

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held on 14th January 2014 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr R Whittaker (in the chair), Mr A Holloway, Mrs N Laurence, Mr D MacDonald, Ms K Morris & Mr A Pateman
Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mrs M Clarke (SNC), Mr A Walker (NCC) and 5 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr B Clayton & Mr D Meadowcroft (Work commitments away), Mr I Baxter (unable)

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 10th December 2013

Minutes of the meeting 10th December 2013 were approved and signed as a correct record
* Subject to the word 'precluded' replacing 'outlined' in Min:4(a)

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

(a) Community Grants Minute 4(c)

Previously circulated for Action > Agenda item

(b) SN Local Plan – Issues Paper Consultation Minute 4(d)

Response for approval (attached to Agenda) supporting proposals and Village confines
* Clerk / Cllr Pateman deal and draft approved

(c) Draft Parish Plan Minute 4(f)

Circulated for comments > Cllr Pateman to proceed (Cllr Baxter commend his industry)

5. To Approve Proposal that 'Passenham Conservation Area' should include Ham Meadow

* Unanimous agreement that the area bordered by the river rear of Passenham known as Ham Meadow should be included in the CA review

6. To Agree Solution for Towcester Road o/s Bridge Stores (With cost implications?)

Proposal agreed with Head of County Highways outlined (E-mail previously circulated)

HH visited Towcester Road 13th - Costing and attendance February meeting?

* The shop however prefer the layby idea and produced an MGWSP Pan date Apr 13 > NCC
Discussed at length

7 Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Response to letter re Blackhorse Field approval > SNC state no conflict of interest

* To request copy of that decision

8. Public Speaking Time (Meeting closed for this item) (taken before Min:5)

Passenham CA issue raised and plan produced

9. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

Dates for meeting with Planners to be agreed; Development pressures continue; SNC/Cherwell nominated for 2 top awards; Local Plan issues outlined (Same LAs required to review Plans); Meeting with Highway Agency on safety issues mainly on A43 but will raise OS concerns top of Towcester Road; Moat Lane ground breaking ceremony (SNC looking at archaeological finds); Settlements Plan review (OS are submitting); No CTRS 2014/15 - HM grant further reduced

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

PLs London Road resolved as no proposal to switch back – referring to original consultation (although some amendment / not here) – Discussed at length (Cllr Clarke also spoke on the item and complaint); NCC under pressure to save further finance; Had met with the clerk and agreed £750 Environment Grant

With no further Qs Cllr Walker gave his apologies and left the meeting

10 Planning

(a) Applications Received

Wind Turbine applications were withdrawn and removed from Planning Register > await revision?
* Note: Screening opinion > circulated for info (details required for any future response (objection))

INTERIM

S/2014/0042/FUL New 3 bedroomed detached dwelling with off road parking and reposition existing garage and driveway adjacent 6 Wheelwrights Way

Previous **OBJECTION** Contrary to the original developments design statement. It also fails to meet NPPF by poor and cramped design. Is incongruous and would seriously compromise the street scene.

(b) Decision Notices

Approved – Bridge Stores change of living area and extension to shop

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

(d) Issue Paper on Village Confines (Draft response attached)

* Draft circulated was agreed and approved as OSPCs formal response

11. Press Notices

None

12. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a) British Gas**

Contract renewal for 3 years from 1 May 2014 (details advised) and approved

*** (b) West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit (WN/JPU)**

Part 1 Strategy Plan proposed modifications circulated for info > any response by 25 Feb 2014

(c) ICO

Freedom of Information Act / Environmental Information Regulations and publication guidelines
Re Agendas and Minutes under model scheme > noted for file and approval at Annual Meeting

(d) E.ON

OFGEM changed the definition of micro-businesses > new contract guidelines awaits

*** (e) Northamptonshire Highways (MGWSP)**

Satisfaction survey > by end of January - (clerk to deal)

*** (f) Wicksteed Playscapes**

Annual Safety Inspection due Spring @ £45 per play ground > agreed

(g) Nationwide BS

Notification of Investment Protection > noted for file

(h) NCC / MGWSP Highways

Rights of Way Northamptonshire Newsletter > Cllr Laurence

(i) GOV.UK

A fair deal for councils and fair bills for taxpayers > circulated for info

(j) SNC Head of Finance

Precept request > Min:13(d)

13. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance)(Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c:	£526.61
Business Call a/c:	£59,982.87
Available Capital =	£21,667.70 (excluding ERs)

Proposed by Cllr Whittaker seconded Cllr MacDonald and unanimously carried for approval

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

002331	Clerks Salary:	£724.00
002332	HMRC:	£217.43 (PAYE /NIC)
002333	Petty Cash:	£20.55
002334	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
002335	ACS:	£10.00 (MH Windows Jan)
002336	Aylesbury Mains:	£226.44 (PL repairs)
002337	Mh-p:	£56.35 (Web & Domain fees)
002338	AH Contracts:	£156.48 (Environmental Contract Nov)
002339	British Gas:	£328.56 (MH Heating)
002340	E.ON:	£1,191.12 (PL Energy)
002341	Gary Fisher:	£70.00 (Replacement PIR)
002342	Aylesbury Mains:	£231.96 (PL repairs)
002343	Canon UK:	£106.82 (Equip Hire)

(d) To Approve Precept (Budget recommendations attached)

RESOLVED: That the precept be issued for the sum of £39,100 (Band D = £49.10 > £50.45 pa)

14. Street Lighting

(a) PL10 Willow Grove / PL24 Oxfield ooo

15. Highways

- (a) Deanshanger Road breaking up?
- (b) Towcester Road potholes – already reported (Note: filled 15th Jan)
- (c) London Road o/s Arnold Cottages > await
- (d) RAB works noted – ATS responsibility discussed

16. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) Annual Newsletter cost (report form Cllr Morris)
- (b) PL London Road issue
- (c) Cllr Holloway raised the condition of the Towcester Road Bus Shelter (and previous contract with the Veterinary Centre)

17. Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 11th February 2014 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.48pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
January 2014**

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Update	Parish Plan Quality Council Neighbourhood Plan	> Actioned - Questionnaire > Action deferred > Action deferred	> Near ready to print > deferred > under review (due to cost) and status / relevance under NPPF
Ongoing	Council Surgeries	District Cllr / OSPC	Cllr Clarke (SNC) monthly Surgeries' 1100 - 1200 dates nb / Website OSPC presence > clerk
Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation in new development Blackhorse field – Date ?	Allotments committee to be agreed
Ongoing	Highway Issues	Village enhancement to include Passenham. Gateway signs on order? London Road HGV volume Subject recent survey	Resiting 30mph completed after improvements Stony Stratford OS congestion remains SID counts show improvements to 30mph compliance
Update Ongoing	Drainage problems	Cosgrove Road / London Road - river bridge all main issues – Ongoing. Willow Grove / Mounthill Ave + Deanshanger Road gullies	Some remedial maintenance carried out –meeting with MGWSP/NCC re outstanding flooding issues - Broken blocked gullies noted (after latest survey) > most now repaired
Ongoing	Speed complaint SIDs	London Road current siting (counts justify action) Police advised request local speed enforcement	Enforcement action chased but still not agreed. Recent NCC Highways Safety Officer (Action) Traffic survey results collated
Reviewed Update	Towcester Road Verges	> deferred <i>NCC Budget cuts had reduced funding for local projects?</i>	Outstanding > site meetings no resolution includes o/s shop (urgent resurfacing completed) (lay-by feasibility?) no NCC budget - OSPC promote project awaits costing / match funding
Ongoing	Dog Fouling	Cllr Meadowcroft leads	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). MP/Cllr Clarke assists - Still No progress
Ongoing Oct 13	Planning Approved	1. Land off The Meadows 2. ACE Plant site and relocation. Outline approval for housing subject to s106 agreement (now approved) 3. Blackhorse Field	1. Appeal site awaits start 2. Awaits relocation plans before development for housing 3. Permission granted (S106 heads agreed)

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Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Mr D Meadowcroft (by way of resignation due to change of job and work commitments away)
Cllrs Mr I Baxter & Ms K Morris (unwell), Mr B Clayton (work commitments), Mrs M Clarke (SNC)(Cabinet) & Mr A Walker (NCC)(No reports)

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

None

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(d) OSPC / SNC Planners Meeting Minute 9(a)

24th Feb @ 5pm (Clerk / Cllrs Whitaker, Pateman & MacDonald)

(e) Annual Newsletter cost Minute 16(a)

(no revised report form Cllr Morris) > NFA at this time

(f) PL London Road issue Minute 16(b)

Any further action agreed > pursue Cllr Clarke's approach / clerk to chase NCC re costing

(g) Towcester Road Bus Shelter Minute 16(d)

Veterinary Centre confirms repainting in Spring

5. Passenham Conservation Area' (to include Ham Meadow)

Clerks report circulated and followed up by discussion with CA. Conservation Officer stated not strictly within CA criteria for consideration (although will review) > Natural England (although appears out of scope of their criteria)

* Action?

Note: There will be no CA in OS says CA Officer

6. To receive NCC Report on Solution for Towcester Road o/s Bridge Stores

No costing to date > HH (MGWSP) to attend March meeting

7 Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Response to letter re Blackhorse Field approval > SNC state no conflict of interest

* Exchange of E-mails requesting a copy of the discussion on how that decision was reached

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

Issues noted

9. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

No reports

10 Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/0063/FUL Single storey side extension 25 Willow Grove

* No objections precedent already set, although an additional parking space would require a wider dropped kerb

S/2014/0042/FUL New 3 bedroomed detached dwelling with off road parking and reposition existing garage and driveway adjacent 6 Wheelwrights Way

* **OBJECTION** Contrary to the original developments design statement. It also fails to meet NPPF by poor and cramped design. Is incongruous and would seriously compromise the street scene.

INTERIM

S/2014/0140/MAR Reserved matters pursuant to S/2010/0923/MAO Commercial development

(Use classes B1 / B2) with new vehicular access (outline) Former Furtho Pits, Cosgrove Rd

* Before going into detail, the following observations are relevant; The location of the site is in Old Stratford Parish not Cosgrove. The A508 at this point should be 40mph; There should be no Right Turn out of the site and in order to facilitate the longest vehicles leaving the site the Left Turn exit splay should be increased to allow a feeder lane before joining the main carriageway, as the current design is tight. The entry and agrees from the proposed site remains a major safety concern.

* Details: The plan indicates a prep and paint booth. Are we correct to assume that only water based paints and not silicon based is to be used requiring Environmental Protection Act monitoring (by SNC?); also indicted near the northern boundary, is a wash area without oil / petrol interceptor, although a tank is shown in the centre of the service yard? In the original outline, there was said to be an acceptable EA scheme of reed beds, with an outflow into the Dogsmouth Brook. We expressed deep concern at that time so has our original concern been accepted and altered these plans, we would therefore wish to see more details on any interceptor scheme. The Drainage Scheme 1063-03A was not received

No security PIR lights are shown, other than a number of external yard lights. There is concern that even these will be visually intrusive given the site position in the landscape causing serious light pollution both to Cosgrove and the surrounding road network.

To Note: one of the arguments in support of the original outline approval, was a green travel plan and access to the site by cyclist and pedestrians using metalled footpaths RS14 & 15 from the Old Stratford side of the A5 Trunk Road onto Old Cosgrove Road. Although gates are shown we assume for the purposes of security that they will not be left unlocked.

Although the layout, appearance and scale appear acceptable given modern industrial design, The Design and Access statement provided, fails to deal properly with a) Access (outlined above)

(b) Decision Notices

Approved – Gardeners bungalow, Passenham replacement

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

11. Press Notices

None

12. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a) West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit (WN/JPU)**

Part 1 Strategy Plan proposed modifications > circulated / response by 25 Feb 2014 which must only relate to matters of legal compliance and soundness given the four elements > NFA agreed

*** (b) NJ Blackwell (Grass Maintenance 2014)**

Quote shows 2.5% rise

* **RESOLVED** to approve

(c) Resident Oxfield Park Drive

Complaint of high hedge

* Work already instructed but not to height suggested > noted

* **(d)** Tree outside MH - storm damage (into forecourt and road)

* Emergency work to be agreed (Removal or Pollard report discussed)

RESOLVED Dependant on space for replacement tree > remove or to next Agenda.

13. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance)(Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c: £501.90
Business Call a/c: £58,309.28 (Incl £750 CCllr Grant)
Available Capital = £19,662.32 (excluding ERs)

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

002344	Clerks Salary:	£724.00
002345	HMRC:	£217.43 (PAYE /NIC)
002346	Petty Cash:	£33.41 (Incl: MH supplies)
002347	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
002348	E.ON:	£143.12 (MH Energy)
002349	Aylesbury Mains:	£94.08 (PL repairs)
002350	AH Contracts:	£189.60 (Environmental Contract Jan)

14. Street Lighting

(a) PL24 Oxfield ooo

15. Highways

(a) Towcester Road potholes from XRoads to RAB (689532) now serious

(b) Deanshanger Road breaking up near Trinity Close resubmitted (689608)

- (c) Large Pot hole London Road o/s Arnold Cottages > await
- (d) RAB works noted BUT? Resolution chased

16. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) Community Grants > Agenda
- (b) Arboreal report MH Tree > Agenda
- (c) Towcester Road / Bridge Store footway issue

17. Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 11th March 2014 commencing at 7.30pm

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Reviewed Update	Towcester Road Verges	> deferred <i>NCC Budget cuts had reduced funding for local projects?</i>	Outstanding > site meetings no resolution includes o/s shop (urgent resurfacing completed) (lay-by feasibility?) no NCC budget - OSPC promote project awaits costing / match funding?
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Ongoing Feb 14	Planning	1. Land off The Meadows 2. ACE Plant site and relocation. Outline approval for housing subject to s106 agreement (now approved)	1. Appeal site awaits start 2. Plans submitted for Former Furtho Pit. Cosgrove Road development for housing awaits relocation
Oct 13	Approved	3. Blackhorse Field	3. Permission granted (S106 heads agreed)

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Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mrs M Clarke (SNC) & Mr A Walker (NCC); Mrs H Howard (MGWSP) and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

None

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 11th February 2014

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

(a) SN Local Plan – Issues Paper Consultation Minute 4(b) & 4(d) > Min:6

After Response meeting held with SNC Planners re OS (Confines; CA & development pressures) attended by Cllrs Whittaker, MacDonald & Pateman and the clerk > reports circulated and noted

(b) Tree outside MH - storm damage (into forecourt and road) Minute 11(d)

Removal (over Easter ½ term) position of replacement tree to be agreed after felling

(c) Dirt Track – Oxfield Park Outstanding

Enquiries about spoil heaps – little evidence of use > deferred (no response yet from group leader)

(d) PL London Road issue Minute 4(f)

No response yet from NCC re cost saving or local cost of ‘switch on’ > chased - Mail circulated

5. To receive NCC Report on Solution for Towcester Road o/s Bridge Stores

HH (MGWSP) produced 2 schemes (circulated) > discussed

* **RESOLVED** to support bollard scheme and 50% of costing > to be confirmed

6 Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Response to letter re Blackhorse Field approval > SNC state no conflict of interest

* Exchange of E-mails requesting a copy of the discussion on how that decision was reached

7. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item

8. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

Spoke of recent appeal decisions at Silverstone & Kings Sutton (and the 5 year land supply issuers) Blackhorse Field reserve matters (including Highways and bus stop issues); ACE plant relocation and lack of suitable landscaping: Open countryside design (by mid 2015?) and more work required on Rural Housing: SNC Budget balanced (collection dates discussed 10 –v- 12 monthly payments) CA for OS? and Grand Union Canal CA soon: JCS > Pubs in village campaign.

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Spoke on Passenham Quarry and his objection - No further reports

9 Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/0140/MAR Reserved matters pursuant to S/2010/0923/MAO Commercial development (Use classes B1 / B2) with new vehicular access (outline) Former Furtho Pits, Cosgrove Rd Amendment as shown to last months' INTERIM response highlighted in underlined italics

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No security PIR lights are shown, other than a number of external yard lights. There is concern that even these will be visually intrusive given the site position in the landscape causing serious light pollution both to Cosgrove and the surrounding road network. Night time LED lights required

To Note: one of the arguments in support of the original outline approval, was a green travel plan and access to the site by cyclist and pedestrians using metalled footpaths RS14 & 15 from the Old Stratford side of the A5 Trunk Road onto Old Cosgrove Road. Although gates are shown we assume for the purposes of security that they will not be left unlocked.

Although the layout, appearance and scale appear acceptable given modern industrial design but appears inappropriate in the open countryside. The Design and Access statement provided, fails to deal properly with a) Access (outlined above)

14/00011/WASCOU Change of use to allow establishment and operating of an inert recycling facility Passenham Quarry, Passenham

(Note: Not in this change of use app – but a letter previously circulated 25/2 indicated an intention for GRS to apply for and operate a Ready Mixed Concrete Plant > discussion deferred to next Liaison meeting date?)

* **OBJECTION** These proposed changes appear to ignore the required date of completion of the backfilling stipulated on the existing sites planning extension. We now have an apparent application for change of use for the 'importation of selective demolition materials for processing to inert waste', not for the backfilling of the current site but for export and we do not see this as complementary to the existing permitted use suggested at (3.1.1). We have also received correspondence from GRS dated 25/02/2014 that indicates that an application will also be made for a Ready Mixed Concrete plant. This will therefore mean that the area will be blighted for many years and although the current application only indicates 16 HGV movements per day, the Concrete plant will greatly increase this. If this OBJECTION is not supported, then we request a deferral until the Concrete plan is received so that proper consideration can be given to all the proposed changes of use and the affect on the local environs and open countryside.

We also wish to see enforcement on the existing application and update on the proposed negotiations after the last liaison meeting.

(b) Decision Notices

Blackhorse Field development > decision about Bus Stop removal (agreed by NCC) but declined by Developer due to time constraints, possible delays and start date. Cllr Laurence raised the issue of the new pipeline proposals already agreed > to SNC

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

(d) Old Stratford Conservation Area > to consider SNC conclusions

Discussed at length and

* **RESOLVED** to reject the reports conclusion and advance the argument in support of a CA which includes (Grade 2* Ashlar Bridge and ancient Forde river crossing; Trinity House and important setting on the approach to the village; Firs Farm and cottages in Wharf Lane; London Road Grade 2 LBs including the important Swan PH, its outbuildings and settings along with the Terrace of Cottages in Cosgrove Road; Grade 2 House in Towcester Road and its setting adjacent to the Old Wharf House (now lost). Members opine that 'Conservation should be the nature of the environment and the wider parish' and that the assessment is flawed and the conclusion is therefore incomplete, requiring a review.

10. Press Notices

None

11. Correspondence (list at meeting)

* **(a) Northamptonshire ACRE**

Annual fees > from 1/4/14 > **RESOLVED** to approve

* **(b) ADS**

Request re land at Oxfield Park / Oxfield Park Drive (copy attached) > deferred re s106 details

* **(c) OS Community Hall**

Letter requesting further financial assistance (re position of OS Playgroup) (copy attached)

* Discussed at length > Cllr MacDonald to report back to CH Trustees

(d) NJ Blackwell

Public Liability Insurance > for file

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002356	NJ Blackwell:	£1,488.60 (Oxfield Park maintenance)
002357	Aylesbury Mains:	£380.41 (various PL repairs)
002358	Spoilt	
002359	N/CALC:	£29.00 (Training fees Cllr Holloway)
002360	Cllr Holloway:	£10.78 (Mileage re above)
002361	Cosgrove PC:	£98.50 (50% SLCC/MILCM fees)
002365	AH Contracts:	£312.96 (Environmental Contract Feb/March)
Post dated 1/4/14		
002362	M-hp:	£600.00 (Updating Plan H old stratford.org.uk web fess)
002363	Northants ACRE:	£35.00 (annual fees)(Min:11(a))
002364	Spoilt	

(d) To Consider Community Grant Application

New bollards (Towcester Road): MH Tree Removal > clerk to deal

(e) Interim Audit Report

No issues (VAT adjustment noted)

13. Street Lighting

No reports

14. Highways

(a) State of roads generally, especially pot holes and subsidence around manholes/road gullies

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(a) Bonfires - farm buildings rear of the White House, Passenham > development?

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Old Stratford Parish Council

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Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mrs M Clarke (SNC) and Mrs L Smith (OS School Governor)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Baxter by way of resignation (Notice to be posted) & Mr A Walker (NCC) (family illness)

2. Casual Vacancy by Co-option (CV attached)

Mr Ray Smith (CV) and Mrs Jacki Ibell (returning to OSPC) were unanimously welcomed onto the Parish Council to fill existing vacancies

3. Declaration of Acceptance

Cllrs Ibell & Smith duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance and were passed relevant documents including Financial Interests (for completion before next meeting)

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

None

5. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 11th March 2014

Minutes of the meeting 11th March 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record (subject to a spelling error pointed out by Cllr Holloway and discussed)

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

(a) Old Stratford Conservation Area Minute 9(d)

Challenge made to SNC conclusions > request for meeting

* Q confines progress and would resubmit CA proposals with a plan (discussed) and at Cllr Clarke's suggestion, to submit plan of OS and also include indicated area of request for confines

(b) Tree outside MH - storm damage (into forecourt and road) Minute 4(b)

Proposed felling on 15th April placement tree to be agreed after felling > see Min:12(a)

(c) Dirt Track – Oxfield Park Minute 4(c)

Little evidence of use / no response from user group > NFA

(d) PL London Road issue Minute 4(d)

No response yet from NCC on cost saving or local cost of 'switch on' > chased - Mail circulated

(e) ADS Minute 11(b)

Request for land at Oxfield Park / Oxfield Park Drive > NFA

(f) Rear of the White House, Passenham Minute 15(a)

No application (or Pre App) or physical evidence of development or app

7 Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

No further updates

8. Public Speaking Time

Report from School Governor on cycle proficiency and Shakespeare Week (The Tempest)

9. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

Spoke on the Furtho Pit withdrawal and suggestion of a planning brief. Canal Conservation Area Report to committee 10/4 (References to OS discussed – some excluded from CA!); Also spoke on SNC Core Strategy Examination in public (June/July?)(option stage > Oct 14/Mar15); Modified Plan extended > 2019; WNDC > Closed 31 March; Confederation of Small Business meeting; A stop notice Bugbrook (Persimmon Homes) re contrary to condition to note; Lost Appeals at Kings Sutton & Silverstone = No judicial Review on advice of Counsel; Further on OS CA

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

No reports (other than his support for Passenham Gravel Objection)

10 Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/1702/FUL} Installation of 2 wind turbines - Knotwood Fields Farm, Cosgrove Road OS

S/2014/1701/FUL} Installation of wind turbines to generate electricity (as above)

* **OBJECTION** Whether the proposal complies with the SPD on Wind Turbines (Adopted version December 2010), it is, due to the dominant position on the landscape, must be a concern to road safety and the visual impact and distraction to drivers on the A508 / A5 / A5T & A422 converging on the Old Stratford roundabout. Also, the access route to the proposed site off of the A508 is wrong and should refer to Northampton Road – (Old) Cosgrove and farm track under a low culvert under the A508 to Knotwood Fields Farm. Therefore the access statement is incorrect

Review - 14/00011/WASCOU Change of use to allow establishment and operating of an inert recycling facility Passenham Quarry, Passenham

(**Note:** Not in this change of use app – but a letter previously circulated 25/2 indicated an intention for GRS to apply for and operate a Ready Mixed Concrete Plant > discussion deferred to next Liaison meeting date?) (*now cancelled*)

* **OBJECTION remains** as imported material is for processing and onward distribution, not for the end date compliance (request made for enforcement as date of exit strategy has expired)

(b) Decision Notices

Withdrawn - ACE Plant relocation (due to recommendation for refusal due to the design in the open countryside)

* Note: NCCs response re access & reserved matters (MAO) circulated – E-mail sent ‘With the likelihood that the remainder of the site being put forward for commercial development in the future, would SNC consider that the time is right for a design brief for what would be seen as acceptable’

Approved - Detached dwelling land side of 6 Wheelwrights Way (despite pre app supporting OSPC Objections as inappropriate) - Challenge for justification > response circulated and noted

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

11. Press Notices

None

12. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a) Tree Profiles Ltd**

Copy of Insurance & Risk Assessment re proposed tree removal Tuesday 15th April > noted for file

(b) CPRE

Save our Countryside Campaign > Circulated for action (sign and support) for next meeting

(c) SNC Grants Officer

New Homes Bonus Allocations + Grant Panel Meeting dates > circulated for consideration

*** (d) N/CALC**

Training > Problem Solving & Decision Making – Turning ideas into reality (circulated) > NFA

(e) Passenham United Charities

Report on the Trusts activities 2013 > file

(f) E.ON

Standard Terms & Conditions - 3 year fixed term contract > file

*** (g) SNC / Cherwell (Shared Electoral Services)**

European Elections 22 May - Memorial Hall booking 0700 – 2200 (Keyholder details discussed)

(h) Arnold – Thomson (OSPC Solicitors)

Proposed s38 Agreement Canalside / Cosgrove Road awaits completion (s38 explained)

(i) BDO

Notification of Audit 2013/2014 > notice 5-18 May (Records on Appointment from 19 May) with completion by 17 June (to OSPC for signature 10th June - Internal Audit 1 May) > clerk deals

*** (j) Rural Services Network**

Invitation to join a Rural Sounding Board > NFA

*** (k) HMRC / PM**

Employer Allowance re NIC reduction by up to £2K pa > application made (see Note Min:13(c))

*** (l) N/CALC**

Membership subscription + Internal Audit fees

RESOLVED to approve

13. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c:	£555.79
Business Call a/c:	£55,506.24 (Incl: VAT repay)
Available Capital =	£16,913.17 (excluding ERs)

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

Dated 1/4/14 (previously listed as Post Dated)

002362	M-hp:	£600.00 (Updating Plan H oldstratford.org.uk web fess)
002363	Northants ACRE:	£35.00 (annual fees)(Min:11(a))

002366	Clerks Salary:	£724.00
002367	HMRC:	£181 (PAYE) * see note
002368	Petty Cash:	£68.51 (incl: mileage / Office supplies)
002369	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
002370	Mh-p:	£72.00 (Web hosting fees)
002371	NJ Blackwell:	£422.46 (Mowing / maintenance)
002372	British Gas:	£102.02 (MH Gas)
002373	ACS:	£20.00 (MH Windows Feb/Mar)
002374	Cllr Holloway:	£21.07 (Mileage Adj re training)
002375	Nationwide BS:	£210.00 (Pension Gratuity)
002376	Viking:	£328.12 (MH Supplies)
002377	N/CALC:	£580.75 (Subs and Internal Audit Fees – Min:12(1))
002378	E.ON:	£1,165.22 (PL Energy)

Note * HMRC changes omit Employer NIC contributions from 6 April 2014 (when less £2K pa)

14. Street Lighting

(a) PL1 Dickens Drive & PL7 Deanshanger Road are ooo

15. Highways

(a) Tipping remains Cosgrove Road / RS15 > SNC

(b) OS RAB condition? > HA Area 7 (for further update)

(c) Deanshanger Road / Dickens Drive parking issues > NCC Parking Civil Enforcement

16. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Replacement 'No Dogs' Signs for Community Hall Play Area

17. Date of Next Meetings: Annual Open Meeting Tuesday 15th April & Tuesday 13th May (Annual Parish Council Meeting) commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
April 2014**

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Update	Parish Plan Quality Council Neighbourhood Plan	> Actioned - Questionnaire > Action deferred > Action deferred / <i>awaits confines?</i>	> Report near ready to print > deferred > under review (due to cost) and status / relevance under NPPF
Ongoing	Council Surgeries	District Cllr / OSPC	Cllr Clarke (SNC) monthly Surgeries' 1100 - 1200 dates nb / Website OSPC presence > clerk
Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation in new development Blackhorse field – Date ?	Allotments committee to be agreed once development begins
Ongoing	Highway Issues	Village enhancement to include Passenham. Gateway signs on order? Serious potholes Towcester and London Roads	OS congestion remains Some improvements to 30mph compliance Temp repairs not working
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1. Apologies

Cllr Mr B Clayton (holiday) & Mrs Helen Howard (NCC/MGWSP Customer Liaison Officer)

2. Minutes of the 2013 AOM

Minutes of the AOM meeting had been previously displayed and approved at the May 2013 APM

3. Any Outstanding Matters

(a) Allotments and Developer issues

Since Blackhorse Field permission, update given and awaits the approval of all Reserved Matters Update on the ACE Plant relocation and The Meadows appeal approval (not yet commenced)

(b) MK/NCC Boundary issues

MKC highway improvements at Stony Stratford and extended 30mph now in place

4. Petitions or Questions from Electors (*before 12 noon that day*)

Question raised by London Road resident re water issue (photo produced)

* OSPC > SNC Environmental Services / AW re foul water discharge

5. Presentation of Accounts

Outlined by the clerk, especially the current level of Precept levied:

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|---|---------------|
| (a) To receive Audited Accounts 2012/2013 | } No comments |
| (b) Observation of Finance 2013/2014 | } No comments |
| (c) Budget Proposals 2014/2015 | } No comments |

6. Report from Northamptonshire Police

PC Wallace spoke on policing In Old Stratford and gave updated crime figures:

Previous Crime figures >

<i>Burglary Dwelling</i>	5 > 3	
<i>Burglary Other</i>	2 > 1	(from garages and sheds etc)
<i>Criminal Damage</i>	7 > 9	
<i>Drugs</i>	0 > 2	
<i>Violence</i>	12 > 7	
<i>Sexual Offences</i>	2 > 0	
<i>Robbery</i>	1 > 0	
<i>Theft from M/V</i>	10 > 4	
<i>Theft of M/V</i>	1 > 0	
<i>Theft / Handling</i>	5 > 9	
<i>Other Offences</i>	0 > 2	

Total Crimes 37 (a decrease on previous years 45)

Qs included 101 system; Parking – police involvement if actual obstruction or dangerous position, otherwise NCC Parking Partnership. PC Wallace was thanked and he left the meeting.

7. Report from NCC Highways

Issues outside Bridge Stores remain a high priority (awaits confirmation of agreed project)

8. Report from District Councillor Mary Clarke Leader of South Northamptonshire Council & Ward member for Old Stratford & Passenham

Over the past year, I have continued to support you as ward member (and spoke of her involvement as Leader of the Council – with according to the latest life survey by the Halifax this district is the best place to live in the East Midlands, second best rural district, and third best overall in the whole of the UK with South Northamptonshire the biggest climber in the entire survey, which looked at 405 local authorities, ascending 27 places up the list from last year when we stood at 30th. The most striking achievement for South Northamptonshire Council (SNC) has been the relative rise in the employment rate, which at 88.9 per cent is the highest in the UK (average is 71 per cent), and the year-on-year fall in the unemployment rate. Other things taken into account in the assessment include residents' health and life expectancy, crime rate, and the weather. As a Council we are not complacent about the fall in unemployment rate and we continue to invest in our job matching service which sits alongside our regular job clubs in Towcester and Brackley. The Job Match Service gives Job Club members access to a tailored service that can assist them in finding employment suitable for their skills and experience. The Job Match advisor meets with key employers in the area to understand their existing and future growth plans and vacancy requirements. It's a confidential, free of charge service and open to all Job Club members and local businesses. The Job Clubs, based in Towcester and Brackley are operated by South Northamptonshire Council and offer free and confidential assistance from a range of partner organisations. Since taking the Clubs on in 2010 the Council have had over 1500 visits to the regular sessions and over 70 Job Club members have been supported back to work. For the 2013-14 period, we had a Council run Youth Employment Initiative that builds on the success of the SNC Job Clubs with the aim of maximising opportunity for 16-24 year olds to be in employment. There are 4 main objectives to the initiative:

- A series of interventions that will assist each young person to become ready for Education, Employment or Training (REET) through work placements and work experience.
- Ensuring each young person receive maximum support and opportunity to secure employment or an apprenticeship through an individual support plan involving Job Centre Plus, Connexions and other key partners.
- Promoting the scheme to local businesses to create apprenticeships or offer their vacancies locally.
- Promoting the value of young people and the benefits they bring to employers.

At the same time, we have supported Silverstone UTC, which opened in September 2013. It is a brand new centre of excellence for young people wanting to break into the specialist fields of high Performance Engineering and Technical Events Management. It is based in the very heart of British Motorsport, at the Silverstone racing grounds, in a stunning new multi-million pound facility. Silverstone UTC is one of the first UTCs to open nationwide, as part of a government-funded programme to give those aged 14-19 unparalleled pathways into university and rewarding industry careers. The new UTC philosophy brings together a leading local college, university and employers to provide a unique curriculum and a new way of learning. Students can now leave the traditional schooling environment to study GCSEs or A-Levels alongside industry-recognised qualifications focused on meeting the requirements of employers and universities.

So how have all of these various initiatives impacted funding? I am pleased to say that the Council has avoided asking residents for an increase in its proportion of the council tax for the past four years. We have achieved this by continuing to proactively embrace the challenges of reduced government funding by using innovative thinking, technology, joint working and ensuring services offer value for money. There has been an 18% reduction in net expenditure of services since 2009/10 when the net revenue budget stood at £11.6m compared with £9.5m in 2013/14.

During the year, Old Stratford waste collection changed from Wednesday to Thursday each week and the new recycling programme with blue bins and food waste caddies was introduced. In addition, further savings were made by sharing Environmental Services with Cherwell District Council. The Council continues to provide an efficient service.

I have supported Old Stratford residents with the following ward matters:

I responded to the request to intervene in the need for transport for Old Stratford children to get to Sponne School as well as following up on other access to primary school enquiries. All of these requests needed to be handled by the County Council as they are the accountable body for these matters.

I have dealt with a significant number of planning applications on your behalf:

- Over the course of the last year, I have arranged a number of meetings with the Manager of Development Services and planning officers so that members of the Parish Council can make their case on various planning applications. At the same time I arranged for them to receive first hand information on the status of the 5 year land supply.
- I objected to and then spoke at an Appeal for the Garden Bungalow in Passenham. The Appeal was lost and the SNC decision upheld.
- I objected to the taxi application which was subsequently withdrawn at Furtho Court (which would have been refused).
- I got involved when we reached an impasse with the Section 106 agreement for the Ace Plant Hire site in Cosgrove Road, Old Stratford. Last year they were granted planning permission subject to agreeing our obligations under a S106 agreement. Whilst agreeing in principal to these obligations they were unable to agree the method of clawback required by the planning officer. As a result, the application was written up for the 4th July 2013 committee with a recommendation of refusal when an impasse was reached in agreeing the terms of the S106 with the applicant. On the 26 June 2013, an agreement was finally achieved and the item was therefore withdrawn from the agenda. The application went back before the DC Committee on 29 August 2013 where it was approved subject to an amended legal agreement and conditions. The S106 will still include all of the other clauses (and crucially the claw-back of any unused money set aside for decontamination) and additionally if the housing development is not commenced within 5 years of the date of the planning permission being issued they will be required to undertake a new viability appraisal. This additional clause has been agreed to by the applicants.
- The Persimmon development on Black Horse Field continues to be a subject of great concern for a number of residents in the parish. Despite hosting an event at SNC with the Highways Agency, NCC Highways and the Parish Council and gaining agreement to there being a safety audit and the need for a sensitivity report before it coming forward to the planning committee it was subsequently approved by the Development Control Committee. It was recommended for approval as there were no objections received from NCC Highways. I asked for an explanation as to why the case officer misrepresented this application at the pre-application stage. At no time was the legal challenge to the Local Plan raised and the quashing of the local plan policies. Indeed it was not raised by either of the planning officers when both I and the Parish Councillors met with them prior to the Planning recommendation being made. Nevertheless with the quashing of the local planning policies in 1999 relating to this site and the approval from NCC, the planning officers had no basis on which to refuse the development of this site. With the benefit of hindsight the die was cast at the time of the last local plan in 1997. Fortunately SNC had worked with the Parish Council to maximise the S106 contribution and the site will deliver 40% affordable housing. I have told the officers that they must ask Persimmon to consult with the Parish Council prior to submitting a formal reserved matters application.
- The former Furtho Pit site was being recommended for refusal, by reason of its urban form, design and materials which represents an unacceptable development in the open countryside. With the likelihood that the remainder of the site being put forward for commercial

development in the future, I have requested that SNC looks at providing a master plan for this site.

I have lobbied Milton Keynes Council (MKC) for junction improvements at Stony Stratford High Street for the past few years and a 30 mph extension. This was a commitment that I made to try to seek ways to reduce the speed of the traffic on London Road as it heads towards Stony Stratford. I organised a number of meetings with MKC and NCC to further this cause. MKC were supportive and they have introduced the improvements agreed. Unfortunately NCC has not been able to make any further investment in highways and in particular in Old Stratford because of their budget shortfall.

Early in this financial year, the SNC local plan examination was stalled as the inspector asked for more work to be done. We have only just had the second 'examination in public' of the revised joint core strategy. We expect to receive the inspector's findings by July 2014.

I intervened in the Towcester Food Bank relocation in order to gain a better overall solution to their needs. This will allow them to continue to support the parishes including Old Stratford.

I have held surgeries each month in the Memorial Hall Old Stratford. Over the course of the year, I have had a number of confidential matters to deal with including housing, flooding, enforcement, disability support, noise, safety involving vacant premises and children playing ball games on the highway. I have also processed enquiries regarding other non SNC services. I have arranged for the PCSO to attend on site to meet the needs of the parish.

So what are the challenges for the coming year:

- Implementing the Parish Plan and ensuring that it supports the Local Plan
- Working with both MKC, Highways Agency and NCC to gain improvements to the A5 roundabout
- Installation of 2 Wind Turbines at Knotwood Fields Farm Cosgrove Road Old Stratford
- Reserved Matters Application Consultation with Persimmon re Black Horse Field development
- Continuing to seek 5 year land supply
- Continuing to seek improvements to London Road/ Towcester Road
- Conservation Areas-Old Stratford & Passenham
- Master Plan for Furtho Pit site
- Meadows sites off Deanshanger Road

I would like to give a special thank you to Derek Everett, Clerk of the Parish Council for his help over the past year. To the Parish Councillors, thank you too for your support, for allowing me to use the hall for my surgeries and for keeping me on my toes; and finally to those in the parish who have contacted me on many different matters over the last year. If you have anything you wish me to pursue then please feel free to come and see me at my monthly surgery on the last Saturday each month at 11.00 am in the Memorial Hall. The next one will be on the 24th May 2014 because of the Easter holiday. I wish you all every success over the coming year.

I can be contacted on:-Telephone 07747 7757524 or E-Mail mary.clarke@southnorthants.gov.uk

There were no Qs but members and those present wished to register their thanks for her commitment to OS

9. Report from County Councillor Allen Walker Deanshanger Ward including Old Stratford
Well the Elections last May really threw up some interesting challenges. I received the second highest majority in the County and for that (I would like to thank all who voted for me). The Labour party are now the major opposition with the Lib Dems a long way third. UKIP now also have a presence. The make up of the Council is now 35 Cons, 11 Labour, 6 Lib Dems, 3 UKIP with 2 Independents.

There are now only 57 Councillors at County Hall, each having extended Wards. I now have four more Parishes to represent and the number of residents (with new homes included) has gone from 8,500 to approx 11000. I can honestly say, I have been made most welcome at the new PC meetings I attend? I will serve all Parishes as I have done previously over the last 16 years.

Starting with the Budget, we still have to maintain a high level of savings for the next four years, a total of £120M. Even though there are further cuts from Government Grants due to the Austerity measures (I will not get into the blame game) the country comes first, hence the 1.99% rise in Council Tax. "In doing so we have not cut any front line services".

We still have a LGGS agreement with Cambridge and this is helping us to make efficiency savings. With the demise of 16 Councillors nearly £250,000 was made in savings. To my surprise I lost my job as Scrutiny Champion and was made Conservative Whip instead. This still allows me to sit in on Cabinet briefings and have an input on Policy & Strategy as well as attending Cabinet meetings. Things have never been harder for all of us. We are now living in austere times. No matter who was in power due to lack of new money towards local government funding, all political parties would be in the same position.

I still maintain we live in a beautiful part of the UK; in fact it's reputed to be the third best place to live. Our young people have a number of good schools in this area (You don't have to believe me, just look at the Ofsted reports for this District); Hence my determination to keep school standards high. As the County Councillor for this area I still have an input to all major schools in my ward.

Highways: Although you may not think our Highways maintenance is all it's meant to be. Have a look at the surrounding Counties then tell me otherwise. Investment has never been higher at NCC and we have been hailed as a success nationally for the amount of effort we put into road repairs and pot holes. Research shows we should put more tax payer's money into road repairs. Well that's fine but we have a young generation, vulnerable people and the elderly also to look after. We believe in looking after human beings as well as road infrastructure....

Economy: Northamptonshire is the place to be regarding small and large businesses. Local enterprise abounds especially around Northampton, equally look at what is happening at Silverstone with the UTC, loads of our kids go there so our investment of £10M was worthwhile.

Education: Most of our schools are Academies now able to set their own curriculums and school timetables. Because of this standards have risen County wide.

Health & Social Services: The NHS is going through a major restructure to bring it closer to the patients it looks after. We are in the forefront of Health & Wellbeing. Helping the Elderly to be more independent as well as the infirmed getting more Value for Money they spend on Health.

As well as Chief Whip, I am Chair of the Standards Board at NCC and was again elected Chair to the Local Government East Midland Scrutiny Network. I attend regular meetings in London with Parliamentarians on Scrutiny within the UK. From my Empowering Councillors Scheme (£7,000) I have donated money to help Old Stratford Community Infrastructure

My activities locally as your County Councillor have been involved in two developments in the Ward whereby Highways were called upon by me to answer their planning obligations. Road repairs have also been a major issue with again intervention by me to get things right. I have attended an appeal locally to determine house numbers and ensure infrastructure, with a view to stop building in the open countryside belt. As well as supporting all Parishes in the Ward on inappropriate development my local work activities for parishioners remains high. I still manage to maintain a turn around to all enquiries in 24hrs of 100%

Again a big thank you to your Clerk and you Councillors for your professionalism and indulgence whilst I have been dealing with matters at your bequest...

I can be contacted on :-

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10. Any Other Business

None

With no other business the meeting close at 8.35pm

Old Stratford Parish Council

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Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mrs M Clarke (SNC); 0 members of the public

1. Election of Chairman

Proposed by Cllr Ibell seconded by Cllr Pateman that Cllr Whittaker continue as Chairman

* Cllr Whittaker accepted the nomination and signed the Declaration of Acceptance

2. Election of Vice Chairman

Proposed by Cllr Whittaker seconded by Cllr Smith that Cllr Pateman continue as Vice Chairman

* Cllr Pateman accepted the nomination and signed the Declaration of Acceptance

3. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr D MacDonald, Ms K Morris, Mr B Clayton (unable) & Mr A Walker (NCC)(cold)

4. Election of Working Groups and Representatives

The following working parties and representatives were then agreed 2014/2015

Planning:	Full council following current practice
Finance:	Cllrs Whittaker, MacDonald, Holloway, Pateman & Laurence
General Purpose:	Cllrs Pateman, Ibell, Whittaker & Holloway
Scrutiny Committee:	Cllrs Clayton, Pateman, MacDonald & Whittaker
Transport Representative:	The clerk
Pocket Park:	The clerk
Parish/Neighbourhood Plan:	Cllr Pateman (and others as required)
OS & Passenham Charities:	Cllr MacDonald
Parish Path Warden:	Cllr Laurence
Whalley's Charity:	The clerk

RESOLVED That where appropriate and subject to agreed conditions, the clerk would continue to deal with matters under Delegated Powers which would be reported to the Chairman (or Vice Chairman) and Minuted at the next meeting of the Council (Delegated Powers previously listed to avoid dispute) > The clerk to circulate powers

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

None

6. Adoption of Standing Orders, Revised Code of Conduct, Financial Regulations & Risk Assessments for 2014/2015

* **RESOLVED** That SO's as amended, Revised Code of Conduct, Finance and Risks Assessments previously adopted, reviewed and amended along with a new Internal Audit 'Terms of Reference' be formally adopted for 2014 / 2015 along with Internal Audit Requirements (as agreed)

* Copies of SOs, Code of Conduct, Complaints Procedure and adopted Financial Regulations and Risk Assessment had been previously copied to all members

7. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 8th April 2014

Minutes of the meeting 8th April 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Towcester Road footway improvements (near shop) Outstanding

Previous financial support to NCC agreed (set at £3K) > awaits confirmation of project

(b) SNC Grants Officer Minute 12(a)

New Homes Bonus + Grant Panel Meeting dates > circulated for consideration and deferred

(c) OS RAB Minute 15(a)

HA Area 7 (further update) > discussed

(d) No Dogs Signs Minute 16(a)

Clerk produced market design > for approval

9. To Adopt Minutes of the Annual Open Meeting dated 15th April 2014

Minutes of the meeting 15th April 2014 were adopted as a correct record

10. Matters Arising from the AOM Minutes (for information only)

(a) Household flooding issue London Road > Action agreed the clerk to advise

11. Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Latest SIDs counts - Action Police/NCC further discussed.

12. Public Speaking Time

None present

13. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

Spoke on Blackhorse Field and developer failure to attend meeting to secure s106 details > New meeting asap to be arranged; Complaint to Planning Head re lack of continuity and is seeking changes: OS confines? Along with push to confirm CA (SNC to relook policy); Passenham Quarry decision 20th May @ County Hall (would forward SNC response > discussed); Wind Turbine application; Future plans and financial pressures outlined and gave Grants Panel dates (NHB) discussed; Was still Leader of the District Council (congratulated)

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Update on RAB issues > discussed

14 Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/0493/OUT New dwelling (outline) Rear of 5 Towcester Road

* **OBSERVATIONS** A spurious use of a restricted access to a proposed backland development, which could be considered contrary to planning policies designed to protect the character and appearance of the area. Concerns about overlooking and lack of privacy to the existing dwelling and adjacent gardens must be a concern and without a detailed application, these fears cannot be dismissed

S/2014/0507/LDP Lawful Development Certificate for existing extension to rear dormer roof
20 Towcester Road (For information only) > NFA

S/2014/0526/FUL Single storey side extension 1 Canalside

* No Observations

Note: Passenham Quarry > Change of Use to allow establishment and operation of an inert waste recycling facility 20 May @ Council Chamber Council Hall, Northampton
Also: Proposed Modifications to Northants MWDF Partial Review noted (including ‘that any reinstatement of land should not be too lakes’)

- (b) Decision Notices**
 - (c) Enforcement / Appeals**
- None

15. Press Notices
None

16. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a) BPA (British Pipeline Agency)**

Annual Contact Detail Request re National Pipeline under Playing Field/Canal > clerk deals

*** (b) Wicksteed Leisure**

Annual Inspection Reports (no serious issues) > Cllr Pateman

17. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)
RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c: £170.64
Business Call a/c: £72,228.51 (Incl: ½ Precept)
Available Capital = £30,350.29 (excluding ERs)

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

002379	Clerks Salary:	£724.00
002380	HMRC:	£181 (PAYE)
002381	Petty Cash:	£118.69 (incl: mileage / SID padlocks / Norton renewal)
002382	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
002383	Mh-p:	£18.00 (Web hosting fees)
002384	NJ Blackwell:	£1,520.00 (Mowing / maintenance)
002385	Anglia Water:	£33.27 (MH Water rates)
002386	E.ON:	£133.65 (MH Energy)
002387	Canon (UK):	£106.82 (Equip Hire)
002388	AH Contracts:	£156.48 (Environmental contract)
002389	Tree Profiles Ltd:	£1,896.00 (Tree Felling costs)
002390	Aylesbury Mains:	£163.20 (PL repairs)
002391	Wicksteed Playscapes:	£162.00 (Annual Payarea Inspections)
002392	OS Community Hall:	£2,750.00 (s137 Budget Donation)

(d) To Approve End of Year Accounts for Audit (including R&P Book for signature)

R&P Book presented along with Audit Declaration and Accounts for signature. (Internal Audit report dated 1st May read > no issues) > Copy of Accounts for members?

18. Street Lighting

No reports

19. Highways

- (a) London Road / River bridge drains blocked causing flooding to road /footway and RS12
- (b) Cosgrove Road > usual flooding after heavy rain
- (c) Passenham Lane (Road) grips required at Mill Bend after resurfacing

20. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) Village Plan for Autumn Newsletter (and formal publication) > Cllr Laurence (proof)

21. Date of Next Meetings: Tuesday 10th June commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.56pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
May 2014**

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Update	Parish Plan Quality Council Neighbourhood Plan	> Actioned - Questionnaire > Action deferred > Action deferred / <i>awaits confines?</i>	> Report near ready to print > deferred > under review (due to cost) and status / relevance under NPPF
Ongoing	Council Surgeries	District Cllr / OSPC	Cllr Clarke (SNC) monthly Surgeries' 1100 - 1200 dates nb / Website OSPC presence > clerk
Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation in new development Blackhorse field – Date ?	Allotments committee to be agreed once development begins
Ongoing	Highway Issues	Village enhancement to include Passenham. Gateway signs on order? Serious potholes Towcester and London Roads	OS congestion remains Some improvements to 30mph compliance Temp repairs not working
Ongoing 2014	Pots holes		
Update Ongoing	Drainage problems	Cosgrove Road / London Road - river bridge all main issues – Ongoing. Willow Grove / Mounthill Ave + Deanshanger Road gullies	Some remedial maintenance carried out –meeting with MGWSP/NCC re outstanding flooding issues - Broken blocked gullies noted (after latest survey) > most now repaired
Ongoing	Speed complaint SIDs	London Road current siting (counts justify action) Police advised request local speed enforcement	Traffic survey results collated SID counts forwarded No Police Enforcement yet agreed! Despite requests
Reviewed Update	Towcester Road	> verges deferred + o/s shop <i>NCC Budget cuts had reduced funding for local projects?</i>	Outstanding > resolution apparently agreed o/s shop (after resurfacing completed) (lay-by feasibility? dismissed) no NCC budget - OSPC promote project awaits costing / match funding?
Ongoing	Dog Fouling		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). MP/Cllr Clarke assists - Still No progress Despite shop expansion
Ongoing Feb 14 Apr 14	Planning Approved	1. Land off The Meadows 2. ACE Plant site and relocation. Outline approval for housing subject to s106 agreement (now approved) 3. Blackhorse Field	1. Appeal site awaits start 2. Plans submitted for Former Furtho Pit. Cosgrove Road development for housing awaits relocation 3. Permission granted (S106 heads agreed awaits confirmation)

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on 10th June 2014 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr R Whittaker (in the chair), Mr B Clayton, Mr A Holloway, Mrs J Ibell, Mrs N Laurence, Mr A Pateman & Ms K Morris

Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mrs M Clarke (SNC) & Mr A Walker (NCC), Penny Cameron (OS Primary School Governor) and 5 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr D MacDonald & Mr R Smith (unwell)

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 13th May 2014

Minutes of the meeting held 13th May 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Towcester Road footway improvements (near shop) Minute 8(a)

Cost with NCC = 50/50) awaits invoice > discussed and action approved

(b) OS RAB Minute 8(c)

HA Area 7 (further update and complaints including peak hour phasing)

(c) No Dogs Signs Minute 8(d)

Clerk produced market design > for approval after deferral

(d) Village Plan update Minute 20(a)

Cllrs Laurence / Pateman - update agreed

(e) Highways issues Minute 19 (a)–(c)

Await compliance

(f) SNC Meeting (Planners and Developer) Blackhorse Field

Report on meeting circulated – issues discussed included school access / existing hedge/fence boundary

5. Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

SID totals noted – no further updates

6. Public Speaking Time

Old canal rear of Hall Close – issues raised > the clerk to further investigate and respond

7. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

Spoke on the SNC/OSPC meeting 6/6 (re s106 details) and that NCC are not opposed to the bus stop removal (at a later date after Detailed permission granted); Also a letter from Bridge Stores owners and agreed NCC highway improvements; Is pursuing Doctors Surgery issue with Health

Auth (over s106 monies and alleged move from Stony Stratford); Housing mix; When monies are allocated; Also spoke on Moat Lane, Wind Turbines apps; CIL not yet decided (Urges OSPC to respond to consultation)

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Spoke on Highway issues at RAB; NCC in process of saving £110M over 5 year plan from 2012. Centralising employees from a number of sites (Waits for £2M government grant for highway repairs!); Passenham Quarry objections. Otherwise a quiet period

8. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/0743/FUL Proposed new bay window to front elevation 98 Mounthill Ave

* No Objections

S/2014/0765/FUL Double oak framed carport/garage (no doors) 62 Oxfield Park Drive

* No Objections

Proposed development off The Meadows / rear of Deanshanger Road

Pre app - OSPC excluded (previous 2012 App was supported and approval subject to determination)

* Resident complaints that work has commenced – unconfirmed (preparing site access?)

(b) Decision Notices

Approved – Passenham Gravel change of use at allow establishment and operation of inert waste recycling facility (MK application to extend restoration scheme – is outstanding and response sent)

Refused - (Dwelling outline) Backland development rear of 5 Towcester Road

Withdrawn - S/2013/1701/FUL & S/2013/1702/FUL Installation of 3 wind turbines Knotwood Fields Farm, Old Stratford Recommended for Refusal have been WITHDRAWN

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

9. Press Notices

None

10. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a) Resident letter**

Request to use MH for charity event (Willen Hospice) Sat 16 Aug > Approved FOC

(b) SNC Returning Officer

Casual Vacancy by Co-option is agreed > noted (2 Vacancies now remain)

(c) NCC Democratic Services

Cllrs Empowerment Scheme 2013/14 - Info re Cllr (NCC) donation > clerk deals

(d) E.ON

New Business plan to be agreed? > clerk to deal

11. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c: £92.53
Business Call a/c: £64,886.29
Available Capital = £22,284.96 (excluding ERs)

Proposed by Cllr Whittaker seconded Cllr Ibell and unanimously carried for approval

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

002393	Clerks Salary:	£724.00
002394	HMRC:	£181.00 (PAYE)
002395	Petty Cash:	£78.24 (incl: mileage / office/MH sundries)
002396	Cleaner:	£105.00 (MH / RG litter pick / Election key holder)
002397	Mh-p:	£18.00 (Web hosting fees)
002398	NJ Blackwell:	£838.21 (Mowing / maintenance)
002399	AH Contracts:	£189.60 (Environmental contract May)
002400	ACS:	£20.00 (MH Windows Apr/May)
002401	British Gas:	£220.94 (MH Heating)
Paid 11/06/14		
002402	NCC:	£3,000.00 (50% cost of Highway improvements)

12. Street Lighting

(a) PL7 Deanshanger Road / PL2 Hall Close ooo

13. Highways

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Tree Maintenance Canal / Playing field > site visit required to review original decision of 18m from Sept 13 = Mar 15 / survey)

(b) Further complaints about biting insects/stagnant water old canal rear of Hall Close Clerk would investigate further and respond to OSPC / Residents attending direct via mail. (Reminder that this is a water course with history, receiving ground water (field), CH roof and car park surface water)

(c) Summer Newsletter end of July/August

15. Date of Next Meetings: Tuesday 8th July 2014 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.55pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
June 2014**

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
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Old Stratford Parish Council

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Present:

Cllrs Mr R Whittaker (in the chair), Mr B Clayton, Mr A Holloway, Mrs J Ibell, Mrs N Laurence, Mr D MacDonald, Ms K Morris, Mr A Pateman & Mr R Smith
Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllrs Mrs M Clarke (SNC) and Miss Hannah Miller (OS School Governor)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mr A Walker (NCC)(family commitments)

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

Cllr Clayton S/2014/0953/FUL personal application

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 10th June 2014

Minutes of the meeting held 10th June 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Towcester Road footway improvements (near shop) Minute 4(a)

Post positions marked > installation?

(b) OS RAB Minute 4(b)

Whilst NCC had cut NCC highway verges - HA Area 7 had not (further update and complaints re road safety dismissed including peak hour phasing)

(c) No Dogs Signs Minute 4(c)

New sign erected CH play area

(d) Village Plan update Minute 4(d)

> newsletter

(e) Blackhorse Field development Minute 4(f)

S106 contributions to SS Health Centre – further discussed (SS expansion and rumours) of relocation > MK

* Stonedean Practice leaflet > Cllr Clarke for info

(f) Play equip defect rear of CH

* Seesaw damaged - parts ordered > discussing cost deferment with Wicksteed (2013 Credit note)

5. Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

SID batteries > Cllr Pateman / Clerk 13 July

6. To agree action re tree line between the Playing field and Hall Close after Cllr inspection

* Action discussed at length

RESOLVED that the survey originally arranged for March 2015 be brought forward to this autumn

7. To receive report of investigation into Old Canal water course / Pocket Park alongside Deanshanger Road between Dickens Drive and the A422

* Copy of response from SNC Environmental Health to complainant read and discussed as NFA recommended by SNC and reasons detailed. Outflow to be looked at and report back

8. Public Speaking Time

School report by Governor on reduced class sizes from September

9. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

CA review (awaits OS) + confines review with other LDVs; Complaints re OS based private hire @ MK Station (SNC/MKC deal) / standards of vehicle / drivers etc; Community Safety review; Further discussions with Planners re Persimmon Homes (Blackhorse Field) and footpath link to school / alternative (and possible obstacles/separate highway agreement/original landowner covenant?) and meeting with Area Health Authority re s106 provision for SS Medical Centre funding; Spoke extensively on Mion:7 (no basis to enforce) and has met with new MKC Leader

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Had forwarded details of new Route 90 contract from end of August

10. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/0765/FUL Double oak framed carport/garage (no doors) 62 Oxfield Park Drive

* **INTERIM** response 'No Objections' > NFA

S/2014/0819/FUL Alteration/enlargement to front dormers to include alteration to roof pitch and materials change 15 Wharf Lane

* Given previous permissions – No further observations

INTERIM (Cllr Application)(Cllr Clayton left the meeting

S/2014/0953/FUL Detached dwelling with associated access and driveway. Land adjacent t47 Towcester Road

* No objections

(b) Decision Notices

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

11. Press Notices

None

12. Correspondence (list at meeting)

* **(a) CPRE**

Annual subs @ £36 > to be agreed

RESOLVED: That the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interest of the area and its inhabitants namely donations of £36

* **(b) BDO**

Completion of Audit 2013/14

RESOLVED: That the Annual Return be approved and accepted by the council

* No issues save level of Fidelity (already resolved) and will be reviewed next Annual Meeting

*** (c) Came & Company**

Parish Council Insurance renewal (Fidelity Limit remains at £150K) > discussed and agreed

*** (d) NCC Minerals & Waste**

Passenham Liaison Meeting Wed 16th July @ 2pm Memorial Hall

*** (d) SNC Head of Strategic Planning and the Economy**

Promoting the rural economy > to agree links to website (publications circulated for info)

* Website link agreed

*** (e) West Northants JPU**

Consultation on CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule) > ends 7 Aug

* NFA

(f) E.ON

Confirmation of negotiated new electricity prices > for file

13. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c:	£317.54
Business Call a/c:	£60,353.83
Available Capital =	£17,557.74 (excluding ERs)

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

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002413	CPRE:	£36.00 (Annual Subs Min 12(a))
002414	BDO:	£360.00 (Audit fees 2013/14)(Min;12(b))
002415	DM Everett:	£510.00 (Personal Chq re replacement PC)
002416	K Peach:	£139.98 (MH & CH Maintenance)
002417	K Morris:	£9.00 (LR Checks x 3)(Min:4(f) June)
Post Dated 01/08/2014		
002418	Came & Company:	£2,048.84 (OSPC Insurance renewal)(Min:12(c))

12. Street Lighting

No reports

13. Highways

(a) Pot holes and subsidence around drains identified (Mounthill Ave /Towcester Road

- (b) Tree removed Mounthill Ave (by NCC?) > clerk to investigate
- (c) Mounthill Ave > parking overflow from Furtho Court? > clerk to investigate

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) To agree joint LDV (Limited Development Villages) > SNC re confines
- (b) Issue of B&B Refuse Deanshanger Road > permission/Building Regs
- (c) Boundary issue rear of MH > members to inspect
- (d) Cllr MacDonald proposed MH open for personal memorials and remembrance re 100 years (WW1) > newsletter

15. Date of Next Meetings: Tuesday 9th September commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
July 2014**

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Ongoing	Dog Fouling	<i>New No Dogs for CH Play Area after original removed</i>	Monitor after additional signs in place > ongoing (Newsletters)
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Old Stratford Parish Council

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Also present was Mr D Everett (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs J Ibell & Mrs M Clarke (SNC)(unwell), Mr A Walker (Unable)

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

Cllr Clayton declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in S/2014/0953/FUL as the applicant

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 8th July 2014

Minutes of the meeting held 8th July 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Towcester Road footway improvements (near shop) Minute 4(a)

Post positions marked > installation end of Sept/Oct

(b) No Dogs Signs Minute 4(c)

New sign awaits for Playing field (request of football club)

(c) Blackhorse Field development / Health Centre Minute 4(e)

* Stonedean Practice leaflet > Cllr Clarke for info

(d) Tree Safety Survey rear of CH Minute 6

Tree Profiles instructed to carry out Safety Survey (83 trees survey cost @ £695 + VAT) including the prospect of lifting crowns

(e) Old Canal / Deanshanger Road Minute 8

* Further advice sought

Copy of response from SNC Environmental Health to complainant read and discussed as NFA recommended by SNC and reasons detailed. Outflow to be looked at and report back
Allowing more water to drain away may increase areas of concern – ecology seen as good at present

(f) NCC Minerals & Waste Minute 12d)

Passenham Liaison Meeting Wed 16th July > Minutes and Plan circulated

(g) MH perimeter fencing Minute 14(c)

Fencing replaced by adjacent landowner > thanks given

5. Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Parish Plan nearing final proof > for next meeting?

6. Public Speaking Time

No speakers

7. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC)

Report attached

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Comments on Passenham highway plans (not supported) passed on

8. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/0765/FUL Double oak framed carport/garage (no doors) 62 Oxfield Park Drive

* **INTERIM** response 'No Objections'

S/2014/0819/FUL Alteration/enlargement to front dormers to include alteration to roof pitch and materials change 15 Wharf Lane

* Given previous permissions (contrary to Policy) – No further observations

S/2014/0953/FUL Detached dwelling with associated access and driveway. Land adjacent t47 Towcester Road * **INTERIM** (Cllr Application)(Cllr Clayton left the meeting

* No objections – resubmitted due to boundary alteration > No further comments

S/2014/1486/MAR Variation to previous drawings re road layout for 33 dwellings land east of Deanshanger Rd (off The Meadows) > noted

S/2014/1215/FUL Dormer extension to existing roof space and conservatory 36 Manorfields Rd

* No observations

(b) Decision Notices

None

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

Appeal – Against refusal of Outline permission for a single dwelling rear of 5 Towcester Road

9. Press Notices

None

10. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a)(i) MGWSP / NCC Highways**

Mail re 'Consultation' with MKC re proposal to make Passenham Lane 'No Entry' from Beachampton Road (> MGWSP re lack of OSPC Consultation)

*** (a)(ii) Passenham Resident**

Complaint of lack of consultation

*** (b) Cannon UK**

Advice of service charge rise (on copy costs = fraction of a penny) > noted for file

*** (c) N/CALC**

Mail promoting workshop to promote Public Engagement in Next Local Council elections in becoming Parish Councillors

*** (d) NCC Marketing**

Advice leaflets circulated promoting 'You can do it on line' Bus Passes / Blue Badge Scheme' > nb

*** (e) Resident after fund raiser**

Thanks to OSPC for the use of the MH for charity sale or surplus material and craft equipment
* £600 raised > Parkinson Research / local support group

*** (f) BPA (British Pipeline Agency)**

Notification of survey of Pipeline through OS (Recreation Ground) commencing Sept/Oct > noted

*** (g) South Northants Homes**

Environmental Works 5 year programme – Stage 1 Stakeholder Consultation

* Clerk to deal

(h) Alzheimer's Society

Befriending Scheme call for volunteers > discussed to nb / next newsletter

11. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c: £461.81
Business Call a/c: £51,403.74
Available Capital = £13,423.24 (excluding ERs)

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

002430	Clerks Salary:	£724.00
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002432	NJ Blackwell:	£933.19 (Mowing / maintenance)
002433	AH Contracts:	£153.72 (Environmental contract Aug (credit missed bin))
002434	ACS:	£10.00 (MH Windows Aug)
002435	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
002436	Petty Cash:	£52.10 (July/Aug/Sept)
002437	Chubb Fire Ltd:	£80.10 (Annual MH Inspection)
002438	Anglian Water:	£37.54 (MH Water rates)
002439	Kimbolton Fireworks:	£1,036.80 (Annual Fireworks)
002440	Wicksteed Playgrounds:	£192.38 (Replacement see-saw seat)
002441	Viking:	£105.00 (Office supplies)
002442	K Peach:	£36.00 (CH n/b repairs after wind damage)

12. Street Lighting

(a) London Road and PLs switched Off and road safety issues

* Meeting with SNC/Daventry DC Safety Officer / MGWSP (Helen Howard) and CPSO (Towcester Town); attended by Cllr Pateman and the clerk – discussed at length and awaits report

13. Highways

(a) Cosgrove Road near RS15 Litter Bin previously missed now emptied (now has asbestos tiles and wicker chair) > Cllr Laurence to advise whether collected Thursday 11/9

(b) Increasing Volumes of HGV traffic > as a result of Min:12(a) agreed to lodge concern on the considerable increase in Construction traffic London / Towcester Road as without specific planning conditions to protect OS matters will get worse.

* Letter to NCC/MGWSP

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Autumn Newsletter > October for distribution

(b) Recent Police Mobile Office visit > poorly advertised already raised

15. Date of Next Meetings: Tuesday 14th October commencing at 7.30pm

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September 2014**

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Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation in new development Blackhorse field – Date ?	Allotments committee to be agreed once development begins
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Reviewed Update	Towcester Road	> verges deferred + o/s shop <i>NCC Budget cuts had reduced funding for local projects?</i>	Outstanding > resolution apparently agreed o/s shop (after resurfacing completed) (lay-by feasibility? dismissed) no NCC budget - OSPC promote project and have match funding (delay)
Ongoing	Dog Fouling	<i>New No Dogs for CH Play Area after original removed</i>	Monitor after additional signs in place > ongoing (Newsletters)
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1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mr B Clayton (Working away)

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

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3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 9th September 2014

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

(a) No Dogs Signs Minute 4(b)

New signs await for Playing field (football club > dealing)

(b) Blackhorse Field development / Health Centre Minute 4(e)

Continued surgery rumours > Cllr Clarke dealing with Area Health Authority direct

(c) London Road Minute 12(a)

PLs switched off and road safety issues - NCC response circulated along with the clerks reply to a FOI request from London Road resident > NFA available

(d) Increasing Volumes of HGV traffic Minute 13(b)

Letter to NCC/MGWSP re considerable increase in Construction traffic London / Towcester Road as without specific MKC planning conditions to protect OS matters will only get worse.

* SNC Officer making enquiries with MKC re Planning Conditions > deferred

9(a) Cllr Clarke's report taken due to another meeting (see below)

5. To Consider Arboreal Report (Trees Hall Close / Recreation Ground)

Low priority although a recommendation to raise crown of inner row lifted to 4 metres and outer row to 2 metres and most of the middle row to be removed (orange spot) to allow inside and outside rows to grow with more space and ensuring healthy crown development

* Initially the main issue to be considered are the trees around 9 Hall Close > work agreed – clerk authorised to instruct (consultation to other residents after initial work and effect reviewed)

6. To Review Installation of Bollards (Towcester Road near Bridge Stores) and issues Freedom of Information Request (London Road resident) re New Bollards London Road lighting

* The clerk had responded immediately to a Freedom of Information request with a further explanation > copied to members and discussed. With papers now on sale and milk and other supplies not affected; the outstanding issue is Commercial Waste collection as contractors can no longer drive onto the verge due to bollard installation?

7. Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Updated

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

Concerns re Passenham Lane One Way consultation and decommissioned PLs London Road
Request by occupier 42 Willow Grove to move PL > deferred

9. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC) *taken after Min:4(d)*

Waste issue at shop; Traffic / Road Safety > Road Safety Officer; Review of District and Housing needs (social housing = 10 units 2015 land east of Deanshanger Road; 25 units 2016/7 (Blackhorse Field); 5 Units Cosgrove Road (ACE Plant) no time-scale)); SNC looking to accelerate availability; Sat 6/7 Nov SNC sponsoring small business exhibition; Allocations Policy for SNC Homes / SNC and Register of Interest; and Finally, good news re Joint Core Strategy which has been accepted by Inspector and ready for Adoption. *With no Qs Cllr Clarke then left the meeting*

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Most of NCC issues dealt with at Min:8

10. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/1669/FUL } Single storey Orangery 27 London Road

S/2014/1668/LBC } As above

* No objections or observations

S/2014/1650/FUL Rear dormer extension to existing roof space 2 Rivercrest Road

* No observations

(b) Decision Notices

Permit - Double oak framed carport/garage (no doors) 62 Oxfield Park Drive

Permit - Alteration/enlargement to front dormers to include alteration to roof pitch and materials change 15 Wharf Lane

Permit – Mobile Home for ancillary use 28 Mounthill Ave

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

11. Press Notices

None

12. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a) Resident (OS Remembered Group)**

Q re memorial refurbishment – highlighting names

* **RESOLVED** to approve

(b) Doorstep Crime Network

Reinforce action > noted - circulated + nb NFA

*** (c) Neighbourhood Watch Area Support Team**

Request for annual £10 donation to support SN area > for approval

RESOLVED: That the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 of the Local

Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interest of the area and its inhabitants namely donations of £10.00

*** (d) New Legislation affecting Parish Councils**

The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 soon to be implemented. This includes 'filming / photographing / recording etc + availability of reports

* Details noted > OSPC ready to comply (Along with the FOI Act already implemented)

*** (e) Webmaster (Public Engagement)**

Advice as above and comment that 'Every Council should have a 'Twitter' account and already be broadcasting information and a list of followers'; Also proposed that a Questionnaire be included on OSPC website – declined as questionnaire delivered to every household already completed

* The clerk spoke on the item. (It was agreed that OSPC would not have Twitter or Blog Accounts)

Mh-p request sight of OSPC Questionnaire inappropriate at this time

(f) NCC / LGSS Law re Falcon Drive / Pump Place

Adoption 2nd October 2014 (part 9th October 2014) noted (PLs already adopted) > noted for file

(g) Complaint of Ragwort

OS RAB /the meadow rear of Manorfields Road > circulated and passed to DEFRA / landowners

* Note: Also a complaint of Japanese Knotweed in overgrown garden of 5 Cosgrove Road > SNC

13. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c: £664.70

Business Call a/c: £51,918.29 (Incl: Hall hire & Investment Interest *)

Available Capital = £16,211.16 (excluding ERs)

* Note: 2 year Investment Interest on £116,000 @ 3.3% pa = £3,817.51 > Capital Income RFO had reinvested for 1 year only as max = 0.95% **RESOLVED** to approve

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

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002447	NJ Blackwell:	£832.33 (Mowing)
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002449	ACS:	£10.00 (MH Windows Aug)
002450	Aylesbury Mains:	£165.60 (PL repairs)
002451	British Gas:	£84.86 (MH Gas)
002452	E.ON:	£1,193.44 (PL Energy)
002453	K Peach:	£69.86 (MH external maintenance)
002454	N/CALC:	£39.00 (Training costs - Cllr Holloway)
002455	Tree Profiles:	£834.00 (tree H&S Survey > Min:5)
002456	OS Community Hall:	£636.00 (Events donation less Fireworks costs)
002457	OS Community Hall:	£500.00 (C&D Act donation > CH Lighting)
002458	Canon.UK:	£106.82 (Equipment Hire)
002459	SNAST:	£10.00 (Min:12(c))

14. Street Lighting

- (a) Number of faults reported and some repaired others chased

15. Highways

(a) Footpath Closures RS11 & RS12 / Cycle – footpath crossover A422

Due to new water main installation and complaints re RoW closure and obstruction to cycle track AW advised on prior signage required (RoW) and footway / cycle track obstruction by contractor and Health & Safety issues

(b) Tipping / Defective litter bin

Bagged builders rubble left at turning head Deanshanger Road / A422 > SNC Environment Services
Litter bin awaits replacement

(c) O/S 21 Mounthill Ave

Further complaint re overgrown hedge > SNHomes

(d) OS RAB

Q re Road Markings and Traffic Management > HA

16. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) Swan PH > OSPC to request Swan PH as a Community Asset (clerk advised on details)

(b) 42 Willow Grove

Request to move PL (the clerk had raised the issue of ‘No dropped kerb’) > next Agenda

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None

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 14th October 2014

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

(a) Blackhorse Field development / Health Centre Minute 4(b)

Continued surgery rumours and the planning conditions re s106 monies for surgery improvements to benefit OS

* SNC Planners and Cllr Clarke dealing with Area Health Authority

(b) Increasing Volumes of HGV traffic Minute 4(d)

Letter to NCC/MGWSP re considerable increase in MK Construction traffic London / Towcester Road without specific MKC planning conditions to protect OS matters

* SNC Officer making enquiries with MKC re Planning Conditions > No update deferred

(c) Bridge Stores Minute 6

Further correspondence circulated for comment. Current petition 'Save our shop'

(d) Passenham Traffic Scheme proposals Minute 8

The clerk had circulated the exchange of views between NCC/OSPC. Q arose from a highway safety query early in 2013 after a spate of accidents. Which NCC/MGWSP infer was consultation and request to treat the latest replay as such > the clerk had advised that no proper consultation had taken place (supported by Cllr Walker).

5. Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Updated

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

Concerns expressed about Bridge Stores and difficulties caused by the introduction of bollards and the support for the shop; A petition with some 500 signatures; London Road lighting; Cycling on the footway;

7. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC) Spoke on Petition to force a debate at county level; SNC was doing what it could in supporting the shop.(including looking at enterprise grants for local businesses); Raised by OSPC re new development grant to local doctors surgery which could move (disbenefit to OS) > pushing for NHS consultation; Air Quality raised at her District Council surgery showed

that 2012/2013 levels were below National Air Quality limit - reviews were ongoing (link to the clerk); Employment workshops at Towcester TH 25th Nov 11.45 – 1.15pm; Moat Lane progress (new SNC HQ); SNC seeking funding (£4.3M) for A43 pinch points; Broadband improvements (OS with MK address OK); Young citizens event @ Silverstone circuit (re ASB); SNC continue joint working with Cherwell & Stratford DCs as Treasury seeks a further £40B cuts in public expenditure. There were no Qs and *12 members of the public left the meeting*

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

No reports

8. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/1969/COND Condition 3 (Fume extractor) Application in pursuant to Condition 3 (S/2009/0099/FUL) Megna Indian Falcon Drive

* No observations

S/2014/2043/FUL Proposed extension to garage 49 Willow Grove

* No objections

S/2014/1870/FUL Variation of condition 2 (plans) and 12 (garage) of S/2012/1193/FUL Detached bungalow with habitable room in the roof loft) to change the garage to be used as a study and change door and side elevations. Land rear of 4 Hawkwell Estate

* Observations that further loss of off street parking for what is a 4 bed dwelling appears unacceptable in planning terms. Condition 12 is also retrospective / contrary to policy.

S/2014/1807/COND To approve finished floor levels (as above) Land rear of 4 Hawkwell Estate

S/2014/1808/COND To approve landscape plans (as above) Land rear of 4 Hawkwell Estate

* No further observations

INTERIM

S/2014/2057/FUL Raise roof and convert loft with front and rear dormers 55 Oxfield Park Drive

* **OBJECTION** Contrary to original design statement (the development) and is incongruous and would seriously affect the street scene and create an unacceptable precedent. The proposal is now for a 3 storey dwelling with a raised roof. It is not an expansion into the existing roof space and should therefore be refused

(b) Decision Notices

Permit - Single storey Orangery 27 London Road

Permit - Rear dormer extension to existing roof space 2 Rivercrest Road

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

9. Press Notices

None

10. Correspondence (list at meeting)

(a) Western Power Distribution UMSO

Inventory: 50027692 – Street Lighting > changes will be notified (resulting increased energy costs)

(b) Northamptonshire Rural Housing Association

Annual Report > noted for file

(c) NCC Public Consultation

Fire & Rescue Service draft Community Protection Plan Update & Review 2015 > noted for file

*** (d) Stony Stratford Town Council**

SSTC Neighbourhood Plan - Pre submission consultation 25 Oct – 5 December 2014

* Invitation to informal meeting at SS Library Mon 17 November at 7pm

(e) Northants Police SN Safer Community Team

Ward cluster info on Main Crimes and ASBs > circulated for info

*** (f) Calverton Plan**

Circulated for info > request to meet re concerns of rat running through Calverton to Beachampton Road due to MK expansion south of Stony Stratford > meeting to be agreed

*** (g) Northamptonshire Highways**

Urban Highway Grass Mowing 2014 > Invoice for £712.61 sent

* Discussed was the Late Payments of Commercial Debts Act and NCC policy > clerk deals

*** (h) Jason Higgins BMFA Member**

Use of playing field for drone licence requirements > Full Public Liability Insurance

* Disussedc&

(i) ICO

Registration fee by DD

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DD	ICO:	£35.00 (Annual Registration Fee)
002471	OSCH:	£119.98 (Min:11(d))

* Note: Clerk to seek quote for remainder (with nature trail proposal) agreed

(d) To consider donation to OSCH re box fridge & tea urn sited in MH

Discussed – Motion 1 'Should OSPC give a donation' or 2 'Should OSPC take full responsibility (for PAT testing etc) and reimburse full cost > Vote: Motion 2 by majority and therefore **RESOLVED** that OSPC reimburse OSCH for the sum of £119.98 > MH assets

12. Street Lighting

(a) To consider the request to move street lamp o/s 42 Willow Grove

Discussed with an exchange of views after photographs were produced

* It was agreed that Mr Emery be referred to NCC/MGWSP for permission (before any resiting at the occupiers expense is agreed)

(b) PLs 000 7 Dickens Drive (again) / 5 & 6 The Meadows

13. Highways

(a) Bridge Stores Agreed to push for a further feasibility study as a lay-by is the only way forward due to problems after bollard installation with shop deliveries (shop is valuable asset and the last shop in OS); Localism Act petition numbers for NCC referendum (*added here for clarity is 15,250 at County level*), Also noted that parking on footway opposite Bridge Stores behind railings exiting via Cosgrove Road by crossing

(b) AW Pipeline installation compound 100 Acre field access/egress is via cycle track onto Deanshanger Road > clerk to deal site foreman and signage

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Finance WP re Budget proposals > MH Tuesday 2nd December @ 7.15pm

(b) Parish Plan with the clerk to update numbers before > Cllrs Laurence / Pateman

(c) Community Engagement Cllr Smith to suggest draw at newsletter > forward idea

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

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(b) Bridge Stores Minute 4(c) & 13(a)

Clerk gave a report on two meetings he attended at SNC with 1) Bridge Stores and interested parties and 2) NCC arranged by Dist Cllr Clarke.

* NCC have committed funds for bore holes / review lay-by costs prior to any Grant application

(c) Passenham Traffic Scheme proposals Minute 4(d)

No further report from NCC – SID installed after last meeting showed 24,232 (Battery renewed)

(d) Stony Stratford Town Council Minute 10(d)

No attendees to informal meeting re SSTC Neighbourhood Plan SS Library Mon 17 November

* Plan Report noted for file

(e) Drones – Playing field Minute 10(h)

Discussed - especially concerns of toys (with cameras) after Christmas > next newsletter

(f) Playing Field Tree Line Minute 11(a)

Quotation received for remainder > Contractor advised to commence before nesting season

(g) Resiting of street lamp o/s 42 Willow Grove Minute 12(a)

NCC/MGWSP approval > no quote yet to hand – action agreed

(h) Community Engagement Minute 14(c)

Cllr Smith spoke on the item re proposal (circulated) for Charity Draw

* Discussed at length and deferred next meeting (Agenda item)

(i) OS Conservation Area Outstanding

SNC have agreed review and awaits site meeting (Cllr Clarke) (Report for file)

5. Outstanding Activities (Attached to previous Minutes)

Updated as discussed

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

Mr Brody reported that the school was currently full (210 pupils with 26 from preschool)

7. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Clarke (SNC) – Report attached and circulated

Reported on the death of Lady Townsend (former Lord Lieutenant); Spoke of her report to Committee – now approved for review of OS CA; Appeal result for 5 Towcester Road by written reports; Petitions and referendums; Bridge Stores – attempts to seek funding for lay-by and details; Funding from DfT for road improvements around Towcester and investment Strategy; Licensing (Temporary Event Notice (TENs) and deadlines for holiday period; Blue Bin success; Progress on joint working (Cherwell/SNC/ Stratford-on-Avon DCs) on new forms of governance; Blackhorse Field reserved matters and in giving her apologies wished all a good Christmas with your families and look forward to meeting up in the new year; Confirmed last Surgery date as 20th December

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

Spoke on Child Protection Services (Accountable Care / Wellbeing); Next generation of services new / challenging way forward in the next 5 years; Budget – offsetting costs to taxpayers; Sharing details; £55M to be saved; Increase capped @ 1.9 or 1.99% (discussed) = £15 pa each household?; Questions about Police / Fire funding etc. and privatisation of services

8. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2014/2183/MAR Reserved matters application pursuant S/2013/0560/MAO 125 dwellings and associated infrastructure

* Access to the school unclear (s106 funding in leau of bus stop/shelter previously agreed); OSPC still seeks access to Dickens Drive (as development would be cut off when school is closed)

S/2014/2137/ADV 1 No fascia sign above main entrance (illuminated) Unit A2/A3 Falcon Drive

* Noted

S/2014/2127/FUL Two storey front extension 30 Dickens Drive

* No objections

S/2014/2057/FUL To raise loft and convert loft with front and rear dormers 55 Oxfield Park Drive

* **INTERIM** Objection confirmed - No further comment (applicants response discussed)

(b) Decision Notices

Permit - Single storey Orangery 27 London Road

Permit - Rear dormer extension to existing roof space 2 Rivercrest Road

Appeal Allowed – New dwelling (Outline) rear of 5 Towcester Road

Refused – Extractor fan details Unit A2/A3 Falcon Drive

Withdrawn – Development east of Deanshanger Road / off The Meadows (estate highway issues)

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

(d) To Approve Parish Plan proposals for publication

Circulated with the Agenda > Discussed – minor amendments agreed > ready for printing and for adoption at Annual Meeting

* Members expressed their appreciation to both Cllrs Laurence and Pateman for their efforts

9. Press Notices

None

10. Correspondence (list at meeting)

Circulated by E-mail > NFA

11. Finance

(a) The Council to approve Running Balance and budgetary controls (with Agenda)

RESOLVED to approve by unanimous decision

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance (Provisional End of Year Reconciliation)

Treasurer's a/c: £872.11
Business Call a/c: £64,418.64 (Incl: HMRC repayment)
Available Capital = £27,499.15 (excluding ERs)

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

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

002472	Clerks Salary:	£724.00
002473	HMRC:	£181.00 (PAYE)
002474	Petty Cash:	£36.44
002475	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
002476	Aylesbury Mains:	£201.60 (PL repairs)
002477	ACS:	£10.00 (MH Windows)
002478	NJ Blackwell:	£733.69 (Mowing)
002479	AH Contracts:	£156.48 (Environmental contract Nov)
002480	Anglian Water:	£35.28 (MH water rates)

(d) To Approved Budget recommendations (by Finance Working Party)

RESOLVED: That the precept be issued for the sum of £40,000

12. Street Lighting

(a) PL1 Trinity Close / PL8 Willow Grove ooo

(b) Q – Camera on PL MK side of the bridge facing OS?

13. Highways

(a) Deferred night time road closure (from Monday 15th – Saturday 20th December between 2000 – 0600) for white lining / resurfacing of OS RAB and approaches (A5/A508/A422). Due to A5(T) closed from Abbey Hill RAB will mean also mean additional diverted traffic through OS. A508 close between RAB and Northampton Road, Cosgrove > send again

14. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

None

15. Date of Next Meetings: Tuesday 13th January 2015 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.09pm With Xmas wishes and get together

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
December 2014**

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Ongoing	Parish Plan Quality Council Neighbourhood Plan	> Actioned - Questionnaire > Action deferred > Action deferred / <i>awaits confines? & CA</i>	> Report near ready to print > deferred > under review (due to cost) and status / relevance under NPPF
Ongoing	Council Surgeries	District Cllr / OSPC	Cllr Clarke (SNC) monthly Surgeries' 1100 - 1200 dates nb / Website OSPC presence > clerk
Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation awaits Blackhorse Field	Allotments committee awaits confirmation of allocation and plans
Ongoing	Highway Issues	Village enhancement to include Passenham. Gateway signs on order?	OS congestion remains Some improvements to 30mph compliance Temp repairs not working
Ongoing 2014	Pots holes	Serious potholes Towcester and London Roads	Temp repairs not working
Update Ongoing	Drainage problems	Cosgrove Road / London Road - river bridge all main issues – Ongoing. Willow Grove / Mounthill Ave + Deanshanger Road gullies	Some remedial maintenance carried out –meeting with MGWSP/NCC re outstanding flooding issues - Broken blocked gullies noted (after latest survey) > most now repaired
Ongoing	Speed complaint SIDs	London Road current siting (counts justify action) Police advised request local speed enforcement Passenham	Traffic survey results collated SID counts forwarded No Police Enforcement yet agreed! Despite requests Sid located Passenham Lane
Update			
Reviewed Update	Towcester Road Towcester Road o/s village shop	> verge repairs <i>NCC Budget cuts had reduced funding for local projects?</i>	Maintenance to be reviewed Bollards installed NCC / OSPC Lay by promoted Funding sought
Ongoing	Dog Fouling	<i>Continues on verges and Playing Field</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). MP/Cllr Clarke assists - Still No progress Despite shop expansion
Ongoing Feb 14	Planning Approved	1. Land off The Meadows 2. ACE Plant site and relocation. Outline approval for housing subject to s106 agreement (now approved)	1. Appeal site awaits start 2. Plans submitted for Former Furtho Pit. Cosgrove Road development for housing awaits relocation
Apr 14	Approved	3. Blackhorse Field	3. Permission granted (S106 heads agreed)