

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 3rd July 2019 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr Smith (W) (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mrs F Childs Mr M Draddy, Mr J Proctor, Mr P Roberts, Mr D Smith & Ms T Wallace,

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 4 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Ms T Wallace & Mr I McCord (SNC) away

2. Casual Vacancy by Co-Option to fill current vacancy

Notice to fill vacancy still displayed nb (recent Old Mail reminder)

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

None

4. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 5th June 2019

The minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 5th June 2019 were signed as true record

5. Clerks Report

- The Stocks > new nameplate required > ordered (SNC)
- Condition of Cosgrove Hall (2*LB) and condition of curtilage highway wall > still no info
- Rumours of motorsport off Northampton Road adj A508 near Public RoW > Off road motor sport policy circulated (to be monitored) > fires latest issue – Update?
- Old Mail > PC reporter? Still required

6. Public Speaking Time

BCS; Furtho Manor Farm application

7. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

No reports

8. Correspondence received since last meeting (list at the meeting)

In addition to email corres already circulated

(a) **Northants Highways**

Notice of road closure Stratford Road > circulated

(b) **SNAST Neighbourhood Watch**

Annual donation request

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 donations of £20

(c) **SNC**

Parish Clerks Forum @ SNC 16 July > clerk attends

(d) Came & Company

Village Insurance renewal LTA recommended @ £527.02 > for approval (due 1 Aug)

RESOLVED: to approve

9 Monthly roundup and issues from each councillor

- (a) **Chairman** > Speed watch training date 27/7 (3Hrs) @ Yardley Road
- (b) **Cllr Bracey** > Station Road causeway overgrown vegetation > My Street
- (c) **Cllr Childs** > Litter bin; Caravan Park; sign Main Street
- (d) **Cllr Draddy** > The Stocks proposal > plans next meeting
- (e) **Cllr Roberts** > Speed signs; Data / positioning
- (f) **Cllr D Smith** > Seat @ Xroads (Vegetation overhanging); Action?
- (g) **Cllr Wallace** > x
- (h) **Cllr Proctor** > Social media – litter Discussed at length

Note; Any organised volunteers list to the clerk for Insurance liability

10. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2019/1153/MAF Change of use of agricultural building to light industrial (retrospective)
Furtho Manor Farm Northampton Road OS > Noted

S/2019/01145/TPO T1 Cedar Tree – dismantle and fell The Priory > Noted

S/2019/1058/LDE Certificate of Lawfulness and proposed use comprising land to be used for the storage, maintenance and repair of fairground equipment land rear of Linden 14 Main Street

* **OBJECTION** if it is to include the whole of St Vincent's Well Field. Purpose built facilities already exists in Old Cosgrove Road in the applicant's ownership

S/2019/1051/FUL The creation of a 7m width vehicular access/egress Stratford Road adjacent to farm buildings

* **OBJECTION** unwarranted access into the open countryside in another's ownership. Access already exists for maintenance via an existing access and public footpaths gives adequate viewing access. The public towpath maintained by the Buckingham Canal also gives access.

A vehicular access into open countryside is therefore totally unjustified, as is a proposed car park alongside a Conservation Area asset contrary to policy. .

We also note that a neighbour consultee resides in Amersham Bucks and misleads and that there is no landowner comments

Interim

S/2019/1271/MAF Convert wing of dwelling into an additional dwelling (Retrospective)
3 The Stables, The Priory > noted

S/2019/1268/NA To allow 26 additional static holiday caravans to remain on site throughout the year Cosgrove Lodge Park, Main Street Cosgrove (MKC element)

* Concern remains that any additional homes will be delivered through Cosgrove village with the usual disruption and possible damage. There is also the issue of evidence of residential use Throughout the year with the evidence of early morning traffic from the park out of season, an issue

regularly commented on, despite the park allegedly being closed out of season. Resident comments are that the park is not a good neighbour especially falling in two authorities with little apparent support from MKC

- (b) **Decision Notices**
- (c) **Enforcement / Appeals**
- (d) **Press Notices**

None

11. Finance

(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date

(b) To Adopt Current State of Finance

Treasurer's a/c:	£915.27
Business Inst a/c:	£33,348.55
Earmarked Reserves:	£19,159.00
Available Capital:	£15,104.82

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

001861	Clerks Salary:	£356.80
001862	HMRC:	£89.20 (PAYE)
001863	Petty Cash:	£11.75
001864	DNH Contracts:	£60.00 (Environmental > June)
001865	Aylesbury Mains:	£39.24 (repair PL 3 Orchard Close)
001866	NJ Blackwell:	£963.41 (Mowing June)
001867	NCALC:	£42.00 (CPD Cllr Proctor)
001868	SNAST:	£20.00 (s137 donation Min:8(b))
001869	Came & Company:	£527.02 (LTA Village Insurance Min8(c))
001870	Cllr Smith (W):	£10.99 (Padlock for VAS)

12. Street Lighting

No reports

13. Highways

- (a) Mansel Close end - serious weed growth in kerb edge > My street

14. Proposed work programme (projects for the coming year)

Cllr Draddy outline proposals for playing field > full proposals next meeting

15. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

Condition of Solomans Bridge (Grade 2* Listed) further damage and erosion after previous vehicle impact (not yet repaired) > concern about safety > My street

16. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 7th August 2019 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.54pm

Cosgrove Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
July 2019

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Ongoing	Dog fouling	New Dog bin top of steps Main St/Towpath	Installed and well used Weekly emptying top of HT May BH > Oct
	Litter	Additional Litter Bins	SNC to approve (still awaits)
2018	PL numbering?	In house completion	project for 2019/20
Ongoing	Highway Issues	Continual review (More accidents > NCC)	Bridge Road subsidence NCC monitor only? No action can be afforded MP/ NCC Yardley Rd/Castlethorpe 842567 * (Plan awaits work ticket)
	Stratford Road	Tree line encroaches	Road width reduced > NCC again
	Canal Bridge	Request Bridge one way	Not approved by NCC Highways (Unable due to f/w specs on old structure) Damage not yet repaired
	Pot holes	Monitored	Slow repairs (marked 7/18)
	Caravan Park traffic	Monitored Awaits decision	Photos sent to endorse NCC Highways comments that Main St/Bridge Rd unsuitable for large vehicles and caravan deliveries Meetings to continue
	Caravan Park	Liaison commenced	
	Salt Bin	Yardley Road	To be returned as parish asset
Ongoing	Blocked drains	When required Especially horse tunnel	Monitoring
Ongoing	Bulb planting	Agreed locations	Resident (HR) dealt and supported
	Living Tree	Xroads	Planted