

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

### **Present:**

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mrs F Childs, Mrs H Harbottle, Mr P Roberts, Mr C Stokes & Mrs L Welton

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk) Cllrs Mr I McCord (SNC), Mr A Walker (NCC) and 1 members of the public

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (unable), Mr D Smith (work away), Mr W Smith (family commitments) & Mr I McCord (SNC)(another meeting)

### **2. Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the Agenda)**

None

### **3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 7<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

Minutes 7<sup>th</sup> January 2015 were approved and signed as a correct record.

### **4. Matters Arising from the Minutes (for information only)**

#### **(a) Cosgrove Lodge Caravan Park Minute 4(e)**

Further approval granted despite objection. Joint meeting with MKC/SNC Planners not yet agreed or arranged despite request > Cllr McCord (see report at Min:6(a))

#### **(b) Bridge Road verges Minute 5 & 11(a)**

NCC state that unlawful crossover resolved by letter to homeowners > monitor

### **5. Public Speaking Time**

Meeting closed for this item

### **6. District and County Councillor Reports**

#### **(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC) (In absence reported the following)**

I have letters from SNC to say that the Cosgrove Conservation area and the Grand Union Canal Conservation area have been approved by council; I have tried to contact the Caravan Park but not heard back from them as yet: No legal challenge has been submitted to the Joint Core Strategy and now we can say we have an adopted Core Strategy and can make progress with the other items: Budget will go to full council at the end of the month - no change for SNC for 5th year still at £170 per year for Band D: There may be allotments available at Yardley Gobion, I am aware that some Cosgrove residents are wanting allotments in the village, but YG may not be ideal, but may be better than nothing. Contact Lesley Ratcliffe the Clerk to YG PC.

#### **(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)**

Spoke on Budget > Full Council / £65M year on year next 3 years; discussions being held on NCC Structural changes

### **7. Planning**

#### **(a) Applications Received**

None

**(b) Decision Notices**

**Approved** – Further caravans sited around lake on MK side Cosgrove Caravan Park  
**Prior Approval NR** – Agricultural Building, Elm Tree Farm

**(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

**(d) Press Notices**

None

**8. Correspondence (list at the meeting)**

**\* (a) SLCC**

Annual subs/MILCM Registration/CPD @ £217 (50% with OSPC) > agreed

**(b) KierWSP/NCC Highways**

Parish Satisfaction Questionnaire > completed by the clerk

**(c) NCC Waste Management**

Confirmation of Household Waste opening times > circulated

**\* (d) Environment Agency**

Cosgrove Weir on the River Tove in Cosgrove; Letter advising that now the weir has been removed, it is EA intention to cease carrying out public safety risk assessment at the site > 3 yearly as near natural conditions now exist. The lifebuoy is to be removed unless CosPC wish to retain it and be responsible for it

**\* RESOLVED** that CosPC do not wish to retain and be responsible for lifebuoy

**\* (e) Wicksteed Leisure**

Annual inspection due > discussed

**\* RESOLVED** Annual Inspection agreed despite new equipment

**\* (f) N/ALC Interim Internal Audit**

Recently carried out > report read no issues

**(g) SNC Conservation Officer**

Grand Union Canal Conservation Area Adoption December 2014 > noted

**\* (h) Northamptonshire Highways**

Urban Highway Grass Mowing s136

**\* RESOLVED** to agree s136 agreement

**9. Finance**

**(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date**

**\* RESOLVED** to approve budgetary control by unanimous decision

**(b) To Approve Current State of Finance**

Treasurer's a/c:	£498.28
Business Inst a/c:	£20,284.41
Earmarked Reserves:	£12,456.00
<b>Available Capital:</b>	<b>£8,326.69</b>

**(c) To Approve Accounts for Payment (list of outstanding accounts at the meeting)**

001465	Clerks Salary:	£306.65
001466	HMRC:	£76.60

001467	Petty cash:	£6.10
001468	OSPC:	£27.60 (Copy Costs Nov13 – Dec14)
001469	AH Contracts:	£30.86 (Dog bins - Jan)
001470	Aylesbury Mains:	£52.80 (PL Repair)
001471	SLCC/MILCM:	£217.00 (Annual Membership – 50% OSPC) (Min:8(a))
001472	E.ON:	£237.10 (PL Energy)

**(d) New Homes Bonus**

Further suggestions received > deferred

**10. Street Lighting**

No reports

**11. Highways**

**(a) Stratford Roads** resurfacing work to footway Medlar House bend (not far enough?)  
whether prompted by 2-3 year old complaint? > clerk deals

**12. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda**

**(a) The Stocks** mud on the road exit from construction site (part of which has a stop notice UFN) > Planning Enforcement

**13. Date of Next Meeting**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015 commencing at 7.30pm**

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.17pm