

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 7th January 2015 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

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

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk) Cllrs Mr I McCord (SNC) and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs H Harbottle (FA Training), Mr D Smith & Mr W Smith (family commitments) & Mr A Walker (NCC)(meeting)

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 3rd December 2014

Minutes 3rd December 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

(a) Play Area upgrade Minute 4(a)

* Cllr Roberts reported that final invoice awaits – Container to be moved

(b) Cosgrove Hall gates Minute 4(b)

* New gates installed > NFA

(c) Park Close obstruction by trees to footpath Minute 4(c)

* Awaits resolution by land owner

(d) Overgrown hedge corner of Yardley Road / Stratford Road Minute 4(d)

* Work commissioned by landowner (include garden?) = delay due to weather

(e) Cosgrove Lodge Caravan Park Minute 4(e)

Issues raised after approval of application MKC side of the park and diverted delivery route through Cosgrove without re consultation (after SNCs for Info Only) – export movements noted. Meeting with MKC/SNC Planners requested > deferred to Min:7(a)

(f) Agreed Budget Minute 9(d)

Review after SNC info re Methods setting precept > NFA Precept level as agreed

5. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item

6. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

Spoke on SNC Budget (near completion); SNC/West Northants Core Strategy approved; SNC Wind Farm appeal overturned by SoS: Badgers Farm Appeal and Caravan Park concerns

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

No reports

7. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/2448/NA MKC consultation for further 15 x static holiday caravans to remain on site throughout the year Cosgrove Lodge Caravan Park

***OBJECTION until joint MKC/SNC Planning Brief is approved.**

Historically only touring caravans have been sited on the MKC side of the park and stored out of the flood plain during winter months. Due to recent completion of part of the site (new amenity lake MK99/1372/MK) and the recent application (MK14/01257/FUL to vary condition MK/215/94) to permanently site 15 static caravans, which had a design and access statement route through Castlethorpe, who objected due to a 5T farm bridge and farm track. Contractors advised that the delivery of large static homes *would therefore be through Cosgrove which is unacceptable.* This application for a 'further' 15 static caravans should therefore be refused unless delivery is via Milton Keynes *This appears to be development by stealth as SNC have a 'no further development – until an alternative access is found.* MKC has in the past refused such an access

S/2014/2409/FUL Change of use from offices (B1) to residential (C3) with the erection of extensions and a detached double garage 2 The Stocks

* No Objection

But continue to request consultation re Burial Ground stop cock which is on the premises

S/2014/2435/FUL Two storey front and side extension 7 Mansel Close

* Observations are that Plans mislead, as the front ridge height appears on drawing 14/AK1/3 as the same as existing which would not be acceptable, yet on 14/AK1/5 it is not. The concern is that the front extension dominates and is incongruous and affects the street scene and would create an unacceptable precedence

S/2014/2355/RES Reserved matters application pursuant to construction of 8 x 2 bed apartments with related car parking (outline) The Stocks > Noted

(b) Decision Notices

Prior Approval Not Required - New agricultural building Elm Tree Farm, Thrupp Wharf

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Appeal Allowed (subject to conditions) Land at Badgers Farm (garage to additional dwelling)

(d) Press Notices

None

8. Correspondence (list at the meeting)

(a) Northamptonshire ACRE

Annual subs/donation @ £35 to be agreed

(b) SNC Head of Finance & Procurement

Parish Precept request (see Min:4(f)) - also NHB (£8,253.92) with grant application dates

* Both items discussed

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:	£508.90
Business Inst a/c:	£20,775.82 (NCC Grant/BG Fee)
Earmarked Reserves:	£12,456.00
Available Capital:	£8,828.72

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

001460	Clerks Salary:	£323.45
001461	HMRC:	£80.80
001462	Petty cash:	£9.65
001463	AH Contracts:	£30.86 (Dog bins - Dec)
001464	N/ACRE:	£35.00 (Min:8(a))

10. Street Lighting

No reports

11. Highways

- (a) Unauthorised crossover to 10 Bridge Road damaging verge and leaving mud on the footpath
- (b) Pot holes getting worse Stratford Road bend near church > monitored

12. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) Review of NHB (Min:8(b)) > Old Mail for sensible suggestions

13. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 4th February 2015 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.10pm