

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2022 at the Village Hall Commencing at 7.30pm

(Face coverings remain optional)

### Present:

Cllrs Mr D Smith (in the chair), Mr C Bird, Mr A Bracey, Mrs S Comerford, Mr M Draddy, Mr C Peacock, Mr J Proctor & Mr P Roberts

Also present were Cllr Mr I McCord & Mr K Pritchard (WNC), Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 14 members of the public

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Full Council although a vacancy remains

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

None

### 3. Minutes for approval of the Meeting dated Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Minutes of meeting Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 were approved and signed as a correct record

### 4. Clerks Report

- Cosgrove Hall issues are unresolved with WNC > Cllr McCord
- Remembrance wreath order and donation discussed > Cllr Smith
- BCS Open Day Sat 15 Oct commencing 11.30am > Locks Lane > circulated last meeting
- Furtho Pit interim update (Planning Protocol –vs- Transparency Q)
- Poplar Tree playing field > pollarded but central stem remains of concern in high winds (Clerk explained initial decision re cost and (WNC report) but has requested contractor to complete permission and reduce height asap)

### 5. Allotments

As Cllr Proctor was absent from last meeting he agreed with minutes content

\* Water connection to be completed by end of week. Old Village Telegraph poles > allotment Allotment bank account in place for self sufficiency

### 7. WNC Councillor Report

Cllr McCord spoke on the review of Cllr/Ward numbers and outlined % of residents dictate; School preference closing date; Full WNC > Special needs school costs; Cllr members concerns on possible overspend? and Area Partnerships (Doctors surgeries etc):

Then turned to Local Planning issues AL5 ((+ A11 = DHL, AL2 approved, AL3 = Shacks Barn, AL4 = Tiffield A43) and Highways issues; AL5 will need Highways – Traffic Survey

Cllr Pritchard then spoke on National Highways issues and whether it should be granted!; IM/KP then spoke on Policy allocations? The SPD awaits which could influence (B1, B2 & B8 (Warehousing))

AL5 B2, B8 and other, with A508 access via RAB, plan shows a T junction (with traffic lights?0 but no details; Allegedly Market Lad; Issues remain on contaminated land, cycle and pedestrian access –vs- HGVs; Country Park? Maintenance; Application (with an indicated number of lorry movements and car parking; HGV parking spaces + 24hrs operation; Traffic A5/A508 << M1 J15 and the current delay on rail connections there;

\* The clerk added that the Emmett's current access appears to be severed from the gated Old Cosgrove Road with existing Rights of Way to Old Stratford diverted and the traffic assumption that are reintroduced are out of date

KP updated on the process, The Highways Statutory Powers (WNC & National Highways)

IM spoke on resident responses (and urged to do so) which should be relevant in planning terms

After an extended Q/A session during and after Cllr reports with Qs to the Parish Council

\* The Chairman called time on the session stating that any further Qs to the Parish Council should be via email for next meeting when the clerk would submit a response

**\* Meeting closed to allow public speaking**

Restricted to non AL5 planning issues

## **6. Public Speaking Time**

Caravan Park issues affecting the village and why CosPC were not part of the A5 Alliance

**\* Meeting reopened**

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

- Register of Interest in Clerks Position > noted

- WNC Open Spaces new rules (for dogs and smoking etc) > noted

- WNC Planning Peer Review > circulated

## **9. Planning**

### **(a) Applications Received**

**WNS/2022/1823/FUL** Proposed outbuilding (garden room) in the rear garden of the property 44A Bridge Road (Previous LDP was refused)

\* Comment: Proposal is furthest property as viewed from Bridge Road BUT a comment made was that it is proposed to use rear boundary fence of adjacent property as its rear

**WNS/2022/1741/EIA** Furtho Pit Old Cosgrove Road OS

Erection of 9 x employment units comprising circa 69,744sqm GIA. of floorspace within Class B2 or B8 Uses, with ancillary class E(g)(i) offices and E(g)(ii) research and development, together with country park, ground re-profiling in the country park, new vehicular access from the A508 and associated site infrastructure, including lorry parking. Application accompanied by an Environmental Statement

> Comments due date 02/12/2022

\* Discussed – awaits response for next meeting

***Cllr Roberts gave apologies and left the meeting***

### **(b) Decision Notices**

**Note:** Change of use Furtho Pit and Pickering's area for storage Old Cosgrove Road

\* Planning Policy comments noted awaits case officer and decision (OSPC to Q policy guidance as outside AL5 red line) > No stated Cllr McCord

### **(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

### **(d) Press Notices**

None

***9 members of the public left the meeting at this point***

## **10 Finance**

(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date

\* **RESOLVED** to adopt

(b) **To Note Current State of Finance**

Treasurer's a/c:	£14,802.73
Business Inst a/c:	£49,970.40
Earmarked Reserves:	£59,756.33
<b>Available Capital:</b>	<b>£5,016.80</b>

(c) **To Note Accounts for Payment** (Proposed DS seconded JP and carried unanimously)

002129	Clerks Salary/Petty cash:	£398.00 (adjustment = £380.00 + Petty cash £14)*
002130	HMRC:	£96.00 (PAYE)
002131	DNH Contracts:	£90.00 (Environmental > Sep)
002132	NJ Blackwell GS:	£748.60 (Mowing > Sep)
002133	Arnold Thomson:	£965.60 (Legal Fees re LR of BG / Recreation ground)
002134	C Woodyard:	£700.00 (Tree work Recreation Ground)
002135	Spoilt	
002136	J Proctor:	£103.83 (Chipper hire Allotments)

\* Note: Previously payment to approve salary increase was 7/12 not 6/12 and is adjusted to confirm Running Balance /Paye totals

**11. Street Lighting**

Reports outstanding; Overgrowth obstructing new lamp by bridge > Resident deals

**12. Highways**

Issued discussed and deferred (Casualty Reduction and 20mph)

**13. Caravan Park**

Deferred to next agenda

**14. Monthly roundup and issues from each councillor**

- **Cllr Draddy** > Water collection from bus shelter and review and adapt where possible also Xmas lights and band (**RESOLVED**) to approve costs as previous year > next meeting
- **Cllr Bird** > tree planting new BG – delivery date /organise volunteers to plant
- **Cllr Bracey** > Causeway handrail from Castlethorpe issues
- **Cllr Comerford** > planter issues–to recommend action required to repair and revitalise
- **Cllr Proctor** > bus shelter graffiti (repainted) + gigaclear box cleaned
- **Cllr Roberts** > x
- **Cllr Peacock** > Email issues
- **Cllr Smith (D)** > Vegetation PL Bridge Road will be trimmed by volunteer after Hickford Lighting unable; SIDs batteries; Action tracker; Clerk to issue Job Description

**15. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda**

Working Party for tree planting – Play area report > next meeting re action – Britannia Bus

**20 Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.36pm