

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2013 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 D Smith, Mr W Smith, Mr C Stokes & Mrs L Welton

Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)(from Min:4(c))

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)(unable) and due to illness, a regular attendee gave his apologies

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

None

### 3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 29<sup>th</sup> October 2013

Minutes 29<sup>th</sup> October 2013 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

#### (a) Playground – WREN Application Minute 4(a)

Cllr Roberts report

#### (b) Guide to Community Grants 2013/2014 Minute 4(b)

Scheme to be considered > previously deferred

*Cllr McCord arrived at this point*

#### (c) Old Mail Minute 4(d)

Issues arising from CosPC editorial for the Old Mail report is always 2 months late > consider 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of the month (commencing Feb 5<sup>th</sup> approved subject to Hall availability)

#### (d) SNC Local Plan – Issues Paper Consultation Minute 8(c)

Important contents (Rural Settlement Hierarchy & Town/village confines)

\* Details discussed at length > issues circulated for next meeting and any comment by Jan 24?

#### (e) Clerks Forum

Clerk attended Forum @ SNC 8/11 (dealing with NHB & CTRS proposals? (+ Tax Base calculations) For 2014/15 and a planning briefing prior to SNLP issues above

\* Tax Base and other rates - not until late Dec / early Jan. Clerk advise that CTRS level unlikely to be repeated

### 5. Public Speaking Time

No members of the public present

### 6. District and County Councillor Reports

#### (a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

Spoke on the Local Plan review and time table – update on village confines. Commented on CTRS for 2014 (no decision yet) endorsed clerks advise not to consider at Budget consideration

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

No reports (although Highway Safety issue Yardley Road/Castlethorpe turn referred after last meeting and negative response from MGWSP (HH)) > chase

**7. Planning**

**(a) Applications Received**

None forwarded for comment (1 x LDC + 1 Screening opinion)

**(b) Decision Notices**

**Approved** - Use of The Stables as an independent dwelling; The Stables, The Priory

**Refused** - Erection of conservatory; The Priory

**(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

**(d) Press Notices**

None

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

**\* (a) NCC Highways**

Launch of Highway Warden Scheme – proposal ‘to appoint a Highway Warden’> NFA

**(b) BDO**

Audit Briefing > noted for file and circulated for info for action by Annual Meeting 2014

**\* (c) NCC / MGWSP Highways**

Urban Highway Grass Mowing 2014 > s136 LGA 1972 for adoption (Remains @ £999.42)

**RESOLVED** to approve

**\* (d) NALC**

Local Councils Explained – new publication > circulated (purchase or note?)

**\* (e) SNC Conservation Officer**

Proposed Grand Union Canal Conservation Area Appraisal (Draft consultation 22 Dec 2013)

\* Noted > circulated for info with response sheets

**9. Finance**

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

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

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

Treasurer's a/c:	£289/87
Business Call a/c:	£25,327.98 (Incl: NCC Mowing Grant + VAT)
Earmarked Reserves:	£17,240.93
<b>Available Capital:</b>	<b>£8,376.92</b>

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

001375	Clerks Salary:	£300.00
001376	HMRC:	£75.00 (PAYE)
001377	Petty Cash:	£18.67 (incl: Mileage)
001378	NJ Blackwell:	£449.41 (Mowing & damaged BG tree removal)
001379	Aylesbury Mains:	£187.20 (PL repairs Bridge Rd / os Church) *
001380	OSPC:	£101.11 (Copy costs / Office Supplies)
001381	Hickford Construction:	£5,940.00 (Stratford Rd / Church Project)

**(d) Agree Budget meeting to set precept for January / February full council**  
**RESOLVED** that the clerk draft requirements for circulated and approval next meeting

**10. Street Lighting**

**(a)** PL16 o/s hall (Min:9(c)\*) payment withheld until repaired

**11. Highways**

**(a)** 24 Yardley Road cross over muddy mess > SNH

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

**(a)** Old Post Office site insecure and unsightly / HS issues > Cllr Stokes / Clerk deals

**(b)** BG Bench update?

**13. Date of Next Meeting**

(Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2014) or Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 commencing at 7.30pm

And as this is the last meeting before Xmas the Chairman wished everyone a Happy Christmas and a healthy happy New Year

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.11pm