MINUTES OF A MEETING OF UPWOOD AND THE RAVELEYS PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Monday, 7th January 2008 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Mr C Racey Chairman

Mr T Bell Mr N Gowler Mrs F Hopkins Mr D Paine Mrs J Paxton Mr A Perkins Mr K Sisman

Clerk and one member of the public

1. Apologies

Mr D McCreadie and Mr J Rignall.

2. Declarations of Interest

Mr Racey declared an interest in the planning application for 65 Huntingdon Road, Upwood, under Item 9 on the agenda.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 3rd December 2007.

The minutes were confirmed with two minor amendments and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising

Mr Paine advised that he had been in contact with HDC (Tracey, ref. 770600) in connection with the litter bin near the play area. Arrangements have been made for the bin to be emptied on a regular basis, but situation will be monitored over the coming months.

Mr Sisman advised that the reflector post at the junction of Ramsey Road and Huntingdon Road has not yet been replaced.

Correspondence

Community Action Winter 2007 magazine of Cambridge ACRE Glasdon – newsletter and leaflets Shaw & Sons Limited – newsletter and leaflets Cambridgeshire County Council – Parish Paths Partnership (P3) 2008/09 Keith and Sarah Sisman – letter re school travel plan

Luminus Group – copy press statement

Serjeant & Son – letter re Mary Elizabeth Mawdesley Will Trust

Cambridgeshire County Council - Tackling Congestion in Cambridgeshire - Evening Briefing

Government Office for the East Midland – Publication of the Draft East Midlands Plan Panel Report

Huntingdonshire District Council – 1APP – "The biggest change to the planning system in years"

Manor House Nursing Home – reply to Clerk's letter dated 4th December 2007

Cambridgeshire County Council - Winter Maintenance Leaflets

Cambridgeshire Constabulary – Cambridgeshire Neighbourhood Watch leaflets COPE – Newsletter No 40.

Tina Foulds - letter acknowledging receipt of Magpas cheque for £100

Clerks & Councils Direct - newsletter

BGN – quotation for grass cutting contract

6. Cheques

Upwood and The Raveleys Village Hall £44.22 Clerk £234.76

Maintenance

Grass cutting. The quotes received from Barries Gardening Needs and L T Gray General Builders were discussed. Clerk to contact Mr Gray to ascertain whether price quoted is dependent on the 18 cuts quoted for in his letter dated 30th November 2007.

No. 12 Ailwine Road. Mr Racey and Mr Rignall and also Mr Paine inspected rear of garages at 12 Ailwine Road. Mr Paine advised that he had contacted HDC who advised they needed to ascertain the submission of the previous planning applications. After further discussion it was agreed that Mr Racey should approach Mr Papworth for a quotation to deal with the overgrown state of the boundary and if quote is up to the sum of £100 then the go ahead should be given for the work to be undertaken. Proposed by Mr Sisman, seconded Mr Paine.

Hand gate and lock for large gate. Mr Gowler raised the question of whether a hand gate is really needed at the entrance. Agenda item for next meeting.

8. Emergency Planning Awareness Session

Mr Sisman and Mrs Paxton attended Seminar at Hinchingbrooke. It was suggested that Mr Sisman and Mrs Paxton put together a basic action plan for any emergencies which may arise in the future with the school being the focal point.

Mr Gowler advised that a plan had been prepared in the past. Agenda item for meeting in two months.

9. Planning

0703807FUL – Erection of grain store and general purpose agricultural building – Land North East of 65 Huntingdon Road Upwood – recommended with the suggestion that trees and hedging be provided to form a natural screening. 0704161FUL – Rebuilding and extension of frontage wall – 11 High Street Upwood - recommended

10. Any Other Business

Neighbourhood Policing – Mr Sisman advised that local communities are being represented at these meetings and he is happy to attend on behalf of the Parish Council and will be mentioning the speed at which some cars pass through Upwood.

Mention was made of the hedging and ditch along Farm Close at the entrance to the School. Agenda item for next meeting.

Mrs Paxton advised that there is some confusion as to when and what bins are put out. Clerk to contact HDC to ascertain if a calendar for the year is available.

Mrs Hopkins asked whether a list of donations made by the Parish Council during the last 12 months could be made available. Clerk to send out with next Agenda.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.