

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on 28th October 2008 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr AG Hickie (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mr R Gibbs, Mrs H Harbottle, Mr P Roberts & Mrs J Storey; Also present were Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC) and 0 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mrs J Childs (maternity leave), Mr D Smith & Mr C Stokes (away)

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 30th September 2008

Minutes of the meeting 30th September 2008 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Speedwatch campaign Minute 4(a)

Report by clerk > involvement deferred

(b) N/CALC AGM Minute 4(b)

Cllr Harbottle and clerk attended – report given > Annual attendance recommended

(c) Castlethorpe Road near Navigation PH Ongoing

Castlethorpe PC Complaint re water on the carriageway ('Run off' from field > Farmer / NCC advised BW requested to inspect Canal) made worse by crab apple fall - MKC/NCC deal

5. To approve plans and funding for bus shelter / BG extension

* Discussed and **RESOLVED** that with finances available the Bus Shelter be constructed asap and the new BG be enclosed as soon as permission for the Change of Use is approved
(A solicitor's letter to the previous land owner proposed to confirm the enclosure + a copy of the original PC letter outlining proposals seeking consent - NR)

6. Public Speaking Time

No public present

7. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

Not present

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

Cllr Walker confirmed £1,200 was formally agreed after the clerk's application. He spoke further on 4(c) and the liaison between NCC and MKC

8. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2008/1165/P Demolition of existing buildings & wall. Erection 7 dwellings with car park

(Alterations to materials, boundary treatment etc. (Information Only) Land at The Stocks

* No further comments

S/2008/1409/P Demolition of existing workshop and replace with residential annex

S/2008/1410/CA Demolish existing detached workshop and replace with residential annex
Medlar House, Stratford Road

* No objection - despite concerns on the scale of the application, provided that it remains ancillary to the main dwelling

(b) Permissions Granted / Refused / Recommendations to Committee

Refused – OP for 9 dwellings rear of Bridge Road (already subject to appeal)

Permit – Change of roof angle and other amendments. Rear of The Old Plough, 15 Main Street

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Enforcement – State of the old PO (and allegations of internal demolition and roof) > SNC

It was also noted that dumping was taking place and used for contractors parking No 4 (s257?)

(d) Press Notices

None

9. Correspondence (list at the meeting)

(a) Information Commissioners Office

Data Protection Act Registration due (by dd) after 5 November > for file / accounts noted

(b) SNC Director of Service Delivery

SNC re-organisation and contact details > noted / copy to file

(c) Shaw & Sons Ltd

2008/9 list of publications > file

*** (d) NCC / MGSWP Highways**

Next Repls meeting 6.30pm 29th October @ Brixworth > NFA

*** (e) SNC Principal Housing Officer**

Joint SNC / Daventry DC initiative on homelessness services > Directory for file

*** (f) NCC / Environment Agency**

Flood Fair Wednesday 29th Oct @ The Great Hall (NBC) 9am – 6pm > to be discussed NFA

*** (g) SNC Chief Executive**

Meet the Directors – invitation to Chairman (or other Council rep) @ Brackley TH 7-9 3rd Dec

* The Chairman and clerk to attend (unless SNC location for same later?)

*** (h) SNC Lead Officer: Planning Policy**

Local Development Framework (LDF): Village confines. Choice between Criteria Based Policy / Village Confines Policy. Response by Oct 16th > Retention of confines preferred sent by the clerk under dedicated powers - approved

*** (i) East Midlands Regional Assembly**

East Midlands Regional Plan: Partial Review – response by 12 December > the clerk to deal

(j) SNC Director of Service Delivery

SNC development implementation service – Forum Invitation 16/10 for 27/10 attended by the clerk
Who spoke on the item

10. 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: £35.68

Business Call a/c: £26,404.48

Earmarked Reserves: £18,254.95

Available Capital: £8,185.21

(d) To approve s137 donation to Old Mail

RESOLVED: That the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interest of the area and its inhabitants namely a donation of £105.00

(c) Payment agreed of outstanding accounts listed below

000965 Clerks Stipend: £322.50

000966 Petty Cash: £77.67 (Itemised)

000967 NJ Blackwell: £431.69 (Mowing)

000968 AH Contracts: £14.38 (Dog bin contract)

000969 E.ON: £238.58 (PL Energy)

000970 The Old Mail: £105.00 (Min:10(d))

11. To approve new model re Freedom of Information Act (attached to the minutes)

RESOLVED to approve and adopt new model of Freedom of Information Act

12. Street Lighting

No reports

13. Highways

(a) E-mail addressed to the clerk from Interim Head of Transport and Highways to meet (with Cllr Walker - discussed) along with a request to highlight 10 local priorities by 20 Oct

* 10 points sent (highlighted by previous minutes including outstanding safe routes to school)

(b) Lay-by o/s 8 Bridge Road – request from householder via Cllr Smith > SNHomes

(c) Speed Issues discussed – SID? Siting > Police / Community Safety Team

(d) Play Area – grass length > contractor

(c) Barrier o/s old PO moved and rubbish / bonfires discussed > SNC Environmental Health

14. To Approve NCC s136 Agreement re Highway Grass Mowing

RESOLVED to approved s136 Contract

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

(a) Budget meeting for after next meeting

16. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 25th November 2008 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.35pm