

PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council

held in Paulerspury Village Hall High Street, Paulerspury

Thursday 30 August 2012

PRESENT: Mr Barnes (Chairman), Mr Brice (Vice Chairman), Mr Batten, Mr Bloomfield, Mr Lydon, Mrs Bartlett, Mrs Sawbridge, Mrs Thorburn, Mr Blackwell

270/8/12 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Dr Hooker and accepted by the council

271/8/12 **MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST** *for items on the agenda and update of*
Interests where required

Mrs Sawbridge Item 276/8/12 b)
 Item 283/8/12

Mr Brice Item 279/8/12 b)

272/8/12 **TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26 JULY**
2012

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 July 2012 were approved and signed as correct.

273/8/12 **MATTERS ARISING**

256/7/12 Parish Council Briefing on Proposed Changes to the Draft Joint Core Strategy
Mr Batten

The council's remit was to determine whether the Strategy was "sound" and/or "legally compliant". Within the document however was a key item – when to set the base date for qualifying the percentage of growth factor of new houses a village would be expected to accept. This date would be crucial to the expansion of any village. South Northamptonshire Council (SNC) had yet to determine that date. The clerk was instructed to seek clarification from SNC regarding this matter and to inform Mr Danny Moody of NCALC of our concerns.

The viability of a development was not in the public domain and "Affordable Housing" liability was not clearly defined.

Council comments previously forwarded remained extant.

257/7/12 Parking Issues.

The Police Community Service Officer concluded that, having visited the site in question, those parking were responsible for parking sensibly. Any emergency service vehicle would have the right to gain access forcibly should the need arise.

274/8/12 **LOCALISM ACT 2011 – NEW CODE OF CONDUCT**

a) To confirm all members have signed the new Register of Interests Forms.

Ten members had signed the relevant forms.

b) Non-attendance issues.

There having been a break in attendance of six months continuous, one person therefore automatically ceased to be a member of Paulerspury Parish Council¹. Electoral Services at SNC would be informed and the Casual Vacancy would be advertised in the parish.

275/8/12 **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Present: Three members of the public including District Councillor Mrs Barnes.
Apologies were received from County Councillor Mr Ingram.

Members of the public present raised their concerns regarding the observations and sporadic odorous emissions in relation to the equine incinerator situated to the rear of Kennel Lane. Involvement of the South Northants Council (SNC) Environmental Officer had been positive. The Grafton Hunt was working with Mr Wills (owner of the incinerator) on methods to resolve this matter.

The clerk was instructed to contact the Environmental Officer to ascertain that all checks and measures were in place for this operation. The members of the public were asked to log future occurrences.

276/8/12 **PLANNING MATTERS**

a) **S/2012/0544/MAF** Towcester Racecourse Company
 Towcester Racecourse London Road Towcester

Variation of conditions 12 and 14 (S2011/1219/MAF) to allow the use of the approved track and lighting for greyhound racing, up to three times in any calendar week between the hours of 18:00 and 23:30, at least one of which will be Saturday.

SNC APPROVED

¹ LGA 1972, s85 (1) and (2)

b) **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78**

S/2011/0088/MAF Mr R Taylor Manor Farm Pury Road Alderton.

Replace existing grain store with a new building that will store grain in one half and house a biomass fuelled power plant in the other half.

Appeal Reference: APP/Z2830/A/11/2163057/NWF

Representations to be made by 4th September 2012

Paulerspury Parish Council would wish to be represented at this hearing. A small group of councillors would convene with representatives of Alderton Parish Meeting to consider a joint strategy.

Mr Bloomfield had forwarded the details of an expert in this field who would be approached to assist the council.

c) **S/2012/0959/EXT** Mr P Masters 14 Tews End Lane Paulerspury

Extension of time to implement outline planning permission S/2009/0712/OUT New dwelling (Outline)

The council had **no objections** to this application

d) **S/2012/0154/MAO** South Northants Council Towcester
Land off Grays Close Paulerspury

Construction of 10 houses

The council would ask SNC for a deferment of this application to the October meeting of the Development Control Committee as the council's previous comments to the application had not been acknowledged in the planning officer's report to the committee.

e) Village Confines To consider current status.

The working party would reconvene to consider Pury End. Once all the parish had been examined recommendations would be formulated. An Open Meeting would then be held for residents to consider the recommendations and to comment on them.

f) CPRE Road Show 20 November 2012

Suggestions for the programme Dr Hooker and Mr Bloomfield

Suggestions forwarded by Dr Hooker and Mr Bloomfield were adopted as comments from Paulerspury Parish Council. These would be sent to the Northamptonshire branch of the CPRE.

g) **S/2012/0520/FUL Land between 39 and 45 Lumber Lane**

Development Control Committee Meeting 6 September 2012.

Council resolved to allow the chairman, Mr Barnes, to decide whether to attend and speak to the meeting. When Mr Barnes, had read the officer’s report on the application he would make the decision

FINANCE

- a) To receive July 2012 accounts, budget position and to approve payment of outstanding accounts.

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| 1717 | Paulerspury Village Hall | Hall Hire | 16.50 |
| 1718 | Anglian Water | Allotment | 22.78 |
| 1719 | Paul’s Pury Services | To attaching notice board | 15.00 |
| 1720 | The Information Commissioner | Renewal fee Z2373351 | 35.00 |
| 1721 | M Down | Salary/Office/Mileage | 492.71 |
| 1722 | D Batten | Photocopying | 7.50 |
| The council resolved to approve the accounts for July 2012 and resolved payment of the outstanding accounts. | | | |

- b) To confirm an amendment to the Financial Regulations to reflect the latest account and audit regulations.

The council resolved to confirm an amendment to the Financial Regulations to reflect the latest account and audit regulations. – Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 (S1 2011/817), which came into force on 31 March 2011

- c) To consider an amendment to the current mowing contract

The council resolved to include Newbolt Close, Paulerspury.

Mr Blackwell was also asked to trim back the shrub overgrowth on Stony Hill.

CORRESPONDENCE

Wind Turbines and the U K Planning System - Invitation to attend a meeting Friday 7th September, 6.30pm – 8pm iCon Environmental Innovation Centre Eastern Way, Daventry

Mrs Thorburn and the clerk would attend this meeting

SPINNALS FIELD

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

Mr Chris Newman had kindly offered to supply soil to fill in the trench near the Pre School outside play area.

- b) Repairs to Spinnals Field wall and installation of the Queen Elizabeth II Field plaque. To consider Mr Matthew Brice’s quotes

Mr Brice would be asked to quote for installing the stone name plate in the centre of the wall.

- c) To consider the stone name plate.

It was resolved that the name on the stone should be “SPINALLS FIELD”. This would reflect the correct spelling of the benefactor. Fields in Trust were in agreement with this wording. The Land Registry would be advised of the alteration in the spelling of the name. An item would be placed in the Newsletter to explain this action.

- d) To consider the protection of the supporting cables Lumber Lane end of field.

Having considered fencing as an alternative to the current situation the council resolved to trim back the vegetation and to continue to maintain it thus in the future.

- e) Selection, finance and installation of senior goal posts.

The clerk would obtain quotes to be considered at the 27 September 2012 meeting of the parish council.

- f) To consider the damage to the junior pull-up bars.

Efforts would be made to repair the damage otherwise a new bar would be purchased.

- g) To confirm the September 2012 inspection rota. 2/3 AT, 9/10 SB, 16/17 BL, 23/24 JB 30/1Oct RB Rota confirmed

ROAD DEFECTS

The Clerk

- i) Potholes reported.

The junction of the High Street with Lumber Lane.
Cuttle Mill - kerb side edge
Brook Cottage, High Street - kerb side edge.

- ii) Missing Anglian Water meter cover, High Street, replaced

- iii) Residents had been asked via a note in the Newsletter to cut back hedge overgrowth

where it endangered road users. Where necessary, letters would be sent to remind owners of their obligations.

iv) Rights of Way NCC would be contacted regarding damage to tree roots alongside footpath RU3

v) Mr O'Dell had contacted AOne+ (managing agents for the A5) to complain about the overgrowth which had been obscuring the vision splay at the end of Grays Lane leading to the A5. This matter had already been reported to AOne+ by the clerk. The clerk would contact AOne+ and County Councillor, Mr Ingram, for confirmation of the specifications regarding the maintenance of vision splays. Mr O'Dell would be thanked for his actions.

281/8/12 **THE PRESERVATION OF VERGES AND BOUNDARY WALLS**

To consider possible bollard locations

Mr Barnes

Verge locations considered were: verges adjacent to 1 and 3 Lumber Lane, 41-47 High Street and Spinalls Field. A meeting had been arranged with Ms H Howard, Community Liaison Officer (Highways) South Northants & Wellingborough, NCC for 19 September 2012. The council's preferred design for bollards would be short wooden posts.

282/8/12 **DOG WASTE BINS**

To consider provision costings and suggestions for locations of dog waste bins.

A quote had been received for the provision of two dog waste bins - £440.00 net of VAT. The cost of emptying a bin - £2.00 per week per bin. Decision deferred to the meeting to be held on 27 September 2012.

283/8/12 **EQUINE CREMATION FACILITY**

To consider the result of the survey

See **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS.**

284/8/12 **LAMP POST ANNUAL REVIEW** To allocate.

Dr Hooker would be approached to undertake this task.

285/8/12 **THE VILLAGE WEBSITE** To consider future management

Mr Paul Smith had relinquished his post as manager of the village web site. A letter of thanks would be sent to him for his valuable help. An item would be placed in the Newsletter asking for a volunteer to take his place.

286/8/12 **MATTERS FOR URGENT ATTENTION AND FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

a) A letter of thanks would be sent on behalf of the parish council to United Reformed Church minister, Reverend Sue Litchfield who was retiring to Dorset.

b) A request had been received for a seat to be placed near the Pury End-Northampton bus stop. Prices would be obtained for a seat.

c) Mr Ajit Negandhi had taken photographs of the Paulerspury Diamond Jubilee 2012 celebrations. These would be shown at an evening event to be held October/November and would be accompanied by refreshments. There would be no charge for this event as there were still funds remaining from the village collection.

287/8/12

DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2012 7:30 pm PAULERSPURY VILLAGE HALL

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:36 pm