

Acle Parish Council

Meeting Date: Monday, 18th April 2011
Venue: Methodist Church, Bridewell Lane, Acle
Time: 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mr B Brooks, Mr R Clarke, Mr B Coveley, Mr D Dickeson,
Mrs D Fisher, Mr B Grint, Mr J Harriss, Mr N Law, Mr R Perry,
Mr B Tibbenham (Chairman).
Brian Iles (County Councillor)

1. PUBLIC FORUM

There were eleven members of the public present. Brian Iles gave a report on Norfolk County Council matters.

2. APOLOGIES Mrs E Elliott

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None.

4. MINUTES The minutes of the meeting held on 28th March 2011 were agreed to be correct and were signed by Basil Tibbenham as Chairman of the Parish Council.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1 A thank you card has been received from some of the young people who use the new goal post in Damgate Lane.

5.2 It was confirmed that the Council is insured for the private grit bins.

5.3 There has been some correspondence in the local press about the consultation period for the Joint Core Strategy. Town and Parish Councils have been consulted on this document at several stages and the current consultation is only on the legal basis of the document, not on the detail. 100 – 200 houses over the next few years are recommended for Acle in the document.

5.4 The rector of Acle has sent his thanks to the Council for paying for the grasscutting for the churchyard.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Councils are being consulted on The Broads Authority Site Specific Policies Development Plan Document. It was agreed that land for a cemetery extension should be highlighted, together with the protection of the Acle Lands Trust lands, areas for housing in Damgate Lane and a possible extension for the playing field.

- 6.2 The BA has also sent notification of the submission of its Development Management Policies as part of the Local Development Framework. This was noted.
- 6.3 General Sir David Richards has asked communities to fly an Armed Forces Day Flag for the week leading up to Armed Forces Day on 20th June.
- 6.4 The police authority has carried out a review of the Safer Neighbourhood Action Panels; it has concluded that they are valued but that more should be done to attract younger residents to join the meetings.
- 6.5 Councillors are invited to a celebration of 10 years of the Broadland Flood Alleviation Project, on Wednesday, 1st June at 11 a.m.
- 6.6 It was agreed to renew membership of The East Norfolk Transport Users Association and to send a donation for £10.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

7.1 Plans discussed at the meeting:

- i) **Mrs Axten, land rear of The Cottage, The Green** – application for a new planning permission to replace extant PP 20080335 – erection of dwelling, garage and formation of new access. The councillors had no objections to the plans.
- ii) **Mr Hodgson, Bedlam Cottage, Reedham Road** – two bungalows (outline). The councillors had no objections to the plans as such, so long as the access has been approved by NCC Highways.

7.2 Planning results from **Broadland District Council**:

- i) **Acle Garden Machinery** – revised showroom extension – full approval

7.3 A letter has been received concerning possible development on land in Damgate Lane. The clerk has explained that the Parish Council does not generally consider pre-application discussions but that the Council has highlighted this area of land to BDC for possible consideration for housing.

7.4 Broadland District Council has confirmed that if the craft shop is to change from retail to estate agent, then planning permission would be needed for this change of use class.

8. HIGHWAY MATTERS

8.1 A contractor, George Taylor, has been requested to carry out repairs to the grass on The Green and has recommended re-seeding when there has been more rain. The clerk was asked to let him know that there is a duct under the land from the lamppost to the Christmas tree fixing point.

8.2 Tony Hemmingway will re-fix the bolts for the seat on The Green.

- 8.3 The clerk was asked to contact NCC about flowerpots on the edge of the highway in Reedham Road.
- 8.4 It was reported that there is flooding in the underpass again, with running water from land nearby.
- 8.5 It was suggested that NCC should be reminded of the request for a pedestrian crossing at Bridewell Lane, especially as there is likely to be increased use of the library following the extension.

9. STREET LIGHTING

Nothing to report.

10. INDOOR STREET PARTY ON 30TH APRIL AND ACLE REGATTA ON 21ST/22ND MAY

- 10.1 The event will be open to the public from 3 – 5 pm.
- 10.2 The risk assessment has been received from the committee for Acle Regatta. The profits from the event will be shared between charitable causes.

11. FINANCE

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Receipts:

Reimb. Costs 122.74

Burial and memorial fees 615.00

Cheques for payment:

HMRC – PAYE & NIC 618.01

M Ward – cleaning, incl holiday pay 965.84

P James – clerk's fee and exps 987.68

Norfolk ALC – subs 369.69

Broker Network – insurance 2,443.75

Nfk Playing Fields Ass'n - subs 25.00

Nfk Rural Community Councils – subs 15.00

T T Jones – lighting repairs 233.89

Garden Guardian – grasscutting 1,073.86

Norfolk Pension 201.55

Copy IT – copying 52.44

Internal Drainage Board – rates 37.59

Hugh Crane Cleaning Equipment 41.76

Upton Parish Council – share of stationery 4.82

Wilkersons – consumables 42.27

East Nfk Transport Users Ass'n –subs 10.00

Savings Account 43,000

Fixed Term Deposit 100,000

Gilts 119,281

12. CEMETERY

Nothing further to report.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday, 23rd May 2011.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00p.m.

Signed.....
Chairman

Dated: 23rd May 2011