

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 2nd October 2019 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr W Smith (in the chair), Mr A Bracey, Mr M Draddy, Mr D Little (FromMin:2),
Mr J Proctor, Mr D Smith & Ms T Wallace

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr C Bird (work commitments) & Mr P Roberts (work away),
Cllrs Mr I McCord (SNC) & Mr A Walker (NCC) (both attending new WNC meeting)

2. Co-Option of Mr Digory Little as agreed

Cllr Digory Little was welcomed onto the council

3. Declaration of Acceptance

Cllr Little duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance; supplied with the Standing Orders, Code of Conduct and other relevant documents. DPI also completed

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

None

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

The minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 4th September 2019 were signed as true record

6. Clerks Report

- The Stocks > new nameplate in place
- Old Mail > PC reporter? still required > Cllr Wallace agreed to cover
- Remembrance issues > Discussed approval of PL poppies (with the fallen names)
- BG gate repaired after tree fall (Medlar)

7. Public Speaking Time

A508 new lane markings and Right Turn lane from A508 > Yardley Road appears too narrow and dangerous; Cladding to new extension Stratford Road rear Mansel Close

8. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC) Reports in his absence:

Preparation for the unitary councils continue. There is a dedicated project team working through the issues and the defined workstreams are now in place. Only yesterday I attended a leader's meeting in which we were discussing the engagement strategy in which I was vocal that we needed to inform residents and parishes as to how things were going to be. I am assured this is a matter of time.

Planning – I have asked SNC planning to take a close look at the application from Buckingham Canal Society for access to the land off Stratford Road. I have seen many residents comments on the website but most are not planning objections. That we all know this is for something else will not be sustained as a planning reason. I have asked that we energise NCC Highways to take an interest in this one to ensure that we get vehicle movements, and use. Conditions limiting this to BCS use only I fear can easily be changed should other uses be suggested. I am thinking that if there are few movements then a single track with passing place may be more appropriate than a full access. I shall keep you informed as to any progress.

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

No reports

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

(In addition to corres already circulated)

(a) Resident re ashes advised > Cllr D Smith to deal near neighbour

(b) Grounds Maintenance Grit bin supplies costing > Chairman and for file

(c) CPRE Planning roadshow 10 October @ Great Houghton from 6.30pm > NFA

* Clerk to hold training session if required

(d) NALC Update Including Local Government reorganisation > to note

* N/CALC AGM date circulated > NFA no attendees

(e) Cosgrove Village Hall

Request annual donation **RESOLVED** to approve

10. Playing Field proposals (outlined by Cllr Draddy)

No proposals submitted > NFA

11. Monthly roundup and issues from each councillor

(a) Chairman > Speed checks

(b) Cllr Bracey > x

(c) Cllr Bird > reports that Main Street pot holes are repaired

(d) Cllr Draddy > Roads and vegetation

(e) Cllr Roberts > x

(f) Cllr D Smith > General update

(g) Cllr Wallace > x

(h) Cllr Proctor > Poppies order (names discussed)

(i) Cllr Little > PC quiz team!

12. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2019/1827/TPO TPO 002-1998 1 x Horse chestnut-reduce braced lateral branch back to pollard
T10 1x mature walnut – reduce crown by approx 4m in height and spread Stable Cottage,
Priory Road > Noted

S/2019/1747-1750/CON Conditions The Stables Priory Road > Conditions noted

S/2019/1785/FUL Creation of access on Stratford Road including crossover, gate and surfaced
track Land

* **OBJECTION** Unjustified incursion into open countryside contrary to policy for the following reasons; The intended entrance and track width is wider than Stratford Road itself. The removal of two established parish trees is unjustified given the previous assurance (withdrawn application) that no trees would be removed. There is existing access already in use for the canal restoration which continues at a snails pace and has done since 1990 and whilst the attached report suggests, that the traffic would be of a higher tonnage it remains unspecified; Not sure what swept analysis of typical vehicle use is or what is untypical to those already using the existing access; This is not an agricultural permitted development for a field access onto farm land and with no firm planning intentions other than aspirations, the application should be refused on these grounds alone.

S/2019/1721/TCA Fell two walnut trees Burial Ground rear of 4 The Stocks > for CosPC

INTERIM

S/2019/1851/ FUL Installation of roof lights to rear elevation 4 The Tannery

* Observation: Previous application for canalside elevation was refused > now over car park in CA

(b) Decision Notices

Clerk to check and report on 2018 Stratford Road app (cladding complaint) to approved application

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

(d) Press Notices

None

13. Finance

(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date

(b) To Adopt Current State of Finance

Treasurer's a/c:	£925.17
Business Inst a/c:	£42,241.86 (Incl VAT + 2/2 Precept)
Earmarked Reserves:	£21,181.45
Available Capital:	£21,589.75

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

001884	Clerks Salary:	£356.80
001885	HMRC:	£89.20 (PAYE)
001886	Petty Cash:	£18.31
001887	DNH Contracts:	£60.00 (Environmental > September)
001888	NJ Blackwell:	£674.78 (Mowing September)
001889	Aylesbury Mains:	£39.24 (PL1 repair Orchard Close)
001890	Cosgrove Village Hall:	£500.00 (Annual Donation Min:9(e))

14 Street Lighting

Ayl5esbury Mains reply to numbering request > quote is accepted and discussed

* **RESOLVED** that approval be given with instructions to renumber = sequential each street

16. Highways

(a) Clerk to check Traffic Signs & General Directions re road width and lane marking A508

(b) Outstanding pot holes (Main Street repaired) but Stratford Road before and prior to church bend NOT repaired despite previous markings and notification

(c) Overgrowth o/s 42 Bridge Road obstructs again with photos

16. Proposed work programme (projects for the coming year) > deferred

17. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

None

18. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 6th November 2019 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.30pm

Cosgrove Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
October 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 TP May BH > Oct by CosPC contractor
	Litter	Additional Litter Bins	SNC to approve (still awaits)
	PL numbering?	In house completion	project for 2019/20
Ongoing	Highway Issues	Continual review	Bridge Road subsidence NCC monitor only? No action can be Justified; Scruffy yes dangerous No > NFA
	Yardley Road	(More accidents > NCC)	Yardley Rd/Castlethorpe 842567 * (Plan awaits work ticket)
	Stratford Road	Tree line encroaches	Road width reduced > NCC again
	Canal Bridge	One way considered	Not approved by NCC Highways (Unable due to f/w specs on old structure) Damage not yet repaired
	Pot holes	Monitored	Slow repairs > reminders
	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 requested
	Caravan Park	Liaison to commence	
	Salt Bin	Yardley Road	Returned as a 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