

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday 14th January 2020 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr A Pateman (in the chair), Mr A Holloway, Mrs N Laurence, Ms K Morris,
Mrs L Murgatroyd, Mr R Smith & Mrs S Tait

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllr Mr K Pritchard (SNC), and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr C Allin (away), Mr C Carey (agreed absence), Mrs L Ritson & Mrs N Ryder (unable) &
Mr A Walker (NCC) (family illness)

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated Tuesday 14th December 2019

Minutes of the Meeting held 14th December 2019 were signed as a true record

4. Clerks Report

- Flag Flying > Northamptonshire County Flag supplied by resident, being flown as agreed
- Play areas (x3) Inspection reports > circulated for action (resend) + New Benches installed
- Allotments request re tree line > clerk deals after access discussion (for site visit)(awaits)
- Quote from contractor re verge o/s Buddies £25 + vat (requote re hedge - clerk to check boundary with NCC)

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

Traffic issues

6. District and County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Pritchard (SNC)

Since last meeting unitary process continues; Precept / Budget (NCC/Police & Social Care); Cost of unitary £43.5M; Police to attend Feb meeting (PCSOs not a PS): Passenham planning application (call in); s106 Blackhorse to chase; Grant app for CH barrier; also supports new grant app for Passenham

(b) Cllr Walker (NCC)

In absence sent 'Unitary back on; Budget will show profit'

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

Other than previously circulated correspondence

(a) N/CALC Local Elections

* To consider the need to promote candidacy at the May 2020 elections > Discussed
(Clerks Note: If applications exceed 11 then an election will be required)

(b) NCC Urban Grass Mowing 2020 s136

* **RESOLVED** To approve

(c) NJ Blackwell Garden Services

Contract quote for 2020 season

* **RESOLVED** to approve

(d) SNC Leisure Facilities and Contracts Officer

Advises that fiancé is available OS towards Indoor leisure provision serving OS > copy Cllr Smith

(e) SNC South Northants Local Development Order – extension to consultation

* Noted - NFA

8. Monthly roundup and issues from each councillor

- (a) Cllr Allin** > x
- (b) Cllr Carey** > x
- (c) Cllr Holloway** > As OS resident > wrote and met MP re election pledges re infrastructure & Social Care > to be kept informed; Police issues; Defib training
- (d) Cllr Laurence** > Website; Face book (current) discussed at length
- (e) Cllr Murgatroyd** > Tow Rd grass condition
- (f) Cllr Morris** > canal fencing costs to be investigated after Pocket Park meeting
- (g) Cllr Ritson** > x
- (h) Cllr Ryder** > x
- (i) Cllr Smith** > RAB landscaping > Response to Option 1 (OSIB to design landscape proposals; Traffic signal issues
- (j) Cllr Tait** > o/s 40 Deanshanger Rd chased > Agent / NCC
- (k) Chairman's Report** > Update on Passenham SIDs and Defib connections (£6,800 cost); new application to over the other 50% of NHB application > clerk Social media comments > circulate a response for SNC Facebook page (discussed)

9. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2019/2427/FUL Proposed single storey front, two storey part single storey rear extension
With modifications and new dormer to rear to create 3 dwellings 52 Towcester Road

* **OBJECTION** overdevelopment of a constrained site with inadequate parking for off road parking for 3 units. A previous attempt to access the front of the site from Falcon Drive required the drop kerb to be removed and the boundary reinstated (not done)

S/2020/0014/AGD Determination as to whether prior approval required for agricultural storage building in respect to siting design and external appearance. Land north of Manor Farm Passenham

* **OBJECTION:** We support the officers decision to application S/2019/1645/AGD that a planning permission is required because it does not comply with all the relevant provisions of Class B of Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015. In particular, the application fails to justify that 'the works are reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture within that unit'.

(b) Decision Notice

Refusal - change of use Old Cosgrove Road (Pickering's compound)

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

10. Finance

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

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

(b) To Approve Current State of Finance

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| Treasurer's a/c: | £838.69 |
| Business Inst a/c: | £67,760.37 |
| Earmarked Reserves: | £57,153.64 |
| Available Capital: | £11,435.42 (Vat repayment awaits) |

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

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

Paid 21/1/20 @ Finance WP Meeting

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| 003330 | NCC: | £8,176.63 (Sids/OS & Passenham (+ Defib) project) |
| 003331 | NetWiseUK: | £899.00 (Support Package) |
| 003332 | Clerks Salary: | £796.00 |
| 003333 | HMRC: | £199.00 |
| 003334 | Petty Cash: | £29.80 (incl: MH Windows > ACS) |
| 003335 | Cleaner: | £60.00 (MH cleaning) |
| 003336 | Litter Pick (CH) | £40.00 (CH Play Area & Playing Field Nov) |
| 003322 | DNH Contracts: | £176.64 (Environmental Contract December) |
| 003323 | E.ON: | £97.34 (MH Energy) |
| 003324 | E.ON: | £1,756.64 (PL Energy) |
| 003325 | Chris Allin: | £72.48 (Chq;3314 Cancelled as Direct payment) |
| 003326 | Cotton Craft: | £139.80 (Hi-Viz tabards OSIB) |
| 003327 | Wicksteed: | £2,706.00 (2 x benches CH Play area and installation) |
| 003328 | Canon UK: | £83.75 (Equipment Hire) |
| 003329 | Amberol: | £526.20 (Promenade planter – OSIB) |

(d) To Approve Pocket Park Funding Application (Copy attached)

RESOLVED to approve

11. Street Lighting

(a) Further comments again made about the poor London Road / Towcester Road lighting compared with RAB and SS > requesting safety audit and site visit

** Response by NCC to OSPC complaint > lighting has been passed as suitable (NCC = NFA)*

(b) PL13 Mounthill Ave (cowl water filled); PL24 Oxfield Park Drive Loose cowl

12. Highways

(a) NCC Vegetation clearance Passenham Lane road closure Thursday 6 Feb > previously circulated

13. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Newsletter for March (articles end of Feb)

14. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 21st January 2020 Finance WP commencing 7.30pm (confidential no public)

Tuesday 11th February 2020 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.25pm

**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
January 2020**

| Date | Item | Parish Action | Action by Others |
|---------------------|--|---|---|
| Projects | PL Upgrade A5 upgrade Planters Canal fencing | Completed Sept 2017 Tow / London Road Siting completed ongoing OSIB (OS in Bloom) Deanshanger Road | NHB grant + ER completed (NCC poor lighting complaint) SNC/OSPC grant completed - others to follow (OSPC) Old Metal fencing Under review |
| Ongoing | Council Surgeries | District Cllr / OSPC | Cllr Pritchard continues Bi- monthly for 2019 > web/nb |
| Ongoing | Allotments | Allocation agreed | Allotments committee formed Allotments > OSPC |
| Expand Tracker | Highway Issues Pot holes HGV traffic River Bridge | > Highway Tracker Continual review Monitored Cycle issues | Faults and complaints noted Some patching repairs only HGV traffic <> Letters to hauliers. MKC to assist – request resent as No Response Under Investigation |
| Ongoing | Blocked drains | When required | Monitoring (River bridge) |
| Hold | Speed complaint SIDs Passenham | Permanent power SIDs? Passenham speed thro' 30 'One Way?' proposed | Being investigated Previous Police enforcement NFA (SID in place) Supported by OSPC awaits |
| Highways Tracker | Towcester Road Bus Stop obst'n RAB Parking Regs | > verge repairs OSPC to consider remedy (Report to NCC highways) Markings requested HE funded scheme Cedar Close & others Manorfields/Mounthill & Deanshanger Road end | Maintenance carried out but already damaged by residents and delivery vehicles <i>resolution sought > parking regs</i> NCC Small works agreed? Improvements completed some safety issues remain > A508 Only Cedar Close approved Cosgrove Road & Towcester Rd enforcement issues |
| Ongoing | Dog Fouling Litter | <i>Continues on verges and Playing Field - better</i> | Monitor after additional signs in place > ongoing (Newsletters) |
| Review | Post Office | Clerk had liaised support with Bridge Stores re 'return' of PO * Now Londris (supports) | Positive response awaits outcome with PO (negative) - Still No progress despite shop expansion Request for PO counter |
| Ongoing | St Guthlac's | Churchyard maintenance (In addition to regular mowing) | Tree work ongoing- front Wall rebuild completed Maintenance is reviewed |
| Ongoing | Balancing Pond Blackhorse Dr Hall Close | Safety issues resolved by RoSPA report ? Old Canal issues | Management Scheme tba > as OSPC decline adoption NFA > Awaits SNC advice |