

Acle Parish Council

Meeting Date: Monday, 27th March 2006
Venue: Methodist Church, Bridewell Lane, Acle
Time: 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mr B Brooks, Mr R Clarke, Mr B Coveley, Mr C Dove,
Mrs E Elliott, Mrs D Fisher, Mr B Grint, Mr J Harriss,
Mr A Hemmingway, Mr N Law, Mr R Perry,
Mr B Tibbenham (Chairman).

Nigel Law was welcomed to the Parish Council as the recently co-opted councillor. He signed a declaration of acceptance of office and has already completed a register of interests form.

1. PUBLIC FORUM

There were eleven members of the public present, together with Brian Iles (County Councillor) and Charlotte Casimir (District Councillor). Matters raised included the Hermitage Close bus shelter, Reedham Road footway, Norwich Road footway and problems with using the local waste tip. The Police gave a report on crimes in the village.

2. APOLOGIES

None.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None.

4. MINUTES The minutes of the meeting held on 27th February 2006 were signed as correct by the Chairman.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1 The footway in St Edmunds Road has been programmed for repair.

5.2 The Council will contact NCC again about speeding along A1064.

5.3 It was reported that there has been a spate of vandalism in the Mill Lane area.

5.4 Basil Tibbenham proposed that Nigel Law should take his place on the Recreation Centre Trustees. This was agreed.

5.5 A letter of objection was received from neighbours concerning a planning application for a property in Middlesex Lane. It was confirmed that the councillors had recorded no objections to this application at the last meeting.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 BDC has sent questionnaires for people over 50 to ascertain their current physical activities as part of an Older Persons Physical Activities Project.

6.2 A mapping system is offered to parish councils, for £217 per annum. It was agreed that it did not seem appropriate to pay this when most information is available on the Internet.

6.3 Councillors are invited to a Leader+ Broads and Rivers Showcase Event at Fairhaven Gardens on 11th May to encourage projects in the area. Funding is to cease at the end of 2006.

6.4 BDC has confirmed that two litter bins are on the waiting list for Acle but will hopefully be issued in the new financial year if finances permit.

6.5 BDC has sent details of the current Local Plan Replacement, which will be adopted shortly. The process to draw up a Local Development Framework starts shortly. Councils will be consulted at each stage.

6.6 It was agreed to support the campaign to retain the post office card account.

6.7 Out of School Club - correspondence has been received from Helen Banks, Headteacher at Acle Primary School and the Reverend Dan Bond expressing their concern at the Council's decision not to award a grant to support the Club.

6.8 Acle Youth Club has requested a donation of £500 towards a programme of skills development for youngsters to become young leaders, over the summer of 2006. These young people will help plan and organise the summer outings for the club members. It was agreed to discuss this request at a meeting on 10th April.

6.9 The Pre-school has requested a donation of £1063.00 to purchase shade sails to provide shelter from the sun adjacent to the Fletcher Room. It was agreed to discuss this request at a meeting on 10th April. It was also agreed to raise the issue of grants with the public by placing this on the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

7.1 Plans discussed at the meeting:

i) **Mr & Mrs Pearce, Breydon Lodge, New Road** - conservatory to rear.

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

i) **Budgens, Norwich Road** - replacement signage - advertisement approval.

ii) **Mr Debbage and Ms Stockwell, Bridgeside, Reedham Road** - alterations of extensions to form additional ground and first floor accommodation - full approval.

iii) **Mr & Mrs Day, The Limes, The Street** - change of use of offices to single dwelling, alterations to form two garages erection of wall - full approval.

iv) **Mr & Mrs Day, The Limes, The Street** - part demolition of outbuilding and alterations to form two garages (listed building) - listed building approval.

v) **Mr & Mrs Nicholls, Far End, Pyebush Lane** - single storey side extension replacing existing garage - full approval.

8. HIGHWAY MATTERS

8.1 There were concerns at parking near to the dentist's which causes a traffic hazard.

8.2 It was also reported that heavy lorries are parking on the verge in New Road. Parking on the verges was also reported in Crossway Terrace and South Walsham Road opposite to the High School.

8.3 It was agreed to organise the hanging baskets for the area around The Green.

9. STREET LIGHTING

9.1 It was agreed to leave further improvements to street lighting until funding requirements for other projects are known.

9.2 The street light on New Road is still broken.

10. PARISH PLAN

Brian Grint gave a report on the recent meeting; the various topics for the questionnaire have been divided up amongst the volunteers.

11. CEMETERY EXTENSION

A letter of acknowledgement has been received from NCC Legal Department.

12. ACLE REGATTA

A quote for insurance is awaited.

13. FINANCE

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Receipts:

Burial ground fees	870.00
UPC - reimb exps	36.98
SWPC - reimb. exps	20.70

Cheques for payment:

EON (DD) - lighting	455.35
Cleanaway (DD) - skip hire	198.72
Siemens (DD) - copier	211.03
P James - clerk's fee and exps	720.02
Inland Revenue - PAYE & NIC	375.76
Mick Ward - cleaning	489.67
T T Jones - lighting repairs	209.74
Norfolk Pension	118.86

Hugh Crane - cleaning equipment	12.06
SWPC - reimb. stationery	23.01
PHS Group - waste disposal	1,010.43
Wilkersons - consumables	15.83
RBS Software - maintenance accounts	58.75
Arthur Jary & Sons -refund ashes fee	40.00
Basil Tibbenham - allowance	45.00

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday, 24th April 2006.

Annual Parish Meeting on 10th April 2006.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.

Signed.....
Chairman

Dated: 24th April 2006