

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday 9th January 2018 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr A Pateman (in the chair), Mr C Allin (from Min:2), Mr C Carey, Mr A Holloway, Mrs N Laurence, Ms K Morris, Mrs L Murgatroyd, Mrs L Ritson Mr R Smith & Mrs S Tait

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mr K Pritchard (SNC) and 3 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs N Ryder (family bereavement) Condolences sent

2. Casual Vacancy by Co-Option

Mr Chris Allin 23 The Meadows Co-opted and welcomed onto the council

* Duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance and was issued with Standing Order, Code of Conduct and Financial Declaration (completed)

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

None

4. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Tuesday 12th December 2017

Minute of the Meeting held 12th December 2017 was signed as true record

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

A member of SSTC spoke on his interest of joint liaison with adjoining councils

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

(a) Cycling initiative Minute 6(a)

Offer circulated > NCC Road Safety > response awaits

(b) Buckingham Canal Society presentation for 23 Jan Minute 6(b)

* BCS had indicated outline proposals only (Clerk spoke on presentation to SNC/Cosgrove 5th Jan and produced 'New Channel' proposals booklet – project reliant on EU money > further discussed and awaits presentation

(c) Confirm Cllrs Murgatroyd & Allin > CPD Sat 24 Feb

(d) OSCH Issues Minute 7(h)

Previous support for lighting upgrade further discussed. OSCH Balance sheet produced 50/50 to be put to CH (Cllr Holloway to report costing and OSCH savings)

* Cllr Holloway / Clerk to advise CH re Fireworks donation and VAT reclaim

7. Correspondence received since the last meeting (other corres

* (a) SNC Finance

Parish Precept 2018/2019 request + NHB update > Budget proposals

* (b) N/CALC

Precept update, subscription & Internal audit fees > Budget proposals

(c) Donation

Resident donation towards boundary issue rear of Cosgrove Road > letter of thanks sent

8. Monthly roundup from each Councillor

(a) Cllr Carey - Village Projects – update

OS in Bloom Watering & Lecterns to advise next meeting; Falcon Drive area also discussed re spring planting

(b) Cllr Holloway – Defibrillator

Defibrillator review (x 2?) to circulate preference (+ possible grants):

* OSCH car park lighting further discussed

(c) Cllr Ritson – Passenham

Concern expressed about Parks Trust Appeal and reference to re located farm;

* Discussed > Appeal should deal only with the refusal to convert Farm Buildings

(d) Cllr Murgatroyd – Towcester Road

In contact with NCC (HH) > issues outlined especially fp mud; NCC to consider complaint re Safe Routes to School ; To review bollards > NCC

(e) Cllr Smith – OS RAB

Spoke on proposed improvements and his contact with HE Project manager and intended PC liaison initiative (* taking heed of OSPC complaint about lack of consultation which will improve); Road Safety Audit to be carried out after completion?

(f) Cllr Laurence - Footpath Warden and Face book

Update on RS15 hedge cut back (NCC); FB = Highways Notice; Please be aware (Towcester Road parking); previous comments discussed;

(g) Chairman’s Report

Looking at 3 solar SIDs / outlined (London Road, Towcester Rod & Passenham);

9. Work programme and planned discussions / presentations

To be agreed at Budget consideration for project allocation

10. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Pritchard (SNC)

Updated members on 25 Deanshanger Road (Cond 7 to provide off street parking during construction); 33 Deanshanger Road (11 bed ‘Guest House? bail house’); Blackhorse (43 market / 38 affordable issues- 42 occupied) sold; Allotments/Leap after 85th occupied; Balancing pond issues update and would investigate school access (rumours) OSPC Strong objection re school decision? : Hall Close old canal update (awaits SNC Arboriculture officers report); SS Health Centre staying
* Cllr Holloway proposed a vote of thanks for his comprehensive report, unanimously endorsed

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

An E-mail this day *Just in case residents might think I am not being active on the above two issues. I am vigorously pursuing both through the Scrutiny and other Processes at NCC, never fear.* Discussed > Min;13(b)

11. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2017/2941 &-2942/COND Landscape & Turning head details Saracen House 21 London Road
(S/2017/3041-3046/COND to note)

* Comments as circulated

INTERIM

S/2017/3059/FUL Two detached dwellings with detached garages and driveway parking.

Land east of 40 Deanshanger Road

* **OBJECTION** this site is not oblong in shape as indicated on the plan (to include the wide highway grass verge to the footpath boundary), but is more constrained and triangular in shape as indicated by NCC Highway marker posts from the old canal raft to the entrance to No 40 and the short wicket fence of 21 Willow Grove. It also includes a length of the disused Buckingham Canal alongside the vehicular entrance to Sallow Copse No 40 preserved by current Plan policy. The proposals for two dwellings, would in any event be incongruous and an overdevelopment of a small tract of land seriously affecting the street scene. Because of the proposed access constraints so close to Manorfields Road and the road calming Give Way markings, concern is also expressed that road safety would be compromised since the re-contouring of Deanshanger Road / Manorfields Road at this point as part of the safe Routes to School. There are already early morning tail backs at this point. This current proposal should therefore be refused for the reasons outlined

(b) Decision Notices

Approved NCC application for non-material amendment Passenham Quarry

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

12. Press Notices

None

13. Finance

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

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

Treasurer's a/c:	£966.90
Business Inst a/c:	£57,372.67
Earmarked Reserves:	£49,030.45
Available Capital:	£9,309.12 (excluding ERs)

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

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

002966	Clerks Salary:	£764.00
002967	HMRC:	£191.00
002968	Petty Cash:	£18.50 (incl: sundries / ISP)
002969	Cleaner:	£60.00 (MH cleaning)
002970	Litter Picker (CH)	£40.00 (OSCH/Playing field)
002971	NJ Blackwell:	£1,625.40 (Mowing/maintenance)
002972	AH Contracts:	£178.56 (Environmental Contract Dec)
002973	British Gas:	£46.44 (MH heating)
002974	E.ON:	£975.45 (Latest PL energy after Adjustment) *

Noted: Reviewed Unmetered Supply rates = £273.73CR (after PL energy cost adjustment since July/September and upgraded. PLs savings estimate over £2,000.00 > to be reviewed after next quarter

14. Street Lighting

(a) Numbering > deferred

13 Highways

- (a) Trinity Close parking - residents complaint > SH landlord

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) Liaison with SSTC to be followed up
- (b) NCC cuts - the clerk to contact Cllr Walker re action (buses) given past comments
- (c) Cost of bollards (including Canalside and Deanshanger Road awaits NCC response
- (d) OSPC to invite Head teacher to next meeting seeking to resurrect regular meeting attendance

15. Date of Next Meetings

Tuesday 13th February 2018 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.38pm

EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED: That, in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting by the reason of its confidential nature.

PRECEPT

Options discussed as outlined by the clerk. Given growing village and additional financial commitments Option 3 agreed

RESOLVED: That the precept be issued for the sum of £50,000.00

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

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Projects	PL Upgrade	Completed Sept 2017	NHB grant + ER
	Planters	Siting completed	SNC/OSPC grant NCC licence received
Ongoing	Council Surgeries	District Cllr / OSPC	Cllr Pritchard to continue Bi-monthly for 2018 > web/nb
Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation agreed Blackhorse Field	Allotments committee to be agreed soon
Expand	Highway Issues	> Highway Tracker	Faults and complaints noted
Tracker	Pot holes HGV traffic	Continual review Monitored	Some patching repairs only HGV traffic <> Letters to hauliers. MKC assist - resent
Ongoing	Blocked drains	When required	Monitoring
Hold	Speed complaint SIDs	Permanent power SIDs ? Passenham speed thro' 30	Being investigated Previous Police enforcement NFA
	Passenham	'One Way?' proposed	Supported by OSPC awaits
Highways Tracker	Towcester Road	> verge repairs OSPC to consider remedy (Report to NCC highways)	Maintenance carried out but already damaged by residents and delivery vehicles <i>resolution sought</i>
	Bus Stop obst'n	Markings requested	NCC Small works agreed
	RAB	HE funded scheme	HE presented proposals
	Parking Regs	Cedar Close & others Manorfields/Mounthill & Deanshanger Road end	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	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 complete Maintenance is ongoing
Ongoing	Balancing Pond Blackhorse Dr	Safety issues	No response from Persimmons > SNC planners
	Hall Close	Old Canal issues	Awaits SNC advice