

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held on Tuesday 28th August 2012 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, (Mrs F Childs Min:2), Mrs H Harbottle, Mr D Smith, Mr C Stokes & Mrs L Welton

Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC) and 6 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr R Gibbs (work commitments abroad), Mr A Bracey, Mr P Roberts & Mr I McCord (SNC) (on holiday)

2. Casual Vacancy to be filled by Co-option

CV for Frances Childs circulated (present) > unanimous decision - welcomed back onto the council

2A. Declaration of Acceptance and Financial Interest Declaration

Cllr Childs duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance and Financial Interests Declaration; Issued with Code of Conduct, Standing Orders and other notices and Docs required

3. Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the Agenda)

None

4. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 31st July 2012

31st July 2012 were approved and signed as a correct record

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes (for information only)

(a) Iron Trunk parking issues Minute 4(a)

Parking issues raised obstruction the village + Lock Lane 'private' signage > letter to BW/Reply
* BW confirms that the car park remains available for visitors to the aqueduct, but not overnight parking without permission

(b) SNC Draft Core Strategy Min:4(b)

Consultation 7th August 2012 5-7pm @ SNC attended by the clerk who spoke on the item and recommended support on changes indicated 'as sound and legally compliant' > approved

(c) Planning Issue - New Vehicle Access Northampton Road Min:7(a)

Objection made and discussed with Planners (exchange of E-mails including Dist Cllr with SNC (circulated). This also generated Scout Camp Face book comments (noted by Cllr Smith > and a reply via the clerk on some of the derogatory comments about the PC & Planners – also circulated)
* The clerk had also discussed issues with camp manager, who agreed to remove items from Scout FB to avoid further confrontation with users. (Planning issues advised / rumours and latest info)

6. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item. Min:5(c) discussed at length

7. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

Apologies for absence – E-mail re planning issues previously circulated

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

Spoke on PT and Route 90 and further on highway issues (Min:5(c) & 6)

8. Planning

(a) Applications Received

Previous Interim responses confirmed

S/2012/0918/FUL } External works to The Lodge to include roof repairs & re-thatching, block up

S/2012/0919/LBC } door and window, new window opening and door and replace window with French doors. New vehicular access. Internal works to include new internal doors, wet room and block openings. Removal of two chimney stacks and replacement south gates adjacent to the Lodge and north gates leading to Cosgrove Hall, Stratford Road

* No issues with proposals (although retrospective) save for the indicated replacement gates (not in keeping with s215 Enforcement Notice > SNC case officer advised)

S/2012/0928/MAF Erection of fencing. Land rear of 13 The Green (amended)

* Observation - As the field is to be segmented into 5 plots it could be visually intrusive. If intended for livery use it could also mean additional vehicles daily using the private lane when other owners visit their horses, which will affect local residents; If access was through 13 The Green, then a similar traffic problem arises as The Green is a narrow cul-de-sac.

(b) Decision Notices

Approved - Cosgrove Leisure Park retrospective changes to office permission

No objection - Removal of pine/spruce tree 41 Bridge Road

Withdrawn – Furtho Farm app for change of use to wedding venue

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

(d) Press Notices

None

9. Correspondence (list at the meeting)

(a) Department for Communities and Local Government

Openness and transparency on personal interests > interests noted and circulated for info

(b) Rural Service Network Online

Will neighbourhood planning benefit rural communities? > circulated for info

(c) ICO

Reminder of Annual renewal licence by 2nd October > noted (by Direct Debit)

*** (d) South Northants Leisure Trust**

Charitable company set up for the benefit of SNC area > circulated by e-mail for info > Cllr Stokes

*** (e) Adam Simmonds**

Letter re his candidacy > Police & Crime Commissioners 15th November 2012 and an invitation to meeting Wootton Sports & Community Centre 5-7pm > previously circulated > NFA

(f) Department for Communities and Local Government

Openness and transparency on personal interests > circulated to all members for reference

*** (g) Barcham Trees**

Acer Campestre 'Louisa red shine' promotion (Stratford Road replacements?) discussed

* Cllr Stokes to circulate recommendations and quote for next meeting

*** (h) SNC Lead Officer Planning**

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Supplementary Planning Document (Draft)

* The clerk spoke on the item and on the Planning Doc (165 pages) > details noted and circulated

(i) N/CALC Update

Circulated for info

10. Finance

(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date (with Agenda)

* **TO RESOLVE** to approve budgetary control by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance

Treasurer's a/c: £128.00

Business Call a/c: £12,243.99

Earmarked Reserves: £10,964.93

Available Capital: £1,407.06

(c) Payment agreed of outstanding accounts listed below by unanimous decision

001262 Clerks Salary: £273.26

001268 HMRC: £68.40 (PAYE)

001269 Petty Cash: £14.62

001270 NJ Blackwell: £675.42 (Mowing)

001271 AH Contracts: £30.86 (Dog Bins Aug)

11. Street Lighting

(a) PLs 26 (igniter) & 12 (ooo)

12. Highways

(a) Pothole repairs discussed (missed Manor Close) > site visit after meeting

(b) Stratford Road tree replacement discussed > Cllr Stoke as at Min:9(g)

13. To confirm Meetings dates for 2013

Given no meeting Dec 2012 – next 29 Jan 2013 – as approved at Annual Meeting

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Cllr Smith requested review of meeting date from last Tuesday > first Wednesday

* discussed - NFA or change agreed

(b) Burial Ground - long grass complaint (+ cuttings) > cut this day

15. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 25th September 2012 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.30pm