

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL Held on Tuesday 14th August 2018 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

Before the meeting: Paul Valentine & David Howard (Contractors liaison & HE) gave an update on OS RAB works, the delays and projected time scales to complete (during the Towcester High Street extensive works) and the next RAB closures. Q & A and were thanked and left the meeting

Present:

Cllrs Mr A Pateman (in the chair), Mr C Allin, Mr C Carey, Mrs N Laurence, Mrs L Ritson, Mrs N Ryder & Mr R Smith

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mr K Pritchard (SNC), Mr A Walker (NCC) & 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr A Holloway & Ms K Morris (away), Mrs L Murgatroyd & Mrs S Tate (family commitments);

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Tuesday 10th July 2018

Minute of the Meeting held 10th July 2018 was signed as true record

4. Matters arising from the minutes not included on the agenda – for report only

(a) Allotments update

* SNC Planning Enforcement? - see planning

(b) Old Canal issues

Unresolved still waiting for SNC Arboreal and Environmental Officers reports (Bats raised)

(c) Environmental Contract

AH Contracts (Tony Harris) to cease due to ill health > DAH Contracts (Dudley Harris family member) & Axiom b2 (watering) = current contract rates continue

* New Public liability Insurances > for file

(d) Abbeymill Homes

River View & Paddock View PLs numbered as required prior to highway adoption > file

5. Public Speaking Time (this is limited to 15 minutes)

Resident re Abandoned vehicles Mounthill Ave > current position advised and left the meeting

6. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Pritchard (SNC)

Quiet month at SNC (working towards Unitary – results of consultation /recommendations soon) 24 Aug deadline; Discussions re Blackhorse - Allotments and fp to school outlined; SNC loan to NCC?

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Spoke on NCC Finances; 2018/19 Budget (& Priorities) 3 x Full council meetings to approve, prior to Commissioners approval; Assets (NCC) – Angel Square sold £54M?; Result of Judicial Review

on Libraries against closures (still being reviewed) as £60/70M from 2018/19 Budget to be found after second S144 issued

Q: There appears to have been a total lack of transparency; A: Matters are not good

Cllr Walker was thanked for the update, who then gave apologies and left the meeting

7. Activities and Events for next Newsletter

Newsletter proposals and event activities discussed at length

* Clerk to write letter to Santander for their assistance in OSIB ground works

8. Memorial Hall Centenary 2019

Agreed stone planter to replace damaged wood planter recently removed > Cllr Tate deals

* OSPC to consider special project for the MHs centenary (August BH 2019)

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

*** (a) Annual RBL wreath**

No longer SO annual applications now required

* As 2018 is centenary of the end of WW1 > Civic wreath at £50 to be agreed

(b) Highways England / NCC Highways

Road closures update & A422 (Deanshanger RAB) > Circulated & nb

(c) Northamptonshire Highways

Categorisation of Potholes > circulated for information and file

*** (d) NCALC Update**

Circulated by E-mail > includes AGM @ Moulton Community Centre 1000 – 1300 Sat 6 October

* Attending > Chairman & Clerk agreed

*** (e) HAGS**

Outdoor gym > ? to investigate

(f) BPA

Annual Review of Pipeline across OSPC land > completed and sent

10. Monthly roundup and issues from each Councillor

Monthly roundup from each Councillor

(a) **Cllr Allin** > OSIB update

(b) **Cllr Carey** > OSIB and change to winter planting

(c) **Cllr Holloway** > x (Defibrillators update?)

(d) **Cllr Laurence** > Face book and website (update)

(e) **Cllr Murgatroyd** > x (Application for Towcester Road submitted)

(f) **Cllr Morris** > x

(g) **Cllr Ritson** > Passenham issues incl: travellers / Passenham OSIB > approval

Speed device > for siting asap (Chairman /Clerk to advise)

(h) **Cllr Ryder** > Rubbish and tipping CH entrance

(i) **Cllr Smith** > RAB / The Swan Inn Hog Roast 26/8 from 4pm; OSCH Metal Bins

and vermin issues discussed.

(j) **Cllr Tate** > x

(k) **Chairman's Report** > current position

11. Work programme and planned discussions / presentations (WP yet to meet)

NHB schemes (£21,881) + CiL > Pockets of activity / events for newsletter including Litter picks

12. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2018/1763/CON Condition 8 > Boundary Treatments / amendment to allow road layout etc. to meet highways requirements; land east of Deanshanger Road > noted

S/2018/1688/106D Application for deed of variance to vary timing of allotment and POS obligations; land of Towcester Road (Blackhorse) > discussed

* Whilst delay is disappointing, it will now coincide with Play Area installation (after completion of 110 dwellings not 50) and variance is supported, provided assurance to complete is firm and a consultation meeting / site visit asap is agreed

(b) Decision Notices

Approved - Manor Farm House, Passenham retrospective Barn to Dwelling

Approved – 14 Hall Close LDP

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Outstanding Appeal re shop container?

13. Press Notices

None

14. Finance

(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date (attached to the Agenda)

* **RESOLVED** to approve budgetary control by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (provisional end of year)

Treasurer's a/c:	£1,088.25
Business Inst a/c:	£56,888.67
Earmarked Reserves:	£54,332.17
Available Capital:	£8,644.75 (excluding ERs)

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

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

003064	Clerks Salary:	£780.00
003065	HMRC:	£195.00
003066	Petty Cash:	£55.47
003067	Cleaner:	£60.00 (MH cleaning)
003068	Litter Picker (CH)	£40.00 (OSCH/Playing Field)
003069	AH Contracts:	£286.56 (Environmental Contract + watering partJuly)
003070	Axiom b2:	£144.00 (Environmental new watering contract)
003071	NJ Blackwell:	£1,184.04 (Mowing July)
003072	E.ON:	£132.48 (MH Energy)
003073	Canon UK:	£83.75 (Equip Hire)
003074	Cllr Allin:	£29.99 (MH Weed Killer)
003075	RBL:	£50.00 (Wreath order Min:9(a))

15. Street Lighting

No reports

16. Highways

(a) Cycle path > Passenham (surface heave – weed growth) – Street Doctor (953004)

17. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Under A5 viaduct River Ouse > offensive graffiti remains

(b) Memorial Hall Centenary (19 Jan 1919)

(c) Oxfield Park > coppice maintenance required

18. Date of Next Meeting 11^h September 2018 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.26pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
August 2018**

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Projects	PL Upgrade Planters Canal fencing	Completed Sept 2017 Siting completed ongoing OSIB (OS in Bloom) Deanshanger Road	NHB grant + ER completed SNC/OSPC grant <i>NCC licence approved</i> Metal part Under review
Ongoing	Council Surgeries	District Cllr / OSPC	Cllr Pritchard continues Bi-monthly for 2018 > web/nb
Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation agreed March/April > delay	Allotments committee to be agreed asap Developer enforcement yet to start
Expand Tracker	Highway Issues Pot holes HGV traffic	> Highway Tracker Continual review Monitored	Faults and complaints noted Some patching repairs only HGV traffic <> Letters to hauliers. MKC assist – resent
Ongoing	Blocked drains	When required	Monitoring
Hold	Speed complaint SIDs Passenham	Permanent power SIDs ? Passenham speed thro' 30 'One Way?' proposed	Being investigated Previous Police enforcement NFA Supported by OSPC awaits
Highways Tracker	Towcester Road Bus Stop obst'n RAB Parking Regs	> verge repairs OSPC to consider remedy (Report to NCC highways) Markings requested HE funded scheme Cedar Close & others Manorfields/Mounthill & Deanshanger Road end	Maintenance carried out but already damaged by residents and delivery vehicles resolution sought NCC Small works agreed Work commenced Feb/March Completed late summer 2018 Only Cedar Close approved
Ongoing	Dog Fouling Litter	<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 * Now Londris (supports)	Positive response awaits outcome with PO (negative) - Still No progress despite shop expansion Request for PO counter
Ongoing	St Guthlac's	Churchyard maintenance	Tree work completed - front Wall rebuild completed Maintenance is reviewed
Ongoing	Balancing Pond Blackhorse Dr Hall Close	Safety issues Old Canal issues	No response from Persimmons > SNC planners Awaits SNC advice