

Cosgrove Parish Council

MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 4th December 2019 at the Village Hall, Bridge Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr W Smith (in the chair), Mr C Bird, Mr A Bracey, Mr M Draddy, Mr D Little, 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

Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC) Family commitments

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 6th November 2019

The minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 6th November 2019 were signed as true record

4. Clerks Report

- BG Walnut trees to be felled 20/21st January
- Update on Highways Issues Bridge Road

5. Public Speaking Time

Traffic / highway condition Bridge Road between canal bridge and Main Street >< caravan park
The Stocks > horse tunnel water egress for bank o/s dwelling (CRT response) > clerk to investigate

6. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

No reports

(b) Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)

The 18/19 budget has been passed by the auditors KPM. the 19/20 budget will be audited by Earnst Young.

This year's budget is liable to show a small profit which will go into reserves. At present we are £7M short of a balanced budget of £412M revenue.

The Unitary preamble was progressing up until a General Election was called. Who knows what will happen if its a "Hung Parliament" ????

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

(In addition to corres already circulated)

No further correspondence

8. Monthly roundup and issues from each councillor

- (a) **Chairman** > Radar; canal towpath condition (accident report)
- (b) **Cllr Bracey** > nr
- (c) **Cllr Bird** > nr
- (d) **Cllr Draddy** > Xmas lights; tidy up and assistance re The Stocks leak
- (e) **Cllr Roberts** > nr (bus shelter guttering awaits repair)
- (f) **Cllr D Smith** > Grips @ Dogsmouth bend cleared (Cllr Draddy)
- (g) **Cllr Wallace** > nr *Called away at this point Emergency @8.10pm*

- (h) **Cllr Proctor** > Poppies (future ideas discussed)
- (i) **Cllr Little** > CRT issues > discussed + SNC enforcement details

9. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2019/2246/COND Condition re landscaping Scheme Change of use of land to Green Burial Ground Badgers Farm, Northampton Road

* SNC advised on failure to comply with highway requirements

S/2019/2354/COND Wooden cladding samples application after enforcement 12 Stratford Road

* Noted after complaint and enforcement notice

(b) Decision Notices

Approved Installation of roof lights to rear elevation 4 The Tannery

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Enforcement Notice re cladding 12 Stratford Road

(d) Press Notices

None

10. Finance

(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date

(b) To Adopt Current State of Finance

Treasurer's a/c:	£773.80
Business Inst a/c:	£38,260.27
Earmarked Reserves:	£21,120.25
Available Capital:	£17,913.62

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

001900	Clerks Salary:	£356.80
001901	HMRC:	£89.20 (PAYE)
001902	Petty Cash:	£13.85
001903	DNH Contracts:	£66.00 (Environmental > November)

(d) To Consider and Adopt Interim Audit (circulated with Agenda)

* Reviewed and adopted

11 Street Lighting

(a) PL2 Orchard Close now repaired

(b) PL numbering by contractor approved > awaits

12. Highways

(a) O/s 41 Bridge Road > monitoring with NCC condition to developer

* request for additional street lamp? opposite entrance

(b) Bridge Road condition outside cottages

(c) Stratford Road bend outside the Dower House hedgerow reduces road width

13. Proposed work programme (projects for the coming year) > deferred New Year

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

None

15. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 8th January 2020 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.28pm

Cosgrove Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
December 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) CosPC to advise
	PL numbering?	Contractor approval	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 at this time
	Yardley Road	(More accidents > NCC)	Yardley Rd/Castlethorpe 842567 * Approved Plan chased
	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 > some 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
	Caravan Park	Liaison to commence	Meetings requested
	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