

# Old Stratford Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

### Present:

Cllrs Mr A Pateman (in the chair), Mr C Carey, Mr A Holloway, Mrs N Laurence Ms K Morris, Mrs L Murgatroyd, Mrs L Ritson, Mrs N Ryder, Mr R Smith & Mrs S Tait  
Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllr Mr K Pritchard (SNC) & no members of the public

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)(injured).

### 2. Casual Vacancy

1 vacancy approved for co-option

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

Cllr Laurence re Play area / POS Maintenance (as WP Chair) & Footpaths (FPW)

Cllr Pateman personal non pecuniary interest S/2017/0821/FUL

Cllr Ritson personal prejudicial re S/2071/0713/TCA (Cllr application)

### 4. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Minutes of the meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017 were signed as a correct record (after amendment re Cllr Carey who had given apologies)

### 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes (for information only)

#### (a) Village Projects - update Minute 5(a)

Awaits April approval > now deferred until after County Elections (& a local election)

#### (b) NCC Lighting Towcester & London Road Minute 5(c)

Missing signage now pending after reminder despite assurances

\* Clerk to request original plans of signage and Q Balfour Beatty re issue with low energy lanterns

#### (c) Tree Planting in Memory of former Cllr MacDonald Minute 5(d)

Tree ordered – awaits delivery and planting and metal surround

#### (d) Northamptonshire Community Direct issues Minute 5(e)

Details received > P&CC meeting 18 April at Wooton Hall @ 7pm > Cllrs Pateman & Carey attend

#### (e) Blackhorse Balancing Pond and POS Minute 5(f)

Preliminary H&S Risk assessment carried out by Cllr Pateman > with the clerk for approval next meeting

#### (f) SNC Planning Policy

Briefing session on Local Plan Part 2A attended by the clerk Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 1800 – 2000

Who spoke on the item including proposed village confines (deferred to Min:8(a))

#### (g) Deanshanger Road /A422 temporary site for AW main Minute 14(b)

Topography blamed for flooding- Balfour Beatty state site to be reinstated asap

FPW deals with Rights of Way issues

**(h) Highway Tracker Minute 15(a)**

Action to promote after further issues > prioritise on 3<sup>rd</sup> option

**(i) Anglian Water Services OS main meter valve outstanding**

Works agreed contractors attended wrong site > new date TBA > noted

**6. Public Speaking Time** (Meeting closed for this item)

No members of the public present

**7. Northants Highways > re outstanding issues**

Reply E-mail received from HE about OS RAB circulated (thanks to Cllr Holloway) > deferred  
Potholes and other issues chased; Towcester Road verges (> Enhancement Gangs agreed)

\* Discussed at length - Clerk to request details from HE

**8. District & County Councillor Reports**

**(a) Cllr Pritchard (SNC)**

Spoke on community funding and delays (has requested that grants to be spread evenly throughout SNC); No budget/s106 meeting until after County Elections; OS has 2 apps = 1 for CF and 1 further NHB (lighting); Blackhorse Field development and s106 for health provisions (means just that); Met the CA officer re Passenham Church wall; Confirmed confines and new Local Plan (Plan 2A); Reported on as member of Police & Crime panel and that SNC police patrols are poor; To continue bimonthly surgeries and is attending AOM

**(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)**

'Purdah' No further report to Min:7

**9. Planning**

**(a) Applications Received**

**S/2017/0821/FUL** Removal of condition 5 to 2003 permission for detached annex to independent unit for residential accommodation Annex 103 Mounthill Ave

\* **Observation** contrary to original permission conditions. Opposite the school entrance, has limited amenity space and offroad parking (shown sharing with main dwelling). Does it comply with current planning policy?

**S/2017/0809/FUL** Camp/caravan site community building (retrospective Knotwood Farm Watling Street

\* Retrospective application noted; There is some history about unauthorised buildings. There are also rumours that caravans are exceeding time limit (max 28 days stay)

**S/2017/0713/TCA** The felling and removal of two poplar trees Old Rectory Passenham (Cllr Appl)

\* Noted

**S/2017/0595/FUL** Variation of condition (plans) to substitute boundary brick screen walls with brick piers and fence panels. Land west of Towcester Road

\* **INTERIM OBJECTION approved** contrary to permission. The treatment of the social element should not differ from the remainder of the development by diluting the quality of the scheme overall

**(b) Decision Notices**

**Approved** – Tandem development 5 Towcester Road (despite appeal conditions)

**Approved** – Swan Inn all conditions except change of facing materials for B&B element (to remain as dressed limestone)

**(c) Enforcement / Appeals**

- **Blackhorse Field development** – relocated Transformer prior to new Electricity sub-station. How long to remain in situ
- **CA Cottage London Road** – new door (plastic)?

**10. Press Notices**

None

**11. Correspondence (list at the meeting)**

**\* (a) N/CALC**

Annual Membership fees (N/CALC Subs = £641.97 / Internal Audit = £250.00) = £891.97

**RESOLVED** to approve

**\* (b) NCC / Police & Highways**

Safety Matters > circulated for info- nb & website agreed

**(c) South Northants Police Update March 2017**

Circulated for info

**\* (d) Wicksteed Leisure**

Tine for Play Area inspection > **RESOLVED** to approve

**(e) SNC Senior Technical Support**

Confirms OSPC request for Cosgrove end of Cosgrove Road to be renamed Old Cosgrove Road  
Approval noted (name plate requested and agreed)

**\* (f) British Gas**

Existing contract > Fixed Price Energy Plan from 1 May > 31 April 2020 renewed and approved

**(g) SNC Non-Domestic Rates**

Memorial Hall & Playing Field Non-Domestic Rate demand Rate

\* Exemption applied for (no longer automatic)

**(h) Arnold Thomson**

Council solicitors confirm S38 Agreement Cosgrove Road (Canalside) > for safe keeping

**(i) NCC**

Definitive maps and Rights of Way improvement plan > for file (Cllr Lawrence)

**12. Finance**

**(a) To note budgetary control to date (End of Year Running Balance attached to Agenda)**

**(b) To note Current State of Finance (as of 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017)**

Treasurer's a/c:	£1,683.05 (uncashed cheque of £10)
Business Inst a/c:	£47,986.48 (+late Vat repayment)
Earmarked Reserves:	£45,046.14
<b>Available Capital:</b>	<b>£4,613.39 (excluding ERs)</b>

Proposed by Cllr Pateman seconded Cllr Laurence and unanimously carried for approval

**(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below**

002847	Clerks Salary:	£764.00
002848	HMRC:	£191.00

002849	Petty Cash:	£63.30 (CPD + Planning presentation Min:5(f))
002850	Cleaner:	£60.00 (MH)
002851	NJ Blackwell:	£781.14 (Mowing)
002852	Aylesbury Mains:	£61.20 (PL Repairs)
002853	AH Contracts:	£189.60 (Environmental Contract Mar)
002854	E.ON:	£1,988.89 (PLs - unmetered supply))
002855	Mh-p:	£18.00 (Web fees)
002856	NWBS/OS a/c:	£218.00 (Clerks Pension)
002857	Northants/CALC:	£891.97 (Membership Subs Min:11(a))
002858	Wickstead:	£525.72 (Spring mobile repair CH Play area)

### 13. Street Lighting

- (a) NHB grant awaits 50% / 50% **RESOLVED** to approve go ahead (OSPC funds available)

### 14. Highways

- (a) Xroad issues subsidence/breaking up
- (b) Mounthill Ave old repairs opp 14/15 breaking up
- (c) Deanshanger Road
- (d) Towcester Road
- (e) Footpath 100 acre field > FPW deals

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

- (a) Litter pick date confirmed > newsletter 29<sup>th</sup> April 9 – 11am
- (b) Graffiti spots note on PLs etc
- (c) Volunteers re Planters > clerk to advise Cllr Carey

### 16. Date of Next Meetings

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 AOM commencing at 7.30pm & Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 Annual Parish Council Meeting commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council  
Outstanding Activities  
April 2017**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Parish Action</b>	<b>Action by Others</b>
Ongoing	<b>Parish Plan Quality Council Neighbourhood Plan</b>	> Published > Action deferred > Action deferred / <i>awaits confines &amp; CA Reviews?</i>	> <b><u>Submitted SNC</u></b> > <b>NFA at this time</b> > <b>under review (due to cost) and status &amp; relevance under NPPF</b>
Ongoing	<b>Council Surgeries</b>	District Cllr / OSPC	<b>Cllr Pritchard to continue Bi- monthly &gt; web/nb</b>
Ongoing	<b>Allotments</b>	Allocation agreed Blackhorse Field	<b>Allotments committee to be agreed</b>
Ongoing	<b>Highway Issues Pot holes HGV traffic</b>	<b>Highway Tracker</b> Continual review Monitored	<b>Faults and complaints noted Some patching repairs HGV traffic &lt;&gt; Letters to hauliers. MKC assistance?</b>
Ongoing	<b>Blocked drains</b>		<b>Cleared &gt; Monitoring</b>
Ongoing  Update	<b>Speed complaint SIDs  Passenham</b>	London Road current siting (counts justify police enforcement) to be resited after PL changes Passenham speed thro' 30mph 'One Way?' proposed	<b>Traffic survey results collated SID counts forwarded No Police Enforcement yet agreed! Despite requests Passenham Lane rat run volumes confirmed – Police have attended &amp; enforced? &gt; NFA!</b>
Reviewed Update	<b>Towcester Road Towcester Road Lay-by o/s village shop</b>	> verge repairs- ongoing <i>NCC Budget cuts had reduced funding for local projects?</i>	<b>Maintenance requested Bollards installed NCC / OSPC Lay-by promoted Funding sought <i>Awaits resolution</i></b>
Ongoing	<b>Dog Fouling</b>	<i>Continues on verges and Playing Field - better</i>	<b>Monitor after additional signs in place &gt; ongoing (Newsletters)</b>
Review	<b>Post Office</b>	Clerk had liaised support with Bridge Stores re 'return' of PO	<b>Positive response awaits outcome with PO (negative) - Still No progress despite shop expansion</b>
Ongoing Feb 14  Apr 14	<b>Planning Approved  Approved 2015 in phases</b>	1. Land off The Meadows 2. ACE Plant site and relocation – on hold. 3. Blackhorse Field	<b>1. Development Started 2. App resubmitted - Appealed Successful - ACE plant sold? 3. Development commenced (S106 heads agreed)</b>
Feb 17	<b>St Guthlac's</b>	Churchyard Inspection re trees Wall maintenance	<b>Tree work completed  Wall rebuild complete</b>