

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 31st January 2012 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

Cllrs Mrs H Harbottle (in the chair), Mr R Gibbs, Mr C Stokes & Mrs L Welton

Also present Mr D Everett (Clerk) - no members of the public present

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie, Mr P Roberts, Mr D Smith (Family Commitments) & Mr A Walker (NCC)

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 29th November 2011

Minutes of the meeting 29th November 2011 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Update of Parish Plan & Village Confines Minute 7(f) & 12(a)

The clerk spoke on the item - Action TBA > existing design statement and Plan circulated for info

(b) NCC / Woodland Trust Minute 8(m)

400 Offer of tree pack agreed > delivered

(c) SNC Lead Officer Planning Policy & Heritage Minute 8(n)

Meeting 9th Jan 2012 6-8pm @SNC re update in Neighbourhood Planning within the district

Attended by the clerk (Chairman u/a) who spoke on the item > circulated all docs for info

(d) Play Area funding application Outstanding

Update – additional info required in support circulated > Cllr Roberts

Inspection Report > circulated for next Agenda

5. Public Speaking Time

No public present

6. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

No present – no reports

7. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2012/0068/ADV 2 Free standing interpretive/info panels. Grand Union Canal, Cosgrove

* Supported

S/2012/0002/NA Variation of phase 2 mineral extraction area and conditions (MK09/00282/MIN)

Land adjacent to Manor Farm, Old Wolverton (MKC) > SNC make no objections - NFA

(b) Decision Notices

Approved uPVC windows and colour change to plots 2 & 3. 58 Main Street

Approved (non material amendments) with associated works. 15 Bridge Road

Approved First floor ext over garage. 46 Bridge Road

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Enforcement Action - Cosgrove Hall Gate House – update awaits

(d) Press Notices

* None

8. Correspondence (list at the meeting)

*** (a) Northants ACRE**

Annual subs 2012 tba @ £34.00 > **RESOLVED** to approve

(b) CPRE / NALC

(i) A guide to Neighbourhood Planning / Planning Explained & Update > circulated for info

* **(ii)** Communities and Neighbourhoods in Planning – Two Free of Charge Events > NFA

*** (c) SNC Communications Assistant**

Getting into Stride (Nordic Walking) Sessions Deanshanger or Road Libraries > circulated - NFA

(d) Northants Police SCT

Crime & Policing update > circulated

(e) British Waterways

Minutes of Meeting 4 Jan re Iron Trunk > circulated for info/update (re Cosgrove towpath)

(f) SNC Head of Law and Governance

Charging for PC Elections - Cosgrove > circulated for info (deferred to future budgets)

(g) CPRE Northants

Outlook (High Speed Rail gets go-ahead / Northants wind farms) > circulated for info

(h) NCC Highways

Street Lighting Private Finance Initiative (PFI) Contract for Northants > Noted – circulated for info

*** (i) Northants ACRE**

Bulk-buying scheme for domestic heating oil

*** (j) NJ Blackwell**

Grass maintenance 2012 (4% rise over 2011) > **RESOLVED** to approve

(k) NCC Transport & Infrastructure

On the buses' - How have changes been going – Councillors Newsletter > circulated for info

(l) Came & Company

A Parish Councillor's Guide to Parish Council Insurance > circulated for comment/understanding

*** (m) The Old Mail**

Update on subs 2012/13 – Noted that budget held at £250 (any further application on merit) > NFA

(n) SNC Economic Development Officer

Further info on Job Clubs > circulated for info

*** (o) The Quarries Scout Campsite**

New Boundary fencing for info > discussed 'visually – why and for what purpose' > NCC

*** (p) Northants Police SN Sector Commander**

Possible withdrawal of NCC financial support for PCSOs > circulated for comment

(q) Andrea Leadsom MP

Drop in and Bookable Dates calendar 2012 > circulated for info / action?

9. 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:	£143.75
Business Call a/c:	£12,522.53
Earmarked Reserves:	£6,874.15
Available Capital:	£5,792.13

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

Paid 14/12/11

001202	NJ Blackwell:	£1412.10 (Nov mowing + BG Hedge)

001203	Clerks Salary:	£546.72 (Salary Dec/Jan less Tax)
001204	HMRC:	£136.60 (Tax Dec/Jan)
001205	Petty Cash:	£23.71
001206	AH Contracts:	£30.86 (Dog Bins Dec)
001207	OSPC:	£13.65 (SLCC MICLM 50% OSPC) see Note*
001208	Northants ACRE:	£34.00 (Subs Min:8(a))
001209	Wickstead:	£54.00 (Playground Inspection)
001210	NJ Blackwell:	£483.00 (Complete BG clear up)
001211	Aylesbury Mains:	£54.71 (PL35 Stratford Road)
001212	E.ON:	£235.17 (PL Energy)

Note* As a MILCM additional Professional Development has been agreed and a Bursary towards training costs applied for in CosPCs name (but all fees will be 50% with OSPC) - explained

10. Street Lighting

(a) PL Main Street o/s Horse Tunnel ooo > low density lamp requested

(b) Village signs illumination - Cllr Smith updates > Aylesbury Mains for quote

11. Highways

(a) January highway closure Stratford Road near bust shelter re Gas Mains works > clerk supervised due to improper practice > involving NCC Highways (misleading info)

(b) NCC / MGWSP Satisfaction Questionnaire for completion > by the clerk

(c) Grass area o/s church entrance is a mess > clerk requested to approach NCC re CA issues

(d) Locks Lane line marking still outstanding (request before caravan park season starts)

(e) Footway obstruction by wheelie bins opposite 45/47 Bridge Road footway

(f) No through Road signs A508 > Furtho Manor Farm (opposite Yardley Road)

12. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Jubilee Flowers for the village sign > financial support

(b) Neighbourhood Watch signs – replacing and additional

13. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 28th February 2012 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.31pm