MINUTES OF A MEETING OF UPWOOD AND THE RAVELEYS PARISH COUNCIL Held on Monday, 6th April 2009 at 7.30pm at Upwood Village Hall

Present	Mr D Paine	Chairman
	Mr N Gowler	
	Mr G Hillman	
	Mr D Oldale	
	Mr A Perkins	
	Mr C Racey	
	Mr J Rignall	
	Mr K Sisman	
	Clerk	
	Co Cllr Mr Victor Lu	icas and 3 members of the public

1. Apologies

Mr D McCreadie and Mrs J Paxton. Mr T Bell was absent.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

3. Minutes of meetings held on Monday, 2nd March 2009

These were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising

Mr Racey advised that he had spoken to Mr Ogden, but had heard nothing further. Mr Paine advised that he had spoken to Dan Smith with regard to funding and again had heard no more. Agenda item for next meeting under maintenance.

5. Correspondence

Email – Ben Lane – Introducing his services in tree surgery. Added to contractor list Letter – Beattie Communications – RAF Upwood regeneration

Email – Councillor Ian Bates – Evidence of the impact of the economic downturn on Huntingdonshire's communities, businesses and services and evidence report

Email – Cambridgeshire County Council – new contact centre telephone number listing

- Email Robert Ward, HDC removal of can banks sites in District
- Email Walcom Ltd introducing their audio visual services

Letter – HDC – Compost giveaways

Letter – Cambridgeshire County Council – acknowledging Clerk's letter

Letter – J S Kirk, resident of Great Raveley – praising Speedwatch visit Letter - Great Fen Project Letter - Mr Robin Cutting - behaviour of children in play area Letter – Mrs Gillian Linford – request for memorial bench Letter - HDC - Development Control Panel dates and agenda order for 2009/10 Letter – Cambridgeshire County Council – acknowledging Clerk's letter Letter - Cambridgeshire County Council - changes to Stagecoach and Whippet services Letter - Peterborough City Council - Consultation on Further Additional Mineral and Waste Development Proposals Letter - Information Commissioner's Office plus CD Letter - Cambridgeshire ACRE The Playing Field - Cambridgeshire Playing Fields Association Newsletter Cambridgeshire Local Access Forum - meetings and forum poster HDC - Countryside Events & Activities April and May 2009 Play opportunities for young people in Huntingdonshire - Workshop HDC – Arts Diary March/April Leaflets - Hinchingbrooke Spring Music Leaflets - Great Fen Concerts Glasdon - latest products for local Councils Cambridgeshire Together - poster and leaflets - Weather the storm Leaflet - onlineplaygrounds.co.uk

6. s137 Donation Request

• East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH) After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council was unable to support the request for a donation at this time.

7. Cheques

Mr L T Gray	£319.50
Serjeant & Son	£220.28
Moore Stephens	£204.13
Village Hall	£41.40
Clerk	£226.50 (inc postage)
Mr B C Edwards	£74.49

8. Maintenance

Mr Paine commented on quality of cut in cemetery and also advised that Mr Gray had cut the verge as a gesture of goodwill.

Mr Hillman queried extent of cut that Parish Council responsible for, in particular grass verges. Members advised that verges are responsibility of Highways Department.

Mr Hillman advised that flexible marker posts were missing and he advised Highways Department. It appears some have been replaced, but not all. He will chase again.

Mr Hillman advised there was running water from the junction of Longholme Road to Farm Close. Anglian Water had been contacted, but they advised Mr Hillman they could not find it! Mr Hillman to follow up again.

Mr Racey advised that Mrs Racey had telephoned Highways Department in connection with the culvert at Charters Spinney. Highways Department advised that they were waiting for water level to recede.

Mr Oldale advised that the dog excrement bin had been emptied upon request to County Council, but now rubbish is being deposited in the bin.

9. Parking problems in High Street

Mr Sisman advised that this was ongoing situation.

10. Planning

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended): Outline planning application: Demolition and clearance of redundant buildings, removal of redundant fixed infrastructure, reclamation of remediation of redevelopment for mixed uses, including housing (at least 650 units), employment (at least 10 hectares) Neighbourhood Centre and landscaped open space: Former RAF Upwood, Cambridgeshire – Adrian Sail of Strawsons, owner of RAF Upwood, and Victoria Walker of Beattie Communications attended meeting to give a further briefing.

0900345FUL – Extension to dwelling – 16 Lincoln Road, Upwood – *no observations either in favour or against the proposal*

0801040FUL – alterations and extension to farm buildings and change of use to office accommodation at 'Townsend Farm' High Street Upwood – *Letter sent to Planning Department confirming Parish Council's approval of the scheme*

Letter - Huntingdonshire District Council – Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Trees) Regulations 1999 Huntingdonshire District Council Tree Preservation Order Number: L/TPO/263 (2009) 21 Bentley Close

Letter received from Mr C J Ingle expressing his disappointment at Council's decision to refuse his application for 88 High Street Upwood

11. Any other business

Letter received from Mr Cutting expressing concern at the behaviour and foul language of the children using the play area. Mr Sisman advised that the police should be involved in this matter and members all agreed that the problem needs to be addressed. Mr Paine had visited Mr Cutting's property and had witnessed anti-social behaviour. He had emailed police headquarters, but received no response as yet. Agenda item for next meeting.

At this point a member of the public mentioned the KITE (Kids in Their Element) scheme run from Upwood School.

There being no further business the Chairman thanks all those present and closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

Mr Paine then invited Adrian Sail of Strawsons, owner of RAF Upwood, and Victoria Walker of Beattie Communications to give a further briefing on the regeneration of the RAF Upwood site. Brochures were handed out to all those present with questions being raised by Councillors and members of the public.