

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

### Present:

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

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC) & and members of the public

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Draddy (late apologies), D Smith & Wallace (family commitments); Mr A Walker (NCC) (away)

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

None

### 3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018

Minute of the meeting Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018 were approved and signed as a true record

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

#### (a) Outdoor gym

\* Discussed – expense / use/NHB? > NFA

#### (c) N/CALC AGM

Cllr Childs & clerk to attend Sat 6 Oct

#### (d) Wicksteed - play area inspection and repairs

\* Discussed > Cllr Roberts to advise

#### (e) Speed Watch (The way forward)

Criteria confirmed > interest expressed action > deferred to full council

\* Update by Cllr W Smith > deferred

#### (f) Flag Pole project discussed > opinion divided

\* Cllr Wallace investigates and would report

### 5. Public Speaking Time (this is limited to 15 minutes)

Hanslope (MK) expansion for possible 750 new dwelling accessing off of A508 / Yardley Road

\* As previously reported NCC Highways had no knowledge and were not a consultee

### 6. District and County Councillor Reports

#### (a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC) Local Government Reform by e-mail

Spoke further on LGR > next steps; 2 unitary = SoS review, result due Oct/Nov; Q on postponed elections 2020 for a similar deferral through N/CALC for PCllrs to avoid the extra costs 2019; April 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 for Unitary SNC/DDC & Northampton Borough; Proposals /Policies being reviewed (especially regarding the deferred costs of Unitary

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

No reports

**7. Correspondence received since the last meeting (list at the meeting)**

**\* (a) Cosgrove VH**

Enquiry re grant > Budgeted s19 LG (MP) Act 1976 for approval

**\* RESOLVED** that allocated grant be paid

**\* (b) Northamptonshire Carers**

Poster for display > Carers Sitting Service

**(c) Resident enquiry re allotments**

Advised BUT response was that private gardens could be used > TBA that allotments exist YG

**8. Monthly roundup and issues from each councillor**

**(a) Chairman** > Caravan Park liaison soon; Highway verges; Bus Shelter maint; Horse Tunnel and resident contact re old canal (BCS)

**(b) Cllr W Smith** > Speeding equipment (speed watch); VAS;

**(c) Cllr Bracey** > Station Road causeway re HGV damage (Hanslope development)

**(d) Cllr Childs** > Towpaths – fence condition

**(e) Cllr Draddy** > x

**(f) Cllr Roberts** > Bus shelter & Play Area review

**(g) Cllr D Smith** > x

**(h) Cllr Wallace** > x

**(i) Cllr Welton** > No reports

**9. Planning**

**(a) Applications**

**S/2018/1866/TCA** Various works to trees and hedgerow adjacent to the canal including coppicing and ground work and removal Old Stratford Cut (Grand Union Canal) Disused Cosgrove and Old Stratford > monitoring

**(b) Decision Notices**

**Approved** Farm access over bridge disused canal Bridge 1

**Approved** Subdivision of stables into two dwellings The Priory

**(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

**Appeal Allowed** Two roof lights to the rear 6 The Tannery

**(d) Press Notices**

None

**10. 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: £541.00

Business Inst a/c: £29,287.11

Earmarked Reserves: £19,003.00

**Available Capital: £10,825.11**

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

001784 Clerks Salary: £350.40

001785	HMRC:	£87.60 (PAYE)
001786	Petty Cash:	£13.60
001787	NJ Blackwell:	£766.02 (Mowing > Aug)
001788	AH Contracts:	£92.59 (Environmental final contract payment)
001789	DNH Contracts:	£77.16 (Environmental new contractor + additional)
001790	N/CALC:	£84.00 (CPD training fees Cllrs MD & TW)
001791	Cosgrove Village Hall:	£500.00 (Annual donation) > Min:7(a)

### **11. Street Lighting**

- (a) Village sign LED Discussed;
- (b) PL@1 Navigation (replaced by Bridge Road / Orchard Close) > awaits completion

### **12. Highways**

- (a) Station Road (> Castlethorpe) expected causeway damage re Hanslope construction traffic  
\* NCC Highways tba (> Min:5)

### **13. Proposed work programme (projects)**

Deferred > Chairman/clerk (list discussed) Chairman deals

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

None

### **15. Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.57pm

**Cosgrove Parish Council**  
**Outstanding Activities**  
**September 2018**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Parish Action</b>	<b>Action by Others</b>
Ongoing  2018	<b>Dog fouling</b>  <b>Litter</b>  <b>PL numbering?</b>	New Dog bin top of steps Main St/Towpath  Additional Litter Bins  In house completion	<b>Installed and well used</b> <b>Weekly emptying top of HT</b> <b>May BH &gt; Oct</b>  <b>SNC to approve (awaits)</b>  project for 2018/19
Ongoing	<b>Highway Issues</b>      <b>Canal Bridge</b>  <b>Pot holes</b>  <b>Caravan Park traffic</b>	Continual review    (Another accident > NCC)  Request Bridge one way (Unable due to f/w specs on old structure)  Monitored  Monitored Awaits decision  Liaison awaits	<b>Bridge Road subsidence 832331 *</b> <b>Old Cosgrove Rd surface 897080</b> <b>Stratford Rd tree line 866007 *</b> <b>Xroads hedge obstruct 893772 *</b> <b>Yardley Rd/Castlethorpe 842567</b> * (Plan awaits work ticket) <b>Same location 902386 missing</b> <b>Give Way sign (WT = 3m)</b>  Site visit (NCC) awaits re safety issues Bridge Road / Main Street  <b>Slow repairs (marked 7/18)</b>  Photos sent to endorse NCC Highways comments that Main St/Bridge Rd unsuitable for large vehicles and caravan deliveries Meeting TBA
Ongoing	<b>Blocked drains</b>	When required	<b>Monitoring</b>
Ongoing	<b>Bulb planting</b>  <b>Living Tree</b>	Agreed locations  Xroads	Resident (HR) dealt and supported  Planted