

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Standards Committee held on
Thursday, 28 July 2011 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT: Kathy English (Independent Member) – Chairman
Alan Hampton – Vice-Chairman

Members:	Diane Best	Independent Member
	Rick Bristow	Parish Member
	Nigel Cathcart	District Council Member, non-group
	Michael Farrar	Parish Member
	Janet Lockwood	District Council Member, Liberal Democrat Group
	Simon Martin	Parish Member
	Cicely Murfitt	District Council Member, non-group
	Tony Orgee	District Council Member, Conservative Group
	Raith Overhill	Independent Member
	Mary Pilfold-Allan	Independent Member
	Eric Revell	Independent Member
	James Williams	Independent Member
Officers:	Maggie Jennings	Democratic Services Officer
	Fiona McMillan	Legal & Democratic Services Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer

The Chairman welcomed Rick Bristow and Simon Martin, the newly appointed Parish Members to their first meeting of the Standards Committee.

Apologies for absence were received from John House and Councillors Alex Riley and Jim Stewart.

67. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

68. BARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL: REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

The Deputy Monitoring Officer presented a report containing a request made by eight Barrington Parish Councillors for dispensations in respect of issues concerning Barrington Green.

On the proposal of Councillor Cicely Murfitt, seconded by Councillor Nigel Cathcart, the Standards Committee,

AGREED

- (a) to grant a dispensation until May 2015, the duration of the current Parish Council, to Barrington Parish Councillors Cooper, Day, Fletcher, Hardman, Monk, Petter, Van de Weyer and Whybrow in respect of issues concerning Barrington Green, with the reminder that they were still to declare an interest in any matters concerning Barrington Green by stating, "I am a member of the Custodian Trustee of The Green Charity Barrington", and to declare that they have received a dispensation for that interest, and
- (b) that the Parish Council be advised that any new parish councillors elected or co-opted to the Parish Council should apply for similar dispensations as soon as reasonably practicable after election or co-option.

69. BARTON PARISH COUNCIL: REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

The Deputy Monitoring Officer presented a report containing a request made by five of the nine members of Barton Parish Council, all of whom were Trustees and members of the management committee of the Barton Recreation Ground Improvement Group (BRIG) for dispensations to remain in meetings and vote on all matters relating to working with BRIG to provide facilities in the village for recreation and other leisure time occupations.

On the proposal of Alan Hampton, seconded by Councillor Tony Orgee, the Standards Committee,

AGREED

- (a) to grant dispensations until May 2015, the duration of the current Parish Council, from items relating to Barton Parish Recreation Ground Improvement Group (BRIG) to Barton Parish Councillors, Hugh Greenfield, Mary MacDonald, Margaret Penston, Tim Scott and Nigel Siddall, with the reminder that they were still to declare an interest in any matters concerning BRIG by stating "I declare an interest as a Trustee and member of the management committee of Barton Recreation Ground Improvement Group, for which I have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee", and
- (b) that Barton Parish Council be advised that any newly elected or co-opted Parish Councillors who are also Trustees and members of the management committee of Barton Recreation Ground must apply for dispensations immediately upon their election or co-option.

70. COTON PARISH COUNCIL: REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

The Deputy Monitoring Officer presented a report containing a request made by all members of Coton Parish Council who applied for a dispensation to enable all eight members to remain in meetings and vote on matters relating to Coton Recreation Ground.

On the proposal of Councillor Cicely Murfitt, seconded by Councillor Janet Lockwood, the Standards Committee,

AGREED

- (a) to grant dispensations until May 2015, the duration of the current Parish Council, to Coton Parish Councillors, Rosemary Darling, Geoff Diplock, Godard, McLoughlin, Sadler, Smart, Storkey and Wilson with the reminder that they were still to declare an interest in any matters concerning Coton Recreation Ground by stating, "I declare an interest as a member of the Trustee of Coton Recreation Ground, for which I have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee", and to declare that they have received a dispensation for that interest, and
- (b) that the Parish Council be advised that any newly elected or co-opted Parish Councillors must apply for dispensations immediately upon their election or co-option.

71. FOXTON PARISH COUNCIL: REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

The Deputy Monitoring Officer presented a report containing a request made by the members of Foxton Parish Council who applied for a dispensation to enable all nine members, who are Trustees of Foxton Recreation Group, to remain in meetings and vote on matters relating to the Foxton Recreation Ground Trust.

On the proposal of Alan Hampton, seconded by Councillor Tony Orgee, the Standards Committee,

AGREED

- (a) to grant dispensations until May 2015, the duration of the current Parish Council, to Foxton Parish Councillors, Geoffrey Barnes, Malcolm Bore, Liam Elliott, Colin Grindley, Rachael Macintyre, Ronald McCreery, Christine McFadzean, Nigel Oakley and Peter Sutton in respect of issues concerning Foxton Recreation Ground, with the reminder that they were still to declare an interest in any matters concerning Foxton Recreation Ground by stating, "I declare an interest as a Trustee of the Foxton Recreation Ground, for which I have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee", and to declare that they have received a dispensation for that interest. This should be included in full in the minutes of any meeting where the dispensation has been used, and
- (b) That the Parish Council are advised that any new parish councillors elected or co-opted to the Parish Council must apply for similar dispensations as soon as reasonably practicable after election or co-option.

72. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting would be held at 10am on Wednesday, 14 September 2011.

The Meeting ended at 10:08am
