

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

Held on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2008 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

### Present:

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mrs J Childs, Mr R Gibbs, Mrs H Harbottle & Mr C Stokes;

Also present were Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC) and 4 members of the public

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr D Smith, Mrs J Storey (away) & Mr P Roberts (family illness)

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

None

### 3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 24<sup>th</sup> June 2008

Minutes of the meeting 24<sup>th</sup> June 2008 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

#### (a) Rural Reach Grants Minute 4(c)

Cllr Childs deals > previously deferred

\* Clerk now deals with Awards for All for Bus Shelter / Play Equipment

#### (b) SNC Head of Planning & Leisure Minute 8(b)

Rescheduled meeting 19<sup>th</sup> June > Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July (Update on the Joint Core Strategy)

\* Clerk unable to attend > Cllr Harbottle / Chairman unable

#### (c) Highways Issues Minute 11(a) – (c)

Cosgrove Hall side hedge Stratford Road (obstructs s136 contract > copy to Cllr Stokes)

Second weed suppression Coffin Walk required – village maintenance that day?

### 5. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item

### 6. District and County Councillor Reports

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

Not present

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

Spoke on the Summer Recess, Trading Standards Conference attended. CCllr volunteer moneys and other grants - Disabled X over still not installed discussed along with other highway issues > E-mail

### 7. Planning

#### (a) Applications Received

None

#### (b) Permission Granted / Refused / Recommended to Committee

**Refused** – 30 Berth Marina at Isworth Farm, Northampton Road (Policy issues noted)

#### (c) Enforcement / Appeals

#### (d) Press Notices

None

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

**\* (a) SNC Principal Legal Officer**

Legal Fees re proposed CPO Cosgrove Hall and letter of explanation of fees not levelled

**\* (b) SNC – Affordable Housing**

Leaflet and Newsletter (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition) – Rural exception sites (circulated for info especially on highlighted criteria)

**\* (c) Northamptonshire NHS PCT**

Facing the Future in Northamptonshire – discussion doc on future plans + Invitation to Question Time @ Rodber Suite, The Saints Rugby Ground, Northampton 31 July 6 – 8pm > NFA

**(d) EA Flood Management**

Road Closure Notifications due to flooding > circulated for info

**\* (e) NCC Interim Head of Transport & Highways**

Transport & Highways – Communication with our customers feedback questionnaire

**(f) Northamptonshire Police Area Commander**

Newsletter including ‘Open Door Days’ when members can question Chief Supt Phillips by appointment > circulated for info and consideration

**\* (g) GO-EM / Northamptonshire ACRE**

Government’s agenda on climate change > Northampton Guildhall on Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Sept @ 6.30pm  
\* NFA

**\* (h) SN Volunteer Bureau**

SN Forum Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Sept Syresham Village Hall @ 4pm (Police / NACRE presentation on Speedwatch Campaign

\* Cllr Harbottle attends

**(i) SNC Chief Executive**

SNC 2008/9 Performance Plan – Planning for Change > circulated for info

**(i) SNC Planning & Leisure Dept**

Summer Activities > nb and circulated for info

**(j) SNC Environmental Health**

Cryptosporidium found in water – Not Cos area > Clerk had immediately posted advice note to nb’

**\* (k) Northampton Town Football Club**

Offer to residents as part of the PCs welcoming Pack – use of website and ticket voucher available on request

\* To promote or not > Cllr Harbottle deals

**(l) CPRE**

‘Decline, decay and desertion’ a look at Northamptonshire history since the black death etc. Great Houghton Village Hall 7pm Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October (cost £10.00) > circulated for info

**\* (m) Letter re Burial**

Request for a reserved plot for ashes with immediate family

\* deferred

## **9. Finance**

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

\* **RESOLVED** to approve. (Not all members were able to open E-mail attachment)

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

Treasurer's a/c:	£78.06
Business Call a/c:	£29,857.71
Earmarked Reserves:	£25,177.45
<b>Available Capital:</b>	<b>£4,758.32</b>

### **(c) Payment agreed of outstanding accounts listed below**

000947	Clerks Stipend:	£322.50
000948	Petty Cash:	£15.32
000949	NJ Blackwell:	£431.68 (Mowing)
000950	AH Contracts:	£28.76 (Dog Bin Contract June/July)
000951	E.ON:	£238.58 (PL Energy)
000952	SNC:	£8,210.00 (Legal Fees Min:8(a))

## **10. Extension to Cosgrove Burial Ground**

Deferred

## **11. Street Lighting**

No reports

## **12. Highways**

(a) Outstanding issues further discussed – Mowing schedule and specs to Cllr Stokes

## **13. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda (AOB)**

None

## **14. Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2008 commencing at 7.30pm

## **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**RESOLVED:** That, in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting by the reason of its confidential nature.

### **8(m) Letter re Burial**

Request for a reserved plot for ashes with immediate family discussed and agreed

## **10. Extension to Cosgrove Burial Ground**

Enclosure discussed and the clerk advised options – quotes required to duplicate boundary fencing  
Courtesy call to adjacent landowner / donor after decision and costing agreed

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm