

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

### Present:

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mrs F Childs, Mrs H Harbottle & Mr C Stokes  
Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC) and 3 members of the public

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr D Smith (work), Mr W Smith (away), Mrs L Welton (family commitments), Mr P Roberts (late apologies) & Cllr McCord (via Cllr Walker)

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

None

### 3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of Meetings dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2015

Minutes 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2015 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

#### (a) Cosgrove Lodge Caravan Park Minute 4(a)

Awaits rearranged meeting > Castlethorpe PC & Cllr McCord (for CosPC) chase

Latest MKC response to Castlethorpe - MK Dons proposals appears on the agenda?

\* Discussed - CosPC wish to make it quite clear that any cross border discussion re Caravan Park should not and must not include MK Dons > Cllr McCord

#### (b) NHB (Previously discussed) Minute 4(c)

Deferred > Cllr W Smith to report on LED costs (although further options may exist)

#### (c) Defibrillator Minute 4(c)

Update from Cllr Welton – Barley Mow have purchased their own defibrillator

#### (d) Matters raised Councillor Questions & Items for next Agenda Minute 13(a)-(d)

(a) Tree feeling Buckingham Arm now agreed by C&RT

(b) Dog fouling especially towpath with CRT/ Locks dog bin emptied via Cllr McCord's e-mail

(c) AW Mains Water **Leak** fields from Potterspury across Furtho > AW have no proposed replacement (make do and repair?)

(d) Rubbish Yardley Road > dealt with by SNC

### 5. Public Speaking Time

Number of issues previously raised > dealt with or in hand

### 6. District and County Councillor Reports

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

No reports

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

Spoke of NCC Scrutiny – Business Rates / Council Tax proposals recently notified. There is a necessary reorganisation with NCC with collaboration with other councils

\* After further discussion (2017 NCC Elections and consideration also for NCC to become Ltd)

*Cllr Walker gave apologies and left the meeting*

**7. To consider request to review the size and spread of BG Walnut trees (CA)**

\* Discussed – BG Inspection required > clerk to seek meeting with Conservation Officer (in absence of Arboreal Officer (Quote from adjacent landowner unacceptable))

**8. Review of footpath maintenance RG3 Park Close**

Complaint of overgrowth (previously dealt with?) > Cllr Stokes deals

**9. Planning**

**(a) Applications Received**

**S/2015/2142/FUL** Detached dwelling and garage and associated works Plot 1 Site of former Cosgrove House, Stratford Roads

\* Since outline permission, dimension appeared to have increased including height and side extensions. Also concern of roof terrace which appears totally unacceptable

**(b) Decision Notices**

**Approved** - Open ended field shed (Retrospective) 11 Cornerstones Yardley Road

**Approved** - Conditions Greens Farmhouse 15 The Green

**Approved** - Conditions London House 6 The Stocks

\* Issues re highway reinstatement on this and the Tannery Development especially ROW access passed to SNC / NCC Highways and Developers

**Refused** - First floor extension 40 Bridge Road

**(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

**(d) Press Notices**

None

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

**(a) ICO**

Annual Renewal notice of DD for £350n or around 5/11/2015 > noted for next meeting

**(b) NCC Bus & Rail Development Officer**

Bus service workshop Wed 21<sup>st</sup> October @ Potterspurty VH Between 4.30 – 6.30 > Cllr D Smith

**(c) Northants PCC**

Seeking Community Engagement through local communities re road safety problems and promoting Community Speed Watch > NFA

**(d) SNC Interim Licensing Manager**

Gambling Act 2005 – Consultation on Statement of Licensing Policy (every 3 years) > NFA

**(e) Selectus Property Ltd**

Letter re land off Northampton Road (site of Apiary application) read

\* Response agreed ‘that you bought the land as seen – it is not a Parish Council problem’

**11. Finance**

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

\* **RESOLVED** to approve provisional end of year budgetary control by unanimous decision

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

Treasurer's a/c:	£349.10
Business Inst a/c:	£19,736.22
Earmarked Reserves:	£15,249.23

**Available Capital: £4,836.09**

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

001526	Clerks Salary:	£306.65
001527	HMRC:	£76.60
001528	Petty cash:	£9.75
001529	AH Contracts:	£77.16 (Dog bins – Aug/Sept)
001530	NJ Blackwell:	£1,308.48 (Mowing Aug/Sept)
001531	E.ON:	£356.81 (PL energy)
001532	Aylesbury Mains:	£75.00 (PL repairs)
001533	SNC:	£39.00 (Uncontested Parish Election Fees)

\* R&P Book submitted and signed as part of internal controls

**12. Street Lighting**

No reports

**13. Highways**

(a) Residents fall from towpath steps > Main Street/Horse tunnel highlights missing rail (not replaced after demolition by contractors dealing with sewer / highways

\* Clerk had a site meeting with NCC/Kier Highways 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct to resolve matter?

(b) Hedge adjacent 2A Stratford Road Yardley Road obstructing footway (not cut back despite repeated requests) > NCC inspection has taken place – resolution awaits?

(c) Subsidence near drain Stratford Road / Yardley Road corner > reported

**14. Security of Cosgrove Village**

Cllr W Smith advised costs and discussed > NFA at this time (unjustified costs and benefit)

\* Action confirmed after phone enquiry re comments > NFA confirmed

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

(a) **The Tannery development** boundary wall > horse tunnel yet to be completed

**16. Date of Next Meeting**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2015 commencing at 7.30pm**

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.28pm