

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

### Present:

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mrs H Harbottle, Mr P Roberts (from Min:6)  
Mr D Smith, Mr W Smith Mr C Stokes & Mrs L Welton  
Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 2 members of the public

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs F Childs (unwell), Mr I McCord (SNC) & Mr A Walker (NCC) (SNC Meeting)

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

None

### 3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014

Minutes 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

(a) **Flooding issues - The Green** Minute 4(a)

\* No update

(b) **Play Area grant application** Minute 4(c)

Proposals agreed > Cllr Roberts spoke on the item (Stump grinding required)

(c) **Cosgrove Hall gates** Minute 4(d)

Old Gates removed and new posts re-erected) – new gates are therefore imminent?

(d) **Old Post Office** Minute 4(e)

Sold?

(e) **Village maintenance issues** Minute 12 (a)

Resident had forwarded lists > response by Clerk and Chairman

(f) **Orchard Close** Minute 12(b)

Latest on AW promise over Sewage (thanks to Wendy Page) > Bridge Road works to commence  
10 – 22 November opposite entrance (New Manhole prior to new downstream sewer for new  
Development) Traffic light controls

### 5. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item

### 6. District and County Councillor Reports

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

In his absence submitted the following:

**The Forum** SNC continues to make preparations to move the The Forum in March next year. As  
always there are a few issues to sort but they are currently on time.

The preparations continue to get ready for the move and now Taxi Inspections and Environmental  
Health have moved to the Tove Depot from the Springfields site.

**Core Strategy** The Planning Inspector did approve the Core Strategy for West Northants comprising, SNC, Daventry District and Northampton Borough. The process of ratification is underway and we are hoping to have a document that is approved council policy by the end of the year. This is very good news as the local plan can proceed now the senior document is done and the planners and appeals are duty bound to consider the core strategy when determining applications. Provided delivery takes place then we can be a little more protected from unwanted applications but we need to be vigilant.

**Malt House Farm Wind Turbine** This was refused by MK council citing the impact on the landscape and setting between the two authorities as a reason. I suppose we will await the inevitable appeal.

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

No reports

**7. Planning**

**(a) Applications Received**

**S/2014/1853/FUL** Demolition of existing building with the erection of four apartments and two dwellings with related car parking The Stocks

\* Supported

**S/2014/1937/FUL** Change of use from B1 (Office) to C3 (Residential) with erection of extensions  
2 The Stocks

\* Observation that the adjacent Burial Ground stop cock is located in the premises and request consultation on the remedy – otherwise No objections

**S/2014/1952/RES** Reserved matters (pursuant to S/2014/1125/OUT Construction of 8 x 2 bed apartments with related car parking (outline)) The Stocks

\* Supported

**S/2014/1863/FUL & S/2014/1864/ LBC** Relocation of existing accessible wc into new extension, formation of a new pot wash and alterations to existing bar and kitchen Barley Mow 7 The Stocks

\* No objections

**INTERIM**

**S/2014/2040/FUL & S/2014/2041/LBC** Internal & external alterations and refurbishment including entrance and boundary wall refurbishment and alteration to outbuilding to create a garage  
Greens Farm House 15 The Green

\* No objections

**(b) Decision Notices**

**Refusal** – Condition re Contamination 9 The Stocks due to incomplete submissions

**Approved** – Conditions on Landscaping/Surfaces /Arch Detailing/ Boundary Enclosures

**Approved** – Rear conservatory rear 42 Stratford Road

**Approved** – Dropped kerb 24 Yardley Road

**(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

Enforcement request > 2 Main Street – Within permitted development rules and therefore approved

\* Discussed at length

**(d) Press Notices**

None

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

### **(a) Western Power Distribution**

Inventory; 50026955 – Street Lighting > no changes notified

### **(b) Northamptonshire Rural Housing Association**

Annual Report > Noted for file

### **(c) NCC Public Consultation**

Fire & Rescue Service draft Community Protection Plan Update & Review 2015

Strategic Plan noted

### **\* (f) PA for Ian Stewart MP MK South**

Letter re Caravan Park opening times and clerks response > circulated and discussed

\* Letter and rumours of occupancy discussed > copy all to SNC Planners re enforcement

### **\* (g) Stony Stratford Town Council**

SSTC Neighbourhood Plan - Pre submission consultation 25 Oct – 5 December 2014

\* Informal meeting at SS Library Mon 17 November at 7pm

### **(h) Northants Police SN Safer Community Team**

Ward cluster info on Main Crimes and ASBs > circulated for info – none for Cosgrove

## **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: £803.10

Business Inst a/c: £21,194.72 (Incl: Vat & 2/2 Precept/BG Fee\*)

Earmarked Reserves: £11,931.00

**Available Capital: £10,066.82**

\* Note: BG Fees for Mrs Phyllis Holman, wife of former Cllr John Holman who is himself unwell and in MK Hospital > cards sent on behalf of the Parish Council

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

001447 Clerks Salary: £300.00

001448 HMRC: £75.00

001449 Petty cash: £19.50

001450 AH Contracts: £30.86 (Dog bins - Oct)

001451 NJ Blackwell: £638.02 (Mowing)

001452 E-ON: £237.10 (PL Energy)

001453 HW Masons: £55.00 (Repayment – fee paid 2013)

### **(d) To Agree Budget meeting to set precept for January / February full council**

\* After next meeting (clerk to recommend budget figures for discussion)

## **10. Street Lighting**

**(a)** PLs 8 Mansel Close; 11 & 15 Bridge Road ooo

## **11. Highways**

**(a)** Park Close obstruction by trees to footpath and gardens (Min:5)

\* Cllr Stokes to assist with landowner

(b) Hedge corner of Yardley Road / Stratford Road overgrown  
\* Cllr Welton to advise action required

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

None

**13. Date of Next Meeting**

**Wednesday 3rd December 2014 commencing at 7.30pm**

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.32pm