

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 11th JANUARY 2022 at the Memorial Hall Commencing at 7.30pm

Under latest Covid-19 Protocol

Present:

Cllrs Mr T Pateman (in the chair), Mr C Carey, Mr A Holloway, Mrs N Laurence, Ms K Morris, Mrs L Murgatroyd, Mrs L Ritson & Mr R Smith

Also present was Cllr Mr K Pritchard (WNC) & Mr D Everett (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr C Allin (post hospital), Mrs D Wallace & Ms A Webster (other)

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

None

3. Minutes for approval of the Meeting dated Tuesday 14th December 2021

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 14th December 2021 were signed as true record

4. Clerks Report

Framptons presentation re Furtho Pit > viewed artists impressions > discussed

A5 Alliance update (meetings with MP - awaiting result of WNC response) > NFA at this time

Furtho Pit fall out especially Cosgrove

* Chairman spoke on the issues followed by Cllr Pritchard who spoke on his knowledge of the final plan > discussed at length especially rumours about a February planning app? > action agreed

5. Public Speaking Time (points raised before the meeting)

None

6. WNC Councillors Report

Spoke on Committees vs Cabinet and a meeting to be held as Cabinet is designed to exclude elected members; PFI costs and commitments for schools and street lighting; Security Committee > PFI contracts; Meeting with Spatial Strategy re some local input especially the 'arc' and Northampton City Status? + MKC 2050 vision document; Has some grant money (criteria); Spatial Strategy Chair report > Chairman/clerk/KP to be agreed

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

- Gigaclear confirm their attendance at (Feb meeting)
 - WNC Overview and Scrutiny of Tree Policy & Strategy Task and Finish Review > clerk
 - WNC Highways re s136 Urban Grass Mowing 2022 > **RESOLVED** to approve
 - The Queens Canopy (Jubilee tree planting > WNC) > clerk to re-circulate proposals
 - Budget and Precept discussion with Chief Finance Officer Helen King 16 Jan 6 – 7.30pm
 - Complaint re Water Close > parking on the grass (damage)
- * Letter to residents agreed as initial response (before enforcement re damage parish land)

8. Planning

(a) Applications

WNS/2021/2116/FUL Conversion of existing garage into children's games room 8 Water Close

* Loss of off street parking an issue given its location

WNS/2021/2049/FUL Vari Cond 2 (Plans) (to amended floor plans and elevations) Hobby Fish Farm, Watling Street * No observations

WNS/2021/2087/CON To approve Cond 3 (architectural detailing) Claremont House 15 London Road * Noted

WNC/2021/1985/SCO Furtho Pit OS is a Scoping application required by the EA decision for **WNC/2021/1628/SCR** Screening opinion (SNC plan AL5 copies circulated)

Update on **WNS/2021/1985/SCO** Land at Furtho Pit; To include Highway Conditions (previously circulated) and a MKC Response with the proposal for the Country Park to form an extension of the Stony Stratford Linear Park managed by MKPT?

* Framptons event 5th Jan from 3.30pm (previously advised) re Furtho Pit proposals > clerk reported as Min:4 In light of which > advice to residents to this attempt at public engagement – Discussed and action agreed (Cllr Pritchard / Chairman > Head of Strategic Planning Committee and to seek the proposed timetable)

- (b) **Decision notices**
- (c) **Enforcement / Appeals**
- (d) **Press Notices**

None

9. 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**

Treasurer's a/c	£15,971.70
Business Inst a/c:	£56,508.00 (+ Late Mowing Grant)
Earmarked Reserves:	£40,133.45
Available Capital:	£32,346.25

- (c) **To Approve Accounts for Payment** (proposed AH seconded LR and carried unanimously)

003621	Clerks Salary:	£965.47 (£844 + 121.47 Petty Cash > see note*)
003622	HMRC:	£211.00 (PAYE)
003623	Cleaner:	£120.00 (MH cleaning)
003624	DNH Contracts:	£207.00 (Environmental Contract > Dec)
003625	Canon UK:	£91.69 (Equip hire)
003626	NetWise UK:	£360.00 (Web fees)
003627	Wave:	£24.65 (MH Water rates)
003628	Karen Cook:	£60.00 (Advent Calendar costs as previously agreed)

Note * Petty Cash includes Book of Condolence / Queens Portrait and duplicate safe key for donated safe for Emergency Planning & Operation London Bridge (+ the above)

- (d) **Review of Finances prior to Budget**

Finance WP Monday 10th January 2022 recommended a rise of 3.6% (£1,980) > £57,000 for approval

10. Street Lighting

New contractor after closure of Aylesbury Mains is A.Hickford Lighting Ltd (Cosgrove)

* List of fees requested and report

(Footway Lamp 5 Falcon Drive /Cosgrove Road; 7 Mounthill Ave (Water in lens cover/ 3 Hawkwell Estate (loose lens cover) to chase costs + 24 Oxfield (loose cowl)

11. Highways

WNC > re Passenham one way proposals > Cllr Ritson advised residents in agreement to consider (copy sent to DPC to gauge previous objection (as consultee < reply confirms opposition (WNC Highways (HH) deal)

Parking/damage issue Parish Land Water Close > Min:7 is in hand

12. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

Passenham > community orchard; St Guthlacs Churchyard trees require inspection

Queens Jubilee celebration > proposals to be considered

13. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 8th February 2022 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm

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**Old Stratford Parish Council
Outstanding Activities
January 2022**

Date	Item	Parish Action	Action by Others
Projects	Canal fencing	Deanshanger Road	Original Metal fencing Under review
Ongoing	WNC Council Surgeries	Suspended UFN	WNC
Ongoing	Allotments	Allocation agreed	Allotments committee running allotments > WC installed
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 Still Under Investigation Unresolved
Ongoing	Blocked drains	When required	Monitoring
SIDs	Installed and working	Data reading available to collate 'One Way?' proposed	Monitoring early responses are positive Supported by OSPC awaits
Highways Tracker	Towcester Road Bus Stop obst'n RAB	> verge repairs OSPC to consider remedy (Report to WNC highways) Markings requested HE funded scheme	Maintenance carried out but already damaged by residents and delivery vehicles <i>resolution sought</i> > <i>parking regs option?</i> (NCC) Small works agreed > chase Improvements completed some safety issues remain > A508
Ongoing	Dog Fouling Litter	<i>Continues on verges and Playing Field - but better</i>	Monitor after additional signs in place > ongoing (Newsletters)
Review	Post Office	Clerk had liaised support with Bridge Stores re 'return' of PO * Londris (supports)	Positive response awaits outcome with PO (negative) - Still No progress despite shop expansion Request for PO counter awaits Disabled bay required by WNC
Ongoing	St Guthlac's	Churchyard maintenance (In addition to regular mowing)	Tree work ongoing Maintenance is reviewed
Ongoing	Hall Close	Old Canal issues	NFA > Awaits WNC advice tree work POS rear of Hall Close completed: Water flow test

Note: Most outstanding issue put on hold due to Covid19 & last Lockdown