

Acle Parish Council

Meeting Date: Monday, 28th April 2008
Venue: Methodist Church, Bridewell Lane, Acle
Time: 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mr B Brooks, Mr R Clarke, Mrs D Fisher, Mr B Grint,
Mr J Harriss, Mrs L Hemsall, Mr R Perry,
Mr B Tibbenham (Chairman).

1. PUBLIC FORUM

There were eleven members of the public present. Matters raised included the village appraisal and the proposed archaeological dig on the land behind Springfield.

2. **APOLOGIES** Mr B Coveley, Mr D Dickeson, Mrs E Elliott and Mr N Law
Brian Iles (County Councillor), Acle Safer Neighbourhood Team

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None.

4. **MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting held on 31st March 2008 were signed as correct by the Chairman.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1 Acle First Responders are advertising for volunteers so that they have enough members to start up the group. The cheque will be held until it is confirmed that the group is definitely running.

5.2 NCC is to meet with the clerk shortly to discuss possible planting plans for the smaller roundabout - the other roundabout is Highways Agency responsibility.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Broadland Home Watch AGM is to be held on 23rd June at 7.30 p.m. at Thorpe End Village Hall.

6.2 BDC's Annual Meeting with Parish and Town Councils will be held on Wednesday, 16th July and will discuss the Boundary Commission's review.

6.3 Members of the public are invited to the Acle Safer Neighbourhood Team Public Participation Meeting at Rackheath on Thursday, 29th May at 7 p.m.

6.4 The NHS has asked sent a consultation on the proposed GP-led Heath Centre which will absorb the roles currently carried out at the walk-in centre at Sainsburys and will offer more services. The councillors regretted the closure of the walk-in centre at Pound Lane as they knew that local residents find that very useful.

6.5 Acle High School has written to ask permission to use the land behind Springfield for another archaeological dig. The councillors supported this project.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

7.1 Plans discussed at the meeting:

i) **Mr Cullumbine, land adj 72 Old Road** - erection of dwelling. The councillors objected to the plans as they felt the proposed raised land level would result in the boundary fences being too high and unneighbourly. They had no objections to the building itself.

ii) **Mr & Mrs Dabbs, 16 De Carle Smith Road** - conservatory to rear. The councillors had no objections to the plans.

iii) **BT, Nuttalls Compound, A1064** - two temporary telegraph poles 8.2m high. The councillors had no objections to the plans.

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

i) **Travelodge** - hardstanding and three LPG tanks - full approval.

ii) **Mr Bayfield, Ivy House** - internal and external alterations, replacement thatched roof (listed building) - listed building approval.

iii) **Mr Stimpson, 16 Englands Road** - erection of conservatory to rear - full approval.

8. HIGHWAY MATTERS

8.1 Works will start on 6th May in Mill Lane and Aldis Road to install a surface water drainage system.

8.2 Mott MacDonald have sent details of the cycle parking scheme discussed earlier in the year; cycle parking will be placed at the Kings Head bus stop (as part of work to install a Disability Discrimination Act compliant bus stop), Folly Tree Green by Kents, Acle Library (replacing existing facilities with four cycle stands) and at Acle Medical Centre. Work will also be carried out to relocate the bus stop at Barclays Bank to New Road to meet DDA requirements. The councillors welcomed the cycle park provisions and improvements to the bus stop at the Kings Head, but were concerned that moving the bus stop to New Road would move it from the centre of the village and would not be popular, especially as some buses do not run along New Road.

8.3 The clerk has contacted NCC to ask that the double yellow lines not be repainted along The Street following the resurfacing works, only to be removed as part of the changes to the parking restrictions.

8.4 It was reported that the road surface on Reedham Road is poor.

9. STREET LIGHTING

- 9.1 The new lights have been installed.
- 9.2 Some lights were reported for repair.

10. PARISH PLAN

No news to report.

11. WHERRY LINES PARTNERSHIP - ACLE STATION WEBSITE

There has been a request from the Wherry Lines Partnership for funding towards a new website www.aclestation.org.uk, which will open to feature Acle Station and travel details and will have links to the village website and other local sites. Wherry Lines will pay for half of the costs. It was agreed to pay the £150 for the first year and the £50 for subsequent years.

12. FINANCE

£

Receipts:

Reimbursement fees	16.82
Funeral fees	680.00
Income from noticeboards advertising	440.00
Grant for noticeboards	2,250.00
Memorial fees	135.00

Cheques for payment:

G Rope - repairs at Fletcher Room	30.50
R James - delivering AGM notices	79.80
P James - clerk's fee and expenses	670.43
Norfolk Pension Fund	129.94
T T Jones - lighting repairs	118.85
Acle Pre-School - replacement vacuum cleaner	172.49
MHB Services - replacement lanterns	1,668.50
Acle PCC - grant for grass cutting	1,000.00
Nfk Playing Field Ass'n - subs	20.00
NCAPTC - subs	357.27
Garden Guardian - grass cutting March	922.67
Wilkersons - supplies	14.37
Hugh Crane - supplies	3.76
Acle Methodist Church - room hire	42.00
M Ward -cleaning	778.72
Inland Revenue - PAYE & NIC	640.71
NCS - grass cutting at Fletcher Room	74.73
Acle Pre-school - locksmith	45.00
Zurich Insurance	3,200.32

These invoices were approved for payment.

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday, 19th May 2008.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

Signed.....
Chairman

Dated: 19th May 2008