

# Cosgrove Parish Council

## MINUTES OF COSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020 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 (Cllr Ms S Comerford from Min:3)

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk); Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC) and 4 members of the public.

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Ms T Wallace > mail to Chairman 7/2 giving notice of resignation (change of circumstances)  
(As elections are in May > website for interest (to co-opt immediately without notice)  
Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC) unable

### 2. Co-option o fill current vacancy (CV circulated)

Sharron Comerford 41 Bridge Road was duly elected and welcomed onto the council

### 3. Declaration of Acceptance

Cllr Comerford signed the declaration of Acceptance and Declaration of Personal Interests; Was  
issued with Standing Order and the Code of Conduct

Cllr Mr D Smith was also elected as Vice Chair and signed the Declaration of Acceptance

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

None

### 5. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020

The minutes of the Meeting dated Wednesday 5th February 2020 were signed as true record

### 6. Clerks Report

- Leak issues The Stocks > request site meet has been dead! Chased (also copy of MPs response > circulated
- Gas Governor The Stocks; Cadentgas have moved this kiosk up the list and will prioritise it when the next batch of kiosks are replaced and this will start in April.
- Electrics The Stocks Bus Shelter (feasibility report (There aren't any obvious options on the bus shelter side of the road. I'd suggest contacting Western Power for locations of the nearest LV main. I'd then propose we install a mini feeder pillar and then run a private connection from there. How are the lights hung > action
- Web Site? Update by Cllr D Smith circulated
- River Bridge > CRT chased (along with MPs response to WP) > clerk to chase in 5 weeks

### 7. Public Speaking Time

Canal Leaks further discussed > thanks to the clerk; Meeting with CRT Engineer > Cllr Little to attend with the clerk when date agreed

### 8. District and County Councillor Reports

#### (a) Cllr Mr I McCord (SNC)

Had assisted with Highway issues; Spoke on MKC proposals > 2050 (Meeting arranged Clerk attends); Core Strategy Part 1 and R19 Preparation!; Oxford MK Cambridge proposals; Budget set; Election proposals for Unitary outlined

**(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) CPRE**

Planning Roadshow 2 April (previously circulated) > NFA

**(b) ACRE Parish Council Event 20 Feb @ Hunsbury**

Previously circulated > attended by Cllr Bird (Fee £10 or £35 missed annual fee)

**RESOLVED** to pay annual subscription

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

**(a) Cllr Bird** > Liaison with the CP; spoke on N/ACRE meeting

**(b) Cllr Bracey** > Csatlethorpe/Hanslope development; Station Road condition and Yardley Road junction agreed signage?

**(c) Cllr Draddy** > x

**(d) Cllr Little** > Village issues (lighting Bridge Road new development) and agreed CosPC correspondent (Old Mail)

**(e) Cllr Proctor** > Allotments progress; Planters

**(f) Cllr Roberts** > 42 Bridge Road parking; PL numbering; Podcast? SNC Enforcement Road Safety audit when development is complete

**(g) Cllr D Smith** > Website update

**(h) Chairman** > Parking

**(i) Cllr S Comerford** > Traffic

**11. Planning**

**(a) Applications Received**

S/2020/0252/FUL Proposed Loft Conversion and installation of x2 no..roof lights to the rear 5 The Tannery > Noted no objections

**(b) Decision Notices**

**Withdrawn** – Priory conversion of new dwelling

**(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

**(d) Press Notices**

None

**12. Finance**

**(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date**

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

Treasurer's a/c:	£1,131.97
Business Inst a/c:	£35,645.39 (Incl: NCC s136 grant)
Earmarked Reserves:	£19,866.45
<b>Available Capital:</b>	<b>£16,910.91</b>

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

001918	Clerks Salary:	£356.80
001919	HMRC:	£89.20 (PAYE)
001920	Petty Cash:	£23.87

001921	DNH Contracts:	£60.00 (Environmental > February)
001922	Cllr D Smith:	£18.62 (mileage NHW meeting Croughton)
001923	Cosgrove VH:	£276.00 (Hall hire)
001924	N/ACRE:	£35.00 (Subs Min:9(b))

**13. Street Lighting**

(a) Bridge Road lighting o/s new development (as above Min:10)

**14. Highways**

(a) Bridge Road Highways Inspection o/s 42 via WP > passed to NCC Highways for comment (comments as above Min:10)

**15. Proposed work programme (projects for the coming year)** > working on issues Village gateway and rails at canal bridge > outstanding works

*Cllr McCord gave apologies and left at this point*

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

None

**15. Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 commencing at 7.30pm

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2020 (Annual Open Meeting > villagers invitation)

With no other business the meeting closed at 9pm

**Cosgrove Parish Council**  
**Outstanding Activities**  
**March 2020**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Parish Action</b>	<b>Action by Others</b>
Ongoing	<b>Dog fouling</b>	New Dog bin top of steps Main St/Towpath	<b>Installed and well used</b> <b>Weekly emptying top of TP</b> <b>May BH &gt; Oct by CosPC</b> <b>contractor</b>
	<b>Litter</b>	Additional Litter Bins	<b>SNC to approve (still awaits)</b> <b>CosPC to advise</b>
	<b>PL numbering?</b>	Completed	
Ongoing	<b>Highway Issues</b>	Continual review	<b>Bridge Road subsidence NCC</b> <b>monitor only? No action can be</b> <b>Justified; Scruffy yes, dangerous</b> <b>No &gt; NFA at this time</b>
	<b>Yardley Road</b>	(More accidents > NCC)	<b>Yardley Rd/Castlethorpe 842567</b> <b>* Approved Plan chased</b>
	<b>Stratford Road</b>	Tree line encroaches	Tree line cut back
	<b>Canal Bridge</b>	Road safety – alternate one way?	Not approved by NCC Highways (Unable due to f/w specs on old structure) Damage not yet repaired > chased
	<b>Pot holes</b>	Monitored	<b>Slow repairs &gt; some reminders</b>
	<b>Caravan Park traffic</b>	Monitored	Deliveries now through Castlethorpe > contact with park manage advised
	<b>Caravan Park</b>	Liaison to commence	
	<b>Salt Bin</b>	Yardley Road	Returned as a parish asset
Ongoing	<b>Blocked drains</b>	When required Especially horse tunnel	<b>Monitoring</b>
Ongoing	<b>Bulb planting</b>	Agreed locations	Resident (HR) dealt and supported
	<b>Living Tree</b>	Xroads	Planted