

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on 31st March 2009 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 P Roberts, Mr D Smith & Mr C Stokes

Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 10 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs J Storey (unavailable), Mr I McCord (SNC) & Mr A Walker (NCC) were away

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

Cllr Hickie declared a personal non prejudicial interest on S/2008/1409/P & S/2008/1410/CA

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 24th February 2009

Minutes of the meeting 24th February 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Bus Shelter Minute 4(b)

Work has commenced – completion date awaits

(b) New BG Landscaping Minute 4(c)

Cllr McCord (SNC) had agreed to seek clarification on imposed conditions - awaits

(c) Cosgrove Hall Gate House Minute 4(e)

Enforcement - Cllr McCord (SNC) requested to chase – update on SNCs current position

* Letter to be sent regarding the delays in enforcement

(d) SNC Play Project Co-ordinator Minute 8(a)

Big Lottery Children's Play Initiative Programme: Mobile Project > circulated for decision

* Unanimous decision to register interest at this time

(e) Community Safety Panel Meeting Minute 8(b)

Attended by Cllr Gibbs and NW > report circulated

5. Public Speaking Time

None present

6. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

Cllr McCord had copied E-mails to all updating and informing on issues

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

No report

7. Planning

(a) Applications Received

Cllr Hickie left the meeting for the next two applications

S/2008/1409/P Amendments to Application to Demolition existing detached workshop and replace with residential annexe. Medlar House, Stratford Road

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* No further comment or observations

S/2009/0135/P Twenty chalet boarding cattery. Badgers Farm, Northampton Road

* **OBJECTION** Application remains contrary to open countryside policy and Policies 1, 2 & 3 of the Regional Spatial Strategy (EM), Policies G2 & RE3 of the County Structure Plan, Policies G2, G3, E7 and EV2 of the SNC Local Plan. Despite the attempt to mitigate the visual intrusion this was subject to a previous failed appeal. The main issue remains Road Safety on the A508 subject to 60mph and the access for turning or exiting traffic

S/2009/0175/NA Variation of Phase 2 extraction boundary Land Adjacent Manor Farm, Wolverton (MKC) > For information only (SNC Response attached)

* No further comments

S/2009/0237/P Single storey front extension Elm Tree Farm, Thrupp Wharf, Cosgrove

* No objection (although policy was discussed)

(b) Permissions Granted / Refused / Recommendations to Committee

Permit Single storey extension 40 Main Street

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Appeal Allowed Demolition of 15 Bridge Road, residential development including new estate road

* Appeal permission details noted and discussed for consideration at detailed application stage (Report copied to all members prior to the meeting)

(d) Press Notices

None

8. Correspondence (list at the meeting)

*** (a) CPRE Northamptonshire**

Planning Road Show – info on 2008 Planning Act and wind turbines > Cllr Robert to attend

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

Subsidised Bus Services 2009 – Contract renewal > discuss times to/from MK & Towcester & Northampton

* Time-table and changes supported > letter

(c) NJ Blackwell

Public Liability Insurance Certificate > noted for file

(d) SN Homes

Copy letter to householders affected on rent increase and new ways to pay > circulated for info

(e) SNC / Aylesbury Vale DC

Silverstone Development Brief > see details SNC website

(f) SNC Director of Community Engagement and Corporate Services

From 1 April cash payment no longer accepted at SNC. Letters to regular payees > Noted for file

*** (g) NCC / NHS Welfare Group**

Pandemic Flu Workshop on the preparation for a flu pandemic – Emergency Parish Plans > to consider

* Discussed NFA

(h) AH Contracts

Dog Bin Contractor – Risk Management & Certificate of Registration under the Control of Pollution (Amendment) Act 1989 > For file

*** (i) Northamptonshire BTCV Project Officer**

Conservation projects

* Discussed > NFA no finances for costs involved

(j) EM Regional Assembly Director of Housing, Planning & Transportation

East Midlands Regional Plan Partial Review focusing on the post 2021 period in relation to new housing provision > circulated for info

(k) East Midlands Development Agency Head of Communications

Agency database update completed by the clerk > for file

*** (l) MGWSP**

Request for farmer details (with snow ploughs) to assist in heavy snow > NFA

9. Finance

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

* **RESOLVED** to approve

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance

Treasurer's a/c:	£70.37
Business Call a/c:	£19,069.43
Earmarked Reserves:	£13,569.95
Available Capital:	£5,569.85

(c) Payment agreed of outstanding accounts listed below

000989	Clerks Stipend:	£322.50
000990	Petty Cash:	£10.99
000991	AH Contracts:	£14.08 (Dog bin contract Mar)
000992	Cosgrove VH:	£165.00 (Hall Hire)
000993	NJ Blackwell:	£362.25 (Clear middle cemetery)
000994	E.ON:	£162.21 (PL Maintenance) (>31 Mar 09)
000995	Cosgrove VH:	£500.00 (Annual donation s19 LG (MP) Act 1976)

1 April

000996	Allianz:	£812.46 (Village Insurance)
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10. Street Lighting

(a) Problems with the repair of PL7 Mansel Close by E.ON due to staff shortages and commitments elsewhere? From 1st April > Aylesbury Mains

(b) Village sign illumination discussed

(c)

(d)

(e)

11. Highways

(a) Badgers Farm floodlights affecting road safety on the A508

(b)

(c)

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

None

13. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 28th April 2009 following the Annual Open Meeting commencing at 7.00pm

With no other business the meeting closed at pm