

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on 25th August 2009 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mrs J Childs, Mr R Gibbs, Mr D Smith & Mr C Stokes . Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 4 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs H Harbottle (away), Mr P Roberts (family illness), Mrs J Storey (family commitment), Mr I McCord (SNC)(Emergent Core Strategy Meeting) & 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 28th July 2009

Minutes of the meeting 28th July 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) New hedge The Stocks Minute 4(e)

Installed contrary to permission > SNC Planning & Care & Repair, Daventry

* Enforcement awaits (1M fence only approved) unauthorised hedging on highway land

(b) Regional Plan Partial Review: Options Consultation Minute 8(e)

Circulated for comment > Clerk to respond (circulation file with Cllr Roberts?)

(c) Highways Representatives Annual Conference Minute 8(i)

Wed 9th December 2009 venue tba - depending on numbers

* Attending > Cllr Smith u/a Clerk attends

(d) SNC Chairman Cllr David Aaronson Fund Raising Minute 8(j)

E-mail via Cllr McCord accepting comments and looking at an alternative

(e) Playing Field fencing or play equipment Minute 9(d)

WP (Cllrs Childs, Roberts and Bracey) & clerk supported fencing on site held after PC Meeting

* Cost and application issues discussed - Award For All application agreed > clerk to deal

(f) New BG Landscaping Minute 12(a)

Application for retention of fencing and vari condition re planting which would negate the area of donated land > Action agreed – application next meeting

5. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item

6. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

Absent – report read

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

Absent – no reports

7. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2009/0720/FUL + Amendment Ground floor and first floor extensions to side and rear.
4 Yardley Road

* No objection - comment on party wall legislation

(b) Permissions Granted / Refused / Recommendations to Committee

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

(d) Press Notices

None

8. Correspondence (list at the meeting)

*** (a) SLCC**

Playground safety courses – clerk advised on current procedure > NFA

*** (b) West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit**

West Northants Joint Core Strategy – Emergent JCS Consultation 31st July – 11th September 2009
This will shape the area for the next 20 years and beyond.

Exhibition dates SNC 12-14th August & Towcester TH 24-26th August E-mailed to Cllrs

* Clerk attended SNC 14th August and instructed to respond

(c) Northampton BC

Emerging Strategy for Central Area Action Plan > CDR circulated for info

(d) N/CALC Update

Circulated for info

*** (e) SNC Major Projects / Strategic Planner**

SNC Major Projects – Towcester Vale - Presentation on Strategic Policy Matters Monday 10th
August attended by Cllr Roberts and the clerk (see 8(b) above)

* Response to be agreed > clerk deals

(f) NCC Volunteers Coordinator

Coordinator to PPWs > Cllr Smith

(g) Rural Services Network

The 'Village Hub' – community access and information points > circulated for info

*** (h) John Corbey re 6a Stratford Road**

Pre application consultation (to vary S/2006/1373/P) > e-mailed to members

* Cosgrove Parish Council have no strong views on the retention of a ground floor shop due to questionable viability. This is a consideration for the SNC Economic Advisor. However, the original application was for three terraced dwellings with a shop on the ground floor. Indicative plans now indicate 4 terraced dwellings which we consider an overdevelopment and cramped use of the site

*** (i) SLCC**

Project Management Course Monday 28th September 10 – 4pm @ Harben House Hotel, Newport Pagnell (£95 open to Clerks, Chairman & Cllrs - application form) > NFA

*** (j) South Northants Homes**

Independent Board Member required > nb / website and Old Mail

9. Finance

(a) The Council to approve budgetary controls to date (Attached to Agenda)

* **RESOLVED** approve by unanimous decision.

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance

Treasurer's a/c: £71.35

Business Call a/c: £12,557.98

Earmarked Reserves: £10,614.95

Available Capital: £2,014.38

* R&P Book submitted for signature as part of the Internal Audit procedure

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

001024 Clerks Stipend: £341.50

001025 Petty Cash: £16.94

001026 AH Contracts: £14.79 (Dog bin contract Jun)

001027 NJ Blackwell: £693.97 (Mowing)

10. Street Lighting

(a) Request from Cllr Stokes that the additional PL o/s Church is required > deferred Autumn

11. Highways

(a) Complaint re litter bins after collection Bridge Road > SNC

(b) Clerk reported meeting with MGWSP re outstanding items and agreement > for file

(c) Safety issues discussed on 2* Listed Canal Bridge > clerk to request safety audit

(d) O/s Coslast Hse, Main Street overgrown hedge > Cllr Smith deals first instance

(e) St Vincent's Well Field inhabited caravans on the perimeter > SNC

(f) Parking and wheely bin storage 47 Bridge Road > clerk to deal

12. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda (AOB)

(a) Replacement tree Stratford Road and o/s church > deferred

(b) School Consultation re new hall > 9 Sept

(c) N/b for new shelter (details to Cllr Smith) for next meeting

13. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 29th September 2009 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.56pm