should continue as Parish Council Chairman for 2010/11. The new Chairman signed the Declaration of Acceptance Office, also signed by the clerk.

The Clerk asked for nominations for a new Vice Chairman. Mr. Alan Bunn nominated Mr. P. Hall, seconded by Mrs. J. Horner and Mr. P. Chapman. It was RESOLVED that Mr. P. Hall should continue as Parish Council Vice Chairman for 2010/11.

The new Vice Chairman signed the Declaration of Acceptance Office; it was also signed by the clerk. All Councillors were handed a copy of the notice of Details of Financial and other Interests for each to fill out and sign.

The Chairman opened the new meeting.

1. To accept apologies for absence: - Mr. Bearne (Homewatch, Speed watch)
2. The minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 12th April 2010. 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: -
Mr. A Bunn - Item 4.A Mrs. J. Horner - Items 4.A and 5.B
4. The following decisions were noted:-
 - A. Mr. A. Bunn, Fallowfield, Northacre - continued use of residential property as living accommodation. Certificate of Lawfulness given from Breckland regarding living accommodation and garden land.
 - B. 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 3 bed house, convert store to dwelling & alts to car park etc Listed Buildings consent. Awaiting a decision from Breckland.
 - C. Mrs.P. Perkins, East View, The Street. Demolition and erection of new front porch. Under consideration.
5. Finance:
 - A. It was proposed by Mr. P. Chapman and seconded by Mr. P. Hall and RESOLVED to adopt the 2009/10 accounts of the Parish Council. These will be audited in June by the Auditor Mr. R. Canwell.
It was RESOLVED that the following payments could be made:-
 - B. Book of Remembrance money for photos. Repayment of photographic costs to Mrs. Horner - for recent additions to the Book of Remembrance in the church. The invoice has not yet been received as the photos may be lost in the post. To be added to the next agenda.
 - C. Donation to Wayland partnership of in budget at £60.00 for 2009/10 and/or in budget at £100 for 2010/11. It was proposed by Mr. P. Chapman and seconded by Mrs. J. Horner that both amounts should be sent to Wayland Partnership to help with their expenses.
 - D. Payment of £72.85 inc VAT to RGM. for April grass mowing in the village. In budget. It was proposed by seconded by Mrs. J. Horner and Mr. P. Chapman.
 - E. Payment for the Parish Council Insurance policy for 2010/11. The Clerk is to ask for the possibility of reduction in the cost if certain items are removed from the policy. It was agreed that a cheque

could be signed after the meeting, as soon as the figure was agreed, as the fee was due by 31st May.

- F. Addition to Agenda - Reimburse Mr. Brooker for payment for Village web site fees £24.95. In budget. It was proposed by Mr. P. Chapman and seconded by Mrs. K. Farmbrough. Mr. Brooker thanked the Councillors for the money.

6. Matters to report: - Clerk

- A. Coronation Terrace - results of meeting on 19th April at Breckland Council. Mrs. Farmbrough noted that Mr. Rogers had offered to represent the council at the meeting with Breckland in April. Mr. Rogers apologised, he did not represent us in this matter. The result of the meeting was sent to the clerk by email stating that the land next to the telephone kiosk was not to be included in the transfer to the PC. The councillors asked why we were led to believe that this was to be included and now Breckland council has changed its mind. The clerk informed the councillors of the conversation with Breckland regarding this matter and it was decided to send a letter to the leader of Breckland Council, Mrs. Zoe Footer and other parties to question their decision. A letter was drafted out by Mr. D. Blincow to be completed by the clerk. This was to accompany any printed information, maps etc. about the land transfer. This letter would be hand delivered by Mrs. J. Horner and receipted on delivery.
- B. Addition to the agenda - A letter was received from Highways stating that the proposed planters could be placed in the entrances to the village as long as a list of rules was adhered to and the consent form signed and returned. The councillors gave the clerk permission to purchase the wood for the planters.

7. Correspondence from: -

- A. Defence Estates information about the latest exercises has been placed on the notice boards.

Other items sent to the Councillors' folder is to be circulated for information only.

8. Speed Watch: - The team had not been on speed watch recently.

9. Village and Parish Council Website: - Mr B Brooker said that there were 6000 visitors to the village web site last years with 22500 pages visited. This represented a very busy site although the visits were down on last year a bit. The Parish Council web site had 2600 pages visited as this is mainly used by local villagers.

10. Home Watch: - Colin Bearne was absent.

11. Matters for future discussion: - Positioning of the new village seat on the Green plus items listed above.

The next meeting will be Monday 7th June in Caston Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

CHAIRMAN: -

DATE: -

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

CLERK: - Alison Skipper 10th May 2010

Report from Councillor John Rogers-

Mr. Rogers had nothing to report as his report was given in the Annual Meeting of the Parish in the previous hour. The public had no questions for him to answer.

Public Participation -

None.