

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 14th February 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 & Mrs S Tait

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mr K Pritchard (SNC) & Mr A Walker (NCC), Helen Howard (NCC Community Liaison Officer), Andy Leighton (Community Engagement Manager) and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mr R Smith (away),

2. Casual Vacancy

1 vacancy approved for co-option

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

Cllr Laurence re Play area and POS Maintenance (as WP Chair)

Cllr Ritson personal interest on Passenham issues as a resident

Cllr Pateman personal non pecuniary interest on 50 Mounthill Ave (former relatives' home)

4. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Tuesday 10th January 2017

Minutes of the meeting held 10th January 2017 were signed as a correct record

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

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

Cllr Carey spoke on the item SNC Funding app made

(b) Chapmans Drive Play Area Improvements Minute 5(b)

Play Area improvements completed by Wicksteed > invoice on agreed amendments still awaits

*Repair to existing safety surface around central climbing frame agreed locally (see Min:13(c))

(c) NCC Lighting Towcester & London Road Minute 5(f)

Cllr Holloway spoke on the site visit attended by Cllrs Pateman, Holloway and the clerk

* A letter to Cllr Walker as a result (circulated to members)

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

Tree ordered - total costing awaits > to next Agenda re costing approval

(e) POS Maintenance Minute 5(f)

Neighbour complaint about POS Chapmans Drive – Water Close cut back. Advised by contractor to contact Parish Clerk > Contractor instructed to return and cut back as agreed (> Cllr Laurence)

(f) NCC Communications Manager Minute 10(c)

Enhancement gangs – 2017 > minor works / improvements Suggestions

* Siding out London Road; Sign cleaning and removal of clutter;

Added after Min;7.2 Towcester Road verge reinstatement

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

None

7. Northants Highways > re outstanding issues

Helen Howard & Andrew Leighton spoke on the outstanding issues

1. Passenham (resident proposals) Discussed at length with an exchange of views
* **RESOLVED** to support the Passenham One Way as before and to formally apply for funding for a feasibility study on those proposals *2 members of the public left at this point*

2. Towcester Road verge condition * discussed and advised to forward to Enhancement Gangs for top soil and seeding

3. Towcester Road traffic Egress conditions new estate (Blackhorse Drive) and central island danger and congestion *discussed no resolution at this time

4. London / Towcester Road traffic volumes especially HGV traffic made worse by the MK Western Area Expansion and construction traffic (advised that letters had been sent to Hauliers) * NCC had made no progress liaising with MKC

5. Replacement Street Lamps London Road / Towcester Road (Not LED as advised now inferior to rest of village (meeting with Street Lighting team?)) * System is 'as is' > Cllr Walker
'Issues Tracker' and Photos sent for heads up and consideration later with Agenda
* discussed request that issues to be accompanied by photos if possible

8. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Pritchard (SNC)

Outlined parish boundary changes (not OS) and confines; Blackhorse development s106s (MH Roof improvements, OS Benefit for SS medical centre benefit for (and the rumours that SS centre will Move?) sums held at SNC; RAB sign re MK Western Area expansion; Issues affecting OS with Towcester development and public hearing at Towcester TH 23rd Feb (Min:11(b)); Confirmed his surgery dates for n/b and website.

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Verbal response to letter (Min:5(c)); Spoke on NCC financial restraints affecting Health and Safety / Social Care etc. Highway congestion discussed at length and, suggested by Cllr Laurence and would facilitate a meeting of surrounding PCVs /HE regarding A5 / OS RAB problems;

9. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2017/0075 & 0077/NMA re changes to layout etc. - Blackhorse Field (development) > noted

S/2017/0137/TCA Reduce height of 4 silver birches / fell 1 eucalyptus 6 Wharf Close > noted

S/2017/0167/FUL Two storey side/rear extension 50 Mounthill Ave > Reduced footprint noted

S/2017/0184//COND Architectural detailing - Blackhorse Field (development) > noted

S/2017/0236/PA Change of use from grain store to dwelling (Class Q > C3) Shrobb Lodge Farm

* There is no footpath at the A5 entrance only grass verge or dangerous crossing to opposite footpath across busy traffic (national speed limit)

S/2017/0303/RES Approval of Reserved Matters (after appeal S/2014/0493/OUT) for one dwelling and detached garage/workshop with office over The rear of 5 Towcester Road

* Detached garage and workshop were not included in Plan 2013.102.02 which formed part of the appeal conditions. These are therefore not reserved matters and should be refused

(b) Decision Notices

- Approved > The Swan (most conditions now approved for PH and letting rooms etc)

- Refusal NMA to boundary treatment (0077/NMA above) affecting social housing element

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Passenham Gravel NCC Minerals & Waste Plan (Ham Meadow) removed from plan

* Decision circulated. New consultation on plan to take note of the exclusion required by 22 Feb (prompt e-mail from FoP seeking OSPC support for new Plan) **RESOLVED** to support amended Local Plan

10. Press Notices

None

11. Correspondence (list at the meeting)

*** (a) Deanshanger PCC**

Letter addressed to the Chairman received after last meeting read along with agreed response
Further letter to Chairman expressing concern that he was not cc copied into the reply and that the PCC still need to have the view of the full council on this matter, as recorded at a full Council meeting.

* After a full and frank discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the clerk respond as proper officer, countersigned by the Chairman and send all relevant copies of PC documents, with again an invitation to meet with the comment; that if this does not satisfy them on 'this matter'. Then they need to explain what this matter is.

*** (b) Towcester TC**

Petition re Towcester relief road completion for Towcester Southern Urban extension > not until occupation of 1,017th dwelling > MP to hold public meeting end of February Date TBA

*** (c) Highways England**

Further advise about night time A5 road closures Feb + 5/6 months > circulated + nb and website

*** (d) SNC/Cherwell DC**

Memorial Hall booking for County Council elections Thursday 4th May > noted

*** (e) Cosgrove Parish Council**

SLCC/ALCC Membership renewal for Continued Professional Development

* **RESOLVED** to approve 50% of £167.00 = £83.50

*** (f) NJ Blackwell**

Quotes for village maintenance to be approved (+ 1 - 1.25%) > **RESOLVED** to approve

*** (g) Northamptonshire Highways**

Urban Highway Grass Mowing 2017 > **RESOLVED** to approve

(h) Anglia Water Agent

Previous location to install flow meter Falcon Drive / POS unsuitable; Oxfield Park now proposed

* Clerk seeks financial planning gain prior to permission > deferred

12. To consider Media Face book Policy (Policy Draft to follow)

Cllr Laurence spoke on the item and the circulated draft

* After discussion **RESOLVED** to approve with amendment

13. Finance

(a) To note budgetary control to date (Running Balance attached to Agenda)

(b) To note Current State of Finance

Treasurer's a/c:	£907.82
Business Inst a/c:	£45,769.32 (Incl: Vat repayment)
Earmarked Reserves:	£36,740.24
Available Capital:	£9,936.90 (excluding ERs)

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

002822	Clerks Salary:	£756.00
002823	HMRC:	£189.00
002824	Petty Cash:	£49.81
002825	Cleaner:	£100.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
002826	NJ Blackwell:	£399.30 (POS maintenance)
002827	ACS:	£10.00 (Memorial Hall windows)
002828	Aylesbury Mains:	£280.80 (PL Repairs)
002829	AH Contracts:	£156.48 (Environmental Contract Jan)
002830	E.ON:	£192.56 (MH Energy)
002831	Canon UK:	£83.75 (Equipment Hire)
002832	Cosgrove PC:	£83.50 (50% Annual SLCC Fees)(Min:11(e))
002833	K & M Groundworks	£120.00 (Safety Surface repair Chapmans Play Area)*

* Note: Groundworks agreed to carry out repairs via OSPC contract on site (not Wicksteed)

14. Street Lighting reports and Upgrade process

Nothing further on upgrade until release of NHB is approved

(a) PL1 Oxfield Park Drive: PL9 Deanshanger Road & PL1 Thee Meadows all ooo & PL21 Dickens Drive is db

15. Highways

(a) Large pot hole Towcester Rod off RAB previous repaired failing 'not yet meets NCC intervention levels' to be monitored

(b) London Road footway condition

(c) Signage clutter and condition

(d) Fp flooding RS 12 (10?) > leak Q to Agent

16. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Missing OSPC signs London / Towcester Road after contractors replaced PL's

(b) No Dogs signs for improved play area Chapmans Drive

(c) Northamptonshire Community Direct issues > Cllr Holloway to advise clerk of details

(d) Blackhorse Drive danger issues (balancing pond and POS next to Towcester Road

17. Date of Next Meetings

Tuesday 14th March 2017 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 10.12pm

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

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