

## **PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council**

**held on Thursday 25 September 2014**

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

**PRESENT:** Mr Barnes (Chairman), Mr Brice (Vice Chairman), Mrs Sawyer, Mrs Thorburn, Mr Bloomfield, Dr Hooker, Mr Blackwell, Mr Batten.

**APOLOGIES** (reason for absence to be advised)

Apologies were received from Mrs Sawbridge, Mrs Bartlett and Dr Hooker and accepted by the Council

103/9/14 **MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST** *for items on the agenda and update of Interests where required.*

No declarations were made.

104/9/14 **TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES of 28 AUGUST 2014**

The minutes of 28 August 2014 were approved and signed

105/9/14 **MATTERS ARISING**

90/8/14 **The expedition of the Northamptonshire County Council Mowing Contract**

Matters had been resolved and Mr Blackwell would maintain the grass verge mowing as per the contract held with Paulerspury Parish Council.

90/8/14 **Green waste disposal – new arrangement at the Old Greens Norton site.**

Correspondence had been received regarding the lack of low level trailers for the disposal of green waste. The Parish Council did not consider the responses adequately addressed the issue and would pursue the matter further.

106/9/14 **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Two members of the public were present including District Councillor Mrs Barnes.

Mrs Barnes reported that permission had been granted for a solar farm in Wicken.

Mrs Barnes responded to Mr Brice that the existing pavement on the Old Northampton Road, Towcester had been dug up as part of the new road scheme for the new South Northamptonshire Council offices.

Concerns were expressed at the soil deposited on the A5 near the entrance to Towcester racecourse by the contractors who were constructing the new greyhound race track. The clerk would make enquiries as to whether wheel washing equipment was being used by the lorries exiting the site.

Concerns were expressed regarding the water which, following heavy rainfall, collected in the kerbside edge outside 28 High Street, Paulerspury. The clerk had reported this on previous occasions but, as this case did not meet intervention levels, no action would be taken by the authority.

107/9/14 **PLANNING MATTERS**

a) **S/2014/1536/FUL** Mr N Goodall 13 Longcroft Lane

Two storey side and rear and single storey rear extensions and detached two storey ancillary annexe.

Paulerspury Parish Council had **No Objections** to this application but would prefer the elevation to be in brickwork rather than rendered, in common with the surrounding properties.

b) **S/2014/1541/PA** **Mr R Taylor** Black Barn Heathencote Farm Shutlanger Heathencote

Determination as to whether prior approval is required (under Class MB of Part 3 of the above Order) for the change of use of an agricultural building to three dwelling houses (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

Paulerspury Parish Council did not feel qualified to judge whether this application required prior approval under the new regulations.

c) **Appeal APP/Z2830/A/14/2216712** Land off Grays Lane

Report of the Appeal heard 23-24 September 2014

The Appeal was attended by the chairman of the Parish Council, Parish Councillor Mr Batten, the clerk and many residents. The Appeal had been adjourned to a second session (2-3 December 2014) in order to allow consideration of the expected publication of the Joint Core Strategy and its consequences for the New Local Plan, to hear the remaining witness, Mr Wilbraham, the presentation by Paulerspury Parish Council and summaries from the appellant and SNC.

d) S/2014/1680/MAF Haymaker Energy Limited. Harry Shepherd-Cross Denham Farm Quainton Aylesbury HP22 4AL Land at Homestead Farm located east of the A5 and south of Alderton, (Paulerspury & Grafton Regis Parish) sp735 457

Construction of a photovoltaic solar farm for the generation of electricity, landscaping, transformer housings, access tracks and associated infrastructure

Paulerspury Parish Council had **No Objections** to this application but made the following comments.

1. Transport Statement: Appendix D

The swept-path plots for articulated heavy goods delivery vehicles (HGVs) negotiating the junction of the A5 and Alderton Road (referred to as Pury Road in the Statement) on their way to and from the construction site show that there was no margin for driver error. In all cases the pedestrian traffic refuge and the nearside verges at the mouth of Alderton Road were in danger of being compromised. Vehicles arriving from the Towcester (north) direction also appeared to require much of the width of the start of Alderton Road to the potential detriment of other road users. Vehicles parked on Alderton Road outside the A5 Car Sales and Repairs' premises may impede the passage of construction site delivery vehicles.

In particular, site delivery vehicles arriving from the Milton Keynes (south) direction would be unable to use the right-hand turning lane in the centre of the A5. They were shown as turning right into Alderton Road from the single northbound A5 traffic lane. If southbound A5 traffic prevented an immediate turn, the A5 northbound would be blocked by a stationary HGV for what may be a matter of some minutes.

2. Paulerspury Traffic Surveys (2010 and 2014)

These surveys had shown that the weekday traffic flows on the A5 at Paulerspury were heavy between approximately 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. and again between about 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Accordingly, in view of the second paragraph of item 1 above and in the interests of safety, the Parish Council requested that site deliveries should be made after 9.30 a.m. but no later than 4.30 p.m.

e) Approval of details reserved by condition. **INFORMATION ONLY**

**S/2014/1630/CON D** Mr R Taylor Arch Barn Heathencote Farm Shutlanger Road Towcester (Paulerspury parish)

Condition 4 [Protected Species Mitigation Measures] Application for approval of details submitted pursuant to aforementioned condition of planning permission S/2014/0582/FUL [Conversion of a barn to two holiday lets]

**S/2014/1631/CON D** Mr R Taylor Arch Barn Heathencote Farm Shutlanger Road Towcester (Paulerspury parish)

Condition 5 [Programme of Archaeological Works] Application for approval of details submitted pursuant to aforementioned condition of planning permission S/2014/0582/FUL [Conversion of a barn to two holiday lets]

**S/2014/1632/CON D** Mr R Taylor Arch Barn Heathencote Farm Shutlanger Road  
Towcester (Paulerspury parish)

Condition 6 [Details of Drainage] Application for approval of details submitted pursuant to  
aforementioned condition of planning permission S/2014/0582/FUL  
[Conversion of a barn to two holiday lets]

**S/2014/1633/CON D** Mr R Taylor Arch Barn Heathencote Farm Shutlanger Road  
Towcester (Paulerspury parish)

Condition 7 [Details of construction of new windows and doors] Application for approval of  
details submitted pursuant to aforementioned condition of planning permission  
S/2014/0582/FUL [Conversion of a barn to two holiday lets]

**S/2014/1634/CON D** Mr R Taylor Arch Barn Heathencote Farm Shutlanger Road  
Towcester (Paulerspury parish)

Condition 8 [Refuse storage] Application for approval of  
details submitted pursuant to aforementioned condition  
of planning permission S/2014/0582/FUL [Conversion of  
a barn to two holiday lets]

**S/2014/1635/CON D** Mr R Taylor Arch Barn Heathencote Farm Shutlanger Road  
Towcester (Paulerspury parish)

Condition 9 [Landscaping scheme] Application for approval of details submitted pursuant to  
aforementioned condition of planning permission S/2014/0582/FUL [Conversion of a barn to  
two holiday lets]

f) **S/2014/1302/FUL** Mr and Mrs Dammers Park Hall House Heathencote

Removal of existing timber sheds and replacement with detached double garage and stores  
and formation of vehicular hard standing to Highways verge.

### **SNC APPROVED**

g) **S/2014/1439/FUL** Mr and Mrs C Randell 1 Pury Hill Cottages Alderton Road  
Paulerspury. Re-consultation (amendment) FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Detached garage/store with home office/gym over.

Proposed building moved 4.5m back from front elevation of dwelling (parallel with side  
boundary)

Notice of an appeal against SNC refusal to permit 3 houses behind 41 & 43 Lumber Lane was  
received too late to be included in this agenda. It was resolved that the relevant  
documentation be collated and a response agreed at a special meeting to meet the submission  
deadline of 22 October 2014.

Members were reminded that planning documents must be present at the meeting to which they are relevant.

108/9/14 **FINANCE**

- a) To receive August 2014 accounts, budget position and to approve payment of outstanding accounts.

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1889	Paulerspury Village Hall	Hall Hire	17.00
1890	M Down	Cancelled	
1891	M Down	Salary/Mileage/Office/Spinnals	498.14
1892	N J Blackwell	Mowing & maintenance work	743.76

The accounts and budget position were approved. Payments, as listed, were approved for payment.

- b) Allotments Installation of an approved backflow prevention device  
( Water Supply [Water Fittings] Regulations 1999)

Members agreed that this device should be fitted.

- c) Flag Pole When questioned with regard to the status of this previously mentioned item Mr Batten responded that information would be forthcoming at a later date.

109/9/14 **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Giving Time projects team. Parish Councillor Recruitment Project 2015

To consider that this request should be an agenda item for the October 2014 meeting.

This was agreed.

- b) Enquiry received from Mrs Leadsom MP on behalf of a resident of Paulerspury regarding verge maintenance and parking issues.

The clerk had responded to Mrs Leadsom detailing how the Parish Council protected and managed parish verges. Parking issues had been addressed in conjunction with the Police albeit with little success as powers were negligible in certain circumstances.

110/9/14 **SPINALLS FIELD**

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

- b) To consider the provision of football goal nets

It was commendable that youngsters in the village had purchased a football net. Due to the Parish Council not therefore “having an insurable interest” in their net the Parish Council decided to purchase nets for the goal posts. Goal net prices ranged from £14.00 each upwards

depending on goal mouth size. Mr Blackwell would confirm the size to be ordered.

c) To confirm the October 2014 inspection rota. 5/6 RB,12/13 AH, 19/20 AT, 26/27 NB

Rota confirmed

#### 111/9/14 **ROAD MATTERS**

a) To record actions taken by the clerk.

Some white lining had been carried out in the parish. The clerk had sought assurance that the whole of the existing network of lines and the “SLOW” signs would be completed.

A-one + – contractors with responsibility for the A5 trunk road - would not be pursuing any alterations to the Grays Lane junction with the A5. The clerk had passed this message to MGWSP for possible help.

Various reported pot holes in the outer areas of the parish had been marked for repair.

b) Lumber Lane re-surfacing programme.

Due to major development currently taking place at Kingstons Farm the planned re surfacing (in part) of Lumber Lane would now take place March 2015

#### 112/9/14 **THE OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014**

To consider issues relating to this regulation.

These related to the possible recording of meetings, including self-recording, by the Parish Council, as advised by NCALC and would be considered at a later date.

#### 113/9/14 **MATTERS FOR URGENT ATTENTION AND FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

##### Casual Vacancy

It was with regret that the Council received the resignation of Mr Lydon  
The Casual Vacancy thus caused will be advertised.

- Mr Batten reported a surplus of £250.00 through the sales of the booklet detailing the lives of the people named on the Paulerspury War Memorial. His suggestion that this money should be held in reserves by the Parish Council to be put towards any future work required by the War Memorial was agreed. He was thanked for this donation and for his part in this project.
- It was resolved to commemorate the years 1914-2014 with a ceramic poppy at the Tower of London commemoration *Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red*. 888,246 ceramic poppies were being purchased by public donations and would be planted in the Tower Moat. After 11 November 2014 the poppies would be sent to the purchasers. The Parish Council would seek permission from the Parochial Church Council to place the poppy in St James Church. The cost would be £25.00 (item to be confirmed at the next meeting).

- Mr Blackwell reported that a resident had indicated that a tree in Pury End was overgrowing the highway.

The meeting closed at 9:34 pm