

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on 10th February 2009 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr R Whittaker (in the chair), Mrs B Bucknell, Mr B Clayton, Mrs S Harris, Mr D MacDonald, Mr A Pateman, Mr G Rogers, Mrs P Stevenson & Dr L Ward;
Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk), Cllr Mobaraki (SNC) and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs S Tomlinson (family issues), Mr T Searle by way of resignation (notice posted), Mr A Walker (NCC)(Kingsbrook School Governors Meeting) & Helen Howard (NCC Highways) (report submitted > Min:4(f))

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

None

3. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 13th January 2009

Minutes of the meeting held 13th January 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) Arboreal Work re Hall Close boundary Minute 4(a)

Work commenced Feb 9th. Risk Assessment & Methodology noted > copy to requesting resident

(b) Chapmans Drive play area extension Minute 4(b)

Awaits meeting of General Purpose WP to examine scheme > Friday 13th Feb @ 5.15pm

(c) CPRE Northants Minute 10(a)

Cllr Ward unable to attend 14 Jan EM/MK Area Expansion South & West Northants District
* Report awaits

(d) Memorial Hall Update

Further floor repairs - Fire Risk Assessment has been carried out by Cllr Pateman (with recommendations) > for file and action

* Quotes received on recommendations > General Purpose WP 13 Feb after 4(b)

(e) Website Update

Advice on electronic invoicing > by PDF noted

(f) Meeting with NCC / MGWSP Minute 1 & 13(various)

Cllr Pateman and clerk met with both officers – NCC E-mail report short on detail > clerk to deal

5. Outstanding Activities (circulated with the Agenda)

Discussed and updated General Purpose WP deals outstanding issues > Report nb

6. Report on Litter survey Cllrs Harris & Ward

Report circulated and recommendations discussed > Report noted and copied to SNC

7. Parish Plan Discussion Document circulated with the Agenda

Outlined by Cllr Ward who recommended 2 stage approach - Discussed and agreed > to be copy to website and newsletter. Cllr Pateman agreed to contact Rachel Abbott N/ACRE on the proposals

8. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item

9. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) Cllr Mobaraki (SNC)

Report submitted (attached to the Minutes) on Case Work (Conservation Areas, Noise & Pollution – Passenham, Travellers, Village Needs following PO closure, Economic development and Anti-Social Behaviour), Planning and other issues including ‘More money for youth projects up for grabs’. Also formal SNC report on Autorama Car Wash concerns

(b) Cllr A Walker (NCC)

Not present - no reports

10. Planning

(a) Applications Received

S/2009/0035/P Attached garage to side 14 Willow Grove

* No objection

(b) Permission Granted / Refused / Recommendations to Committee

Permit – Change of use of existing permission to subdivision etc. OS Local Centre, Falcon Drive

Withdrawn – Retention of aggregate for car park opposite The Mill, Passenham (awaits new App)

(c) Enforcement / Appeals

None

11. Press Notices

None

12. Correspondence (list at meeting)

*** (a) NCC Chief Planning Officer**

Passenham Liaison Meeting > rescheduled for Tuesday 24th Feb 4.30pm OSMH

* The clerk, Cllrs Whittaker, Harris and Mobaraki attend

*** (b) NorthamptonshireACRE**

Village of the Year / Churchyard of the Year Competition > NFA

*** (c) SNC Play Project Co-ordinator**

Big Lottery Children’s Play Initiative Programme: Mobile Project > circulated for decision

(d) MKC Conservation Officer

Lower Weald CA Review result (edge opposite Passenham Lane now reduced) > noted for file

*** (e) Woodland Trust**

Trees for all – Registration of Event > circulated for info and decision

(f) NCC Planning Policy

Submission of NCC Minerals Development DPD / Waste Development DPD as part of the MWDF

* Noted for file (Proposals circulated) - Customer Survey > clerk

(g) Arnold Thomson Solicitors

Councils Solicitors advise the formal completion of POS Transfer Chapmans Drive. Copy of Land Registry Transfer to OSPC as Freehold Owner > noted for file (Original held by Solicitors)

(h) West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit

Local development Scheme for West Northamptonshire > circulated for info

*** (i) Tim Boswell MP**

Advice on Surgery Dates @ SNC 5 – 7pm 3/4, 8/5, 3/7 & 9/10 - For Appointments > 01604 859721

* Circulated - Poster > nb, Website and next newsletter

(j) Community Safety Panel

Meeting minutes circulated for info - Date of next meeting amended to Wed 11th March

*** (k) SLCC / NALC**

Local Government Working Together Conference (towards the proposed Empowering People and Communities in Control) @ MKC Friday 24th April 9 – 4pm. Delegate Registration by 16 March. (£50 / reductions for 2 or more candidates) - circulated > Attendees tba next meeting

13. Finance

(a) The Council to approve budgetary control to date (with Agenda)

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

(b) The Current State of Finance (Excluding Commuted Sums / Nationwide a/c's)

Treasurer's a/c:	£78.71
Business Call a/c:	£25,253.14 (Incl: OSCH Donation for Carpets)
Earmarked Reserves:	£16,259.12 (includes MH income)
Available Capital =	£9,072.73

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

001566	Clerks Stipend:	£622.00
001567	HM Revenue & Customs:	£197.04 (Income Tax + NIC)
001568	Petty Cash:	£22.54
001569	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
001570	ACS:	£10.00 (MH Windows)
001571	AH Contracts:	£80.27 (Dog Bins > Bloor Homes invoiced)
001572	M Davis:	£1,514.78 (MH floor repairs / fit storage heater)
001573	MH-P:	£224.25 (Web maintenance)
001574	CosPC:	£47.00 (SLCC Annual subs 50%)
001575	E.ON:	£92.02 (MH Electric)

14. Street Lighting

No reports

15. Highways

(a) Tipping reported has been cleared

(b) Gateway to Blackhorse Field > rubble tipped affecting mowing contractor

(c) Syringe found by teen shelter > noted, Police to be informed

15 Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

(a) Highways Officer / MGWSP Manager > to next meeting

(b) Environmental Protection Officer re Falcon Drive

(c) Recommendations / Result of General Purpose WP Meeting Friday 13th

16. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 10th March 2009 commencing at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.29pm