

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

### Present:

Cllrs Mrs H Harbottle (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mrs F Childs, Mr P Roberts, Mr D Smith, Mr W Smith & Mr C Stokes,

Also present were Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC) & Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs L Welton (parents meeting) & Mr M Draddy (family commitment)

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

None

### 3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Minutes of the meeting Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

#### (a) Litter – request more Litter bins Minute 4(a)

\* Awaits SNC inspection (Cllr McCord assists)

#### (b) Playground Inspection Minute 4(b)

Cllr Draddy's inspection report read in his absence

\* Re-circulate Wicksteed report for action next meeting

#### (c) Bench/ Tree Minute 4(c)

Deferred for proposals

\* **RESOLVED** by unanimous decision for bench > Clerk to enquire Buddy Scott re metal bench

#### (b) Caravan Park Deliveries / Bridge Safety Minute 5 & 11(a) & (b)

Meeting held with HH (NCC) Photos sent (thanks to residents) reinforcing NCC Highway Officers comments about unsuitability for vehicles that size

\* The clerk advised on canal bridge (unsuitable for separate footpath due to modern requirements on Grade 2\* Listed Bridge > Awaits NCC initiative on HGV restrictions?)

#### (e) Speed through village Minute 12(a)

\* Options discussed at length. Cllr W Smith to approach NCC and distributors / suppliers of SIDs and report back

#### (f) Living Xmas tree for cross roads Minute 12(b)

Exchange of e-mails confirmed proposals > dealt with by Cllr Stokes

\* Clerk to arrange twice weekly watering ufn

#### (g) SNC Peer Challenge Minute 8(c)

The clerk attended Clerks Forum > Peer Challenge outlined and circulated

\* Attendees to contact SNC direct (re circulate original mail)

#### (h) PL Numbering Minute 10(a)

Estimate @ £8 per pl + £24 visit = £416

\* **RESOLVED** to consider completing in house > project for 2018

## 5. Public Speaking Time

No issues

## 6. District and County Councillor Reports

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

No reports

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

Spoke on reported Financial Position of NCC; and on his proactive initiative to save route 90 (NCC Bus subsidies of £1.23M – 89/90A = £146K @ £2.91 per passenger); NHB / Precept or SNC to finance?

\* Would advise when more is known as Cosgrove is his first meeting of his PCs affected

*Cllr Walker then gave apologies and left the meeting*

## 7. Planning

### (a) Applications Received

S/2017/2386/FUL New Dwelling to replace temporary mobile home Cosgrove Lodge Hotel

\* Interim response last meeting confirmed

**Local Plan Part 2 Consultation *Any further consultation comments by 10 November***

\* Nothing further affecting Cosgrove area

### (b) Decision Notices

### (c) Enforcement / Appeals

### (d) Press Notices

None

## 8. Correspondence (list at the meeting) (other corres > by E-mail for info)

### \* (a) TADD (Towcester Area Door to Door)

Request for volunteer drivers > discussed for file / nb's and website

## 9. Finance

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

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

### (b) To Adopt Current State of Finance

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Treasurer's a/c:          | £717.65           |
| Business Inst a/c:        | £30,283.06        |
| Earmarked Reserves:       | £16,033.44        |
| <b>Available Capital:</b> | <b>£14,967.27</b> |

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

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|--------|------------------|--|
| 001710 | Spoilt           |  |
| 001711 | Cllr Stokes:     | £302.08 (Picea Abes as agreed Min:4(f)) > in place |
| 001712 | Clerks Salary:   | £344.00  |
| 001713 | HMRC:            | £86.00 (PAYE)                                      |
| 001714 | Petty Cash:      | £27.15 (incl; mileage > CPD / SNC)                 |
| 001715 | Aylesbury Mains: | £910.80 (Final PL connections)                     |

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|--------|-------------------|--|
| 001716 | E.ON              | £453.20 (Unmetered supply)             |
| 001717 | Spoilt            |  |
| 001718 | Heather Rokkyer:  | £12.96 (Bulbs as agreed Min:11(c) Oct) |
| 001719 | NJ Blackwell:     | £663.72 (Mowing Oct)                   |
| 001720 | Cllr Stokes;      | £39.20 (Mileage re tree)               |
| 001721 | Cllr Smith (D):   | £17.64 (Mileage re NHW/Police)         |
| 001722 | Cancelled         |  |
| 001723 | Cumbria Clock Co: | £186.00 (Church Clock maintenance)     |

### **10. Street Lighting**

(a) PL13 still not connected after Orchard Close development > awaits AMains / BDO  
\* Cllr W Smith to chase – Energy Supplier updated with upgrade details

(b) No other reports (see Min:4(h))

### **11. Highways**

(a) Further tipping Dogsmouth / Old Cosgrove Road + settee in brook all dealt with

(b) Other outstanding issues > listed and updated attached

(c) The Green -v- Manor Close verge issue further discussed > the clerk to deal

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

(a) New Agenda Format and Decision sheet discussed during the meeting and added here for clarity > Action is **RESOLVED** to agree commencing next meeting > and to be reviewed at Annual Meeting

### **13. Date of Next Meeting**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017 commencing at 7.30pm**

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.12pm

**Cosgrove Parish Council**  
**Outstanding Activities**  
**November 2017**

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Item</b>                     | <b>Parish Action</b>   | <b>Action by Others</b>   |
|-------------|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Ongoing     | <b>Dog fouling</b>              | New Dog bin top of steps<br>Main St/Towpath<br><i>Continues on footpaths and<br/>Towpath</i>           | <b>Installed and well used</b><br><b>Monitor after additional spraying</b><br><b>&amp; signs in place &gt; ongoing</b><br>(Old Mail)  |
|             | <b>Litter</b>                   | Additional Litter Bins   | <b>SNC to approve (awaits)</b>  |
| Ongoing     | <b>Highway Issues</b>           | Continual review   | <b>Bridge Road subsidence 832331 *</b><br><b>Old Cosgrove Rd surface 897080</b><br><b>Stratford Rd tree line 866007 *</b><br><b>Xroads hedge obstruct 893772 *</b><br><b>Yardley Rd/Castlethorpe 842567</b><br>* (Reinstruct as no result)<br><b>Same location 902386 missing</b><br><b>Give Way sign (WT = 3m)</b> |
|             | <b>Canal Bridge</b>             | The Green damaged verge<br><br>Request Bridge one way<br>(Unable due to f/w specs on<br>old structure) | Complaint made re NCC opinion<br>and inconsistent verge policy<br><br>Site visit (NCC) awaits re safety<br>issues Bridge Road / Main Street   |
|             | <b>Pot holes</b>                | Monitored  |   |
|             | <b>Caravan Park<br/>traffic</b> | Monitored<br>Awaits decision   | Photos sent to endorse NCC<br>Highways comments that Main<br>St/Bridge Rd unsuitable for large<br>vehicles and caravan deliveries   |
| Ongoing     | <b>Blocked drains</b>           | When required  | <b>Monitoring</b><br>The Stocks missed <b>903442</b>  |
| Ongoing     | <b>Bulb planting</b>            | Agreed locations   | Resident (HR) dealt   |