

Old Stratford Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE OLD STRATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on 14th July 2009 at the Memorial Hall, 2 Deanshanger Road

Present:

Cllrs Mr A Pateman (in the chair), Mrs B Bucknell, Mr B Clayton, Mr P Philbrick, Mr G Rogers, Mrs P Stevenson, & Dr L Ward

Also present were Mr D Everett (Clerk) - No members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mr D MacDonald (Holiday), Mrs S Tomlinson (Work commitment) Mr R Whittaker (unwell) Mrs L Mobaraki (SNC)(Sudden Family Illness) & Mr A Walker (NCC)(School Governors Meet)

Note: The Chairman advised that if aspiring for Quality Council Status, absenteeism without apologies should be noted > unanimously carried

2. Casual Vacancy to be filled by Co-option

3. Declaration of Acceptance

No applicants > display Casual Vacancy on other nb's and shop

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

Cllr Ward non prejudicial interest on S/2009/0574/LB & 0575/P. Applicant is an acquaintance

5. To Sign and Approve Minutes of the Meeting dated 9th June 2009

Minutes of the meeting held 9th June 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record

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

(a) E.ON New Memorial Hall Business Plan Minute 10(m)

Noted from 19/9 new rates negotiated SC £28.80 pq > £20.21 : Unit price 10.51p per kWh > 7.89p

(b) Complaint to NCC/Police Minute 13(b)

NCC response (see Min:12 (d)) via Area Manager > request for E-mail details of proposals including narrowing of the junction / Police response (see Min:12(j)) Local Police CST visited the clerk + E-mail formal response

Note: N/R yet from NCC re conflicting reports MKC -v- NCC re River Bridge crossing

(c) Highway Issues Minute 13(d) & (e)

Overgrown hedge Towcester Road / Mounthill Ave cut back by owners & RS11 rear of Saab
Garage fallen tree removed by land owner

(d) Passenham Gravel Liaison Meeting

Held 7th July on site – main topic was issue of reinstatement (infill material lacking could delay completion by 2 – 3 years > Original small lakes advanced for support)

* Discussed – Chairman spoke on the item and the consensus at that meeting as inert fill was in short supply. It was agreed to canvas Passenham residents before writing in support CEMEX / MKC

7. Outstanding Activities (circulated with the Agenda)

Updated. PAP meeting dates for September (Former VC commitment?) - Village Gateway proposal added to Highway issues - Passenham NB deferred awaiting CEMEX? – SIDs Proposed Cllr Ward seconded Cllr Rogers and RESOLVED that 2 x SIDs be purchased

8. Public Speaking Time

Meeting closed for this item – no public present

9. District & County Councillor Reports

(a) **Cllr Mobaraki (SNC)**

(b) **Cllr A Walker (NCC)**

Apologies – no reports

10. Planning

(a) **Applications Received**

S/2009/0614/P Change of use from agricultural land to car park, including the laying of hard surface (Retrospective) Land opposite Mill Cottage, Passenham Lane, Passenham

* Proper application now received albeit Retrospective - No further comments

S/2009/0574/LB Change of use, removal of lean-to garage and extension of outbuilding/garage to ancillary accommodation and garage: including sub division of outbuilding to create kitchen and toilet. 15 London Road

* Whilst PPG15 applies. It is assumed that it is ancillary accommodation to the LB and the consensus therefore is that there is no objection

S/2009/0575/P Renovation and extension of detached garage/outbuilding. 15 London Road

* Subject to the LB consent we have no further comments

(b) **Permission Granted / Refused / Recommendations to Committee**

Withdrawn Relax condition to convert and part extend garage 9 Wheelwrights Way

Permit – Two storey rear extension 29 Oxfield Park Drive

Permit Single storey extension rear of 97 Deanshanger Road

(c) **Enforcement / Appeals**

1 Mounthill Ave – extension previously refused (incongruous to the street scene) being built on the original single storey application > Noted

11. Press Notices

None

12. Correspondence (list at meeting)

* (a) **NCC Highway Reps Volunteers Coordinator**

Outgoing Coordinator instruction to new Representative Scheme – Questionnaire and request for regular VH Hall venue - Further letter requesting details of Highway Rep / Tree Warden / Parish Path Warden > by the clerk

* (b) **CPRE**

Subscription renewal @ £29 unanimously approved

* (c) **NCC Design Technician**

Proposals (as agreed) for siting the Puffin Crossing Towcester Road and the removal of speed table of Mounthill Ave at the junction – any adverse comments before 25th July > Plan for nb

* (d) **NCC Chief Executive**

2 replies to letter of complaint re non-compliance of Highway Regulations (copied to Police)
Read > See Min:6(b)

(e) Aylesbury Vale DC

Proposed submission Core Strategy as consultee > noted for file

(f) NCC Highways Performance Improvement Officer

Top 10 Local Priorities > circulated for info and file

*** (g) Arnold Thomson Solicitors**

Firs Farm Transfer of Open Space – covering letter read > further signatories required due to change in LR format (Bloor's had delayed signature despite Commuted Sum transfer)

* Cllr Whittaker and clerk to sign

(h) Central Networks

Error found on Unmetered Supply costs > confirmation that E.ON have been notified

* Awaits amended billing or rebate

(i) SNC Finance

Rate bills for Memorial Hall and Football Ground > Zero rating confirmed > for file

*** (j) Northants Police T/Chief Constable**

Letter of complaint acknowledged fully report later > See Min:6(b))

*** (k) West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit**

Emergent Core Strategy consultation from 16 July - 27 August

* Circulated for info and comment next meeting

*** (l) N/CALC**

Notification of AGM Wednesday 14th October Moulton Village Hall – Nomination and Qs

* Cllr Whittaker nomination for County Committee and attendees

*** (m) NCC Highway Adoption Technician**

Cedar Close development request for adoption approval > PL certificates (2 x PLs) requested now received and

(n) Highways Agency

Area 8 loses north of OSRAB to reorganised Area 7 > noted for file

(o) MKC

New Consult password > noted for file

(p) Rural Services Network

Impact of the recession on rural housing – A report later > noted for file

(q) NCC Waste Campaign Officer

'Give or Take Days' guide for community recycling – swap etc.> for next newsletter

*** (r) East Midlands Regional Assembly**

Regional Plan Partial Review: Options Consultation > response by 6 October

* CDR circulated for comments next meeting (Circulation file to be returned for August meeting)

13. Finance

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

* **RESOLVED** to approve by unanimous decision.

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

Treasurer's a/c:	£74.23
Business Call a/c:	£21,594.76
Earmarked Reserves:	£13,877.02 (includes MH income)
Available Capital =	£7,791.97

Proposed by Cllr Clayton seconded Cllr Rogers and unanimously carried for approval

(c) The Payment of outstanding accounts listed below

001628	Clerks Stipend:	£637.26
001629	Petty Cash:	£34.63
001630	HMRC:	£200.24 (I/Tax + Employer NIC)
001631	Cleaner:	£85.00 (MH / RG litter pick)
001632	ACS:	£10.00 (MH Windows inside and out)
001633	NJ Blackwell:	£636.18 (Mowing/maintenance)
001634	British Gas:	£103.19 (MH Gas)
001635	LexisNexis:	£59.05 (Latest Edition LGA 50% CosPC)
001636	Allianz Insurance Plc:	£220.95 (Fidelity Increase cover)
001637	Green Thumbs:	£968.00 (Playing Field Maintenance)
001638	Aylesbury Mains Ltd:	£80.69 (Repairs PLs 5 Dickens Dr & 9 Deanshanger Rd)
001639	CPRE:	£29.00 (Annual Subs Min:12(b))
001640	Canon UK:	£175.71 (Equipment Hire)
001641	AH Contracts:	£134.69 (Dog Bin Contract)

(d) To Approve Investment of Commuted Sums

Deferred to the end of the meeting

14. Street Lighting

- (a) PL 1 Hawkwell Estate ooo

15. Highways

- (a) On going issue of subsidence raised by OSPC London Road near Oxfield Park Drive and complaint from adjacent properties appears to have achieved results as area marked for repair
- (b) Cllr Bucknell (PPW) Footpath report submitted for file > NCC and circulated for info
- (c) Resident complaint via E-mail re uncut verges in Chapmans Drive > on contract
- (d) Chapmans Drive Cul-de-sac sets still missing and loose
- (e) Falcon Drive > SNC request to enforce again > OSPC maintenance option for next meeting

16. Councillor Questions and Items for Next Agenda

- (a) Complaint of unauthorised quad bike access to POS & footpaths via fence damage (28 Oxfield Park) > The clerk spoke on advise - action TBA
- (b) Request from Cllr Tomlinson for 'The Parish Councillors Guide' > how many more copies (+ 1 for ANOTHER)
- (c) Disposal of Pool Tables > Primary School again

17. Date of Next Meetings

Tuesday 11th August 2009 commencing at 7.30pm

EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

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

13(d) To Approve Investment of Commuted Sums

Discussed > deferred to next meeting

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.55pm