

**PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council

held on Thursday 24 September 2015

at 7:30 pm in Paulerspury Village Hall, High Street, Paulerspury

**PRESENT:** Mr Barnes (Chairman), Mr Baker, Mrs Sawbridge, Mrs Bartlett, Mr Harvey, Mrs Sawyer, Mr Bloomfield

111/9/15 **APOLOGIES** Apologies were received and accepted from Mrs DeRitter, Mrs Thorburn and Mr Batten

112/9/15 **MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST** *for items on the agenda and update of Interests where required.*

Mr Bloomfield                      Item 117/9/15 a)                      Cheque no. 1979

113/9/15 **TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF 27 August 2015**

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 August 2015 were approved and signed as correct.

114/9/15 **MATTERS ARISING**

101/8/15 Tower of London Poppy      Details regarding the plaque. Mr Barnes

It was resolved that all requirements, sought by the Diocesan Chancellor, appertaining to the installation of the Tower Poppy had been met. Paulerspury Parochial Church Council would be asked to install the Tower Poppy in St James' Church.

101/8/15 Westy Seat refurbishment –progress

The adaption to the plinth had been carried out and the refurbished seat installed.

107/8/15 Response from PCSO Cooksammy regarding Speed Checks at Heathencote.

Given the narrowness of the Heathencote/Shutlanger road Speed Checks would be difficult to carry out with a degree of safety. Further enquiries would be made by the clerk.

115/9/15 **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Four members of the public were present.

It was reported that the newly installed Dog Bin on Park Lane was much appreciated by dog walkers.

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a) **S/2015/2026/FUL** Mr Dan Richmond Watson Land adjacent Grays Lane

Erection of 2 dwelling houses with associated access

Paulerspury Parish Council had **No Objections** to this application

b) **S/2015/2031/MAF** Mr D Taylor and Son Manor Farm Alderton

Variation of condition 2 (plans) to planning permission **S/2015/0717/MAF** (Anaerobic digestion facility) to permit a larger silage clamp and include enclosures for solids feeding system.

Paulerspury Parish Council were of the opinion that there was insufficient information provided regarding this application. The plans were unclear as to what the effect of the suggested variation would be. Therefore, the Parish Council felt they were unable to make a rational decision on the application.

c) **S/2015/2032/FUL** Mrs R de Courcy Ireland Hillcrest Careys Road Pury End

Take down existing house and garage block and build new house and garage on existing site. Also Notification of opportunity to attend Development Control Committee

Paulerspury Parish Council had **No Objections** to this application.

Mr Hobson, architect to Mrs de Courcy Ireland, explained to the Council that the wording of the application would be corrected by SNC to show that the garage would not be demolished.

d) **S/2015/1437/FUL** Mr P Davey Turner 40 Tews End Lane Paulerspury

Single storey oak framed garden room extension to side

**SNC APPROVED**

e) **S/2015/1579/FUL** Mr A Hampshire (South Northants Homes) 2 Longcroft Lane Paulerspury.

Rear extension to create a 2 storey lift enclosure and wheelchair turning space.

**SNC APPROVED**

f) **S/2015/1598/OUT** Mr and Mrs P Masters 14 Tews End Lane Paulerspury  
One dwelling (Outline)

**SNC APPROVED**

g) S/2015/1632/PA Mr and Mrs Wilkes Brook Cottage High Street Paulerspury Barn off Cuttle Mill Lane Pury End Paulerspury

Determination as to whether prior approval is required (under Class Q of Part 3 of the above Order) for the change of use of an agricultural building to a dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) in respect of: the transport and highways impacts of the development; noise impacts of the development, contamination risks on the site; flooding risks on the site; whether the siting and location of the buildings makes it impractical or undesirable to change the use; and the design and external appearance of the building.

**SNC Grant of Approval Confirmation that Prior Approval of the Local Planning Authority IS REQUIRED.**

117/9/15 **FINANCE**

a) To receive August 2015 accounts, budget position and to approve payment of outstanding accounts.

			£
1972	T/A Mower Man	Spinalls repair	60.00
1973	Paulerspury Village Hall	Hall Hire	17.00
1974	M Down	Salary/Mileage/Office	508.43

The accounts budget position and payments were approved. Also approved was payment to:

1975	Data Protection – Registration Renewal fee	£35.00 <sup>1</sup>
1976	CoDe Development – Remodelling of the Westy Seat plinth	£1,050 <sup>2</sup>
1977	Cancelled	
1978	N J Blackwell for parish mowing	£236.16
1979	E Bloomfield Fittings, wood and preservative for the Westy Seat	£84.30 <sup>3</sup>

b) To confirm the proposed date of 27 June 2016 for submission of the 2015-2016 accounts. and Public View 3 June -14 July. Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015

The date was confirmed by the Parish Council.

118/9/15 **CORRESPONDENCE**

a) Select Committee on National Policy for the Built Environment. – Call for Written Evidence. Deadline 6 October 2015

Paulerspury Parish Council was of the opinion that it was unable to have any effective engagement with the process of decision making. Barriers are there which makes it powerless.

119/9/15 **NORTHANTS CALC ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AGM 17 OCTOBER 2015**

<sup>1</sup> LGA 1972 s143

<sup>2</sup> LG Misc. Provs. Act 1953 s4

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To confirm Mrs DeRitter as the delegate attending on behalf of Paulerspury Parish Council and to instruct her with regard to any voting matters.

The Council resolved that Mrs DeRitter should be given the power to use her discretion at the meeting when voting on behalf of this Council.

120/9/15 **PARISH HEDGES.**

To consider requesting owners to trim back any overgrowth constituting a danger.

Members put forward hedges which in their opinion needed attention. The clerk would contact the owners.

121/9/15 **PARISH MEETING MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2015 PAULERSPURY VILLAGE HALL 7:00PM**

To confirm arrangements for this meeting which has been called to discuss potential improvements for the Parish.

Councillors would present their information regarding the items requested at the Annual Parish Meeting. Those members of the public present at the meeting would be invited to indicate their preferences and opinions. Catering provision was in hand.

122/9/15 **HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY**

To consider whether there would be any acknowledgement by the Parish Council for either the Queen's actual birthday – 21 April 2016 or the official birthday – 11 June 2016

This topic would be raised at the meeting to be held on 28 September 2015.

123/9/15 **SPINALLS FIELD**

a) To inform the Council of any issues raised via the inspection reports – see Inspection Reports File

The clerk had trimmed off all suckers, redundant restraints and low branches from the trees On Spinalls Field and immediate overgrowth on the Lumber Lane side of the field.

Mr Blackwell had been given the replacement advice signs and poles to site on the field.

Additional quotes would be sought for maintenance work to be carried out on Spinalls Field.

- Fairfield boundary hedge. Trim back the hedge to head height
- Clear away undergrowth to prevent human entrenchment.
- Remove all blackthorn from the hedge to the rear of the Barley Mow.
- Consider laying the hedge on Lumber Lane.

b) To confirm the October 2015 inspection rota. 4/5 SS, 11/12 MH, 18/19 EB, 25/26 RB

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Rota confirmed

c) Towcester Youth Football Club use of Spinalls Field. Update

The clerk had written to Mrs Samiotis (03/09/15) confirming the use but had had no response to date.

d) To consider work to be carried out on the trees bordering with “The Hawthorns” and repairs to “The Hawthorns” fence and satellite dish.

A freak wind had caused a branch on an ash tree situated on the Village Hall/The Hawthorns boundary to swing through 180° into the garden of The Hawthorns. On its way down it damaged a satellite dish and the garden fence. As soon as she was informed of this the clerk made an appointment with Mr P J Hutchings, tree surgeon, to inspect the tree and to seek advice as to the condition and future of this tree.

Mr Hutchings’ advice was that the tree was infected and needed to be taken down. It was resolved by the Parish Council that it would be prudent to take down the other trees situated on the same boundary which were not of particular value aesthetically and of a similar age. The newly planted trees were now of a considerable size as to be seen as features. The clerk would seek quotes for this work. Mr Bloomfield was thanked for removing both fallen branches.

124/9/15 **ROAD MATTERS**

a) To record actions taken by the clerk.

- Signs were erected to ask mourners at a funeral not to park on Church Green. Alternative parking arrangements had been successfully provided.
- Drain near Coppercorn, Plumpton End and at the entrance to Plum Park Lane had been repaired.
- Smell from the A5 footway – site was checked and all pumps are working well. No blockages. Heavy rain could be the culprit.
- Tree works to be carried out on two trees in Pury End on behalf of BT.
- Overhanging branches on Stony Hill cut back and Mr Blackwell would trim higher up to reveal the footway light.
- Church bollard – KierWSP said it was not an option financially to install a lower drain
- Traffic monitoring - Heathencote

Roadside speed checks in 40mph zones are hazardous as as stepping in front of traffic travelling at 45mph+ poses obvious risks. These are normally done by the speed enforcement team with the roadside van. PCSO Cooksammy would speak to the Speed

Enforcement Team and ask that they add the village to their list.

There was reluctance to use residents driveways for speed enforcement as there was the possibility of repercussions against the resident from disgruntled motorists whom had been issued tickets.

The clerk would ask for repairs to Stony Hill road

- Replacement sign for Pury End.
- The obnoxious smell emanating from fields on Road had been reported to Environment at SNC.
- A further stage in the application for the Yellow Line request for Grays Lane had been completed.

b) Update on the Shutlanger road in Heathencote.

Mrs Sawyer

No improvements to date. A resident had visited Northamptonshire Highways Office to complain about the metal signage still cluttering the verges and the Saturday late night traffic. They were advised to contact Highways England.

c) Update on the replacement sign for Pury End.

Tailor-Made Signs quoted £650.00 net for a sign made of oak and Rock Foundry £250.00 net for one in cast aluminium. It was resolved to purchase from Rock Foundry.

125/9/15 **FOOTPATHS**

It had been confirmed via the Definitive Map that RU20 drops directly down onto Tews End Lane. Prices would be obtained for clearing the metalled dog leg.

126/9/15 **MATTERS FOR URGENT ATTENTION AND FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

**29 October 2015 PAULERSPURY VILLAGE HALL 7:30 pm**

The meeting finished at 9.25 pm