

**DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecote Parish Council
on Thursday 21st February 2008 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Meeting Room**

Present: Cllr Jack Lang (Chairman), Cllr Tom Footman, Cllr Neale Whyatt, Cllr Fiona Whelan and Cllr Alan Levett.

In attendance: Mr. Roger Hume (Clerk) and one member of the public.

Members of the public were invited to make comments relevant to the agenda before the meeting was formally opened.

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Apologies were received from Cllr Newby and Cllr Breeze, Cllr Hawkins absent.

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The following declarations of interest were declared and recorded in the book.

S/0188/08/F Cllrs Levett and Footman who live in the same road (non prejudicial) .

335 (a) Meetings - The village hall committee have requested that the council consider holding all meetings in the meeting room to free up the large hall for other bookings.

On a resolution by Cllr Whelan and seconded by Cllr Lang, it was resolved to use the meeting room for all meetings, if a large number of residents are expected efforts will be made to book the large hall.

338.(a) Finance and procedural matters

338.1 (a) Councillor Vacancy – Vacancy caused by the death of Cllr Phillips. No election has been called so the council can now co-opt a new Councillor. The clerk has posted notices of the vacancy on the notice board and arranged for it to be on the web site. Residents (on the electoral roll) who are interested in standing should notify the clerk by 5th March for consideration at the next meeting on 6th March.

340a (a) To attend to Planning received since the previous meeting

340. 1(a) S/0188/08/F 109a Highfields Road, Highfields Caldecote, installation of 4 roof lights and 2 windows - (Resulting from refusal of S2197/07/F)

Recommended for refusal

There were specific restrictions on the original approval to protect the privacy of neighbouring properties and should be continued.

The use of roof lights would not improve the overlooking problem sufficiently.

Concern was expressed about the lack of escape routes in an emergency.

All councillors were in agreement.

Decisions by South Cambs District Council

S2393/07/F Extension - 30 Strympole Way

Approved

341.6 (a) Maintenance - to confirm the contractors for village maintenance.

MD Landscapes will continue to maintain public open spaces and verges. Buchans will maintain the sports area, with Pro-Scape carrying out the sand top dressing this time.

341.10 (a) Dog fouling – A report had been received naming an individual and the clerk was asked to write to the suspected dog owner to ask that she clear up after her dog, This is a reportable offence

343 (a) Closure of meeting

Date of next Parish Council meeting is Thursday 6th March 2008

Sport and recreation working party Monday February 25th

Signed _____ Chairman _____ Date _____