

PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council

held on Thursday 27 April 2017

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

PRESENT: Mrs Sawyer (Chairman), Mr Barnes, Mr Baker, Mrs Bartlett, Mrs DeRitter, Mr Harvey, Mrs Sawbridge.

46/4/17 a) **ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Mr Batten, Mr Boothman and Mr Bloomfield and were accepted by the Council. Mr Batten had tendered his resignation from the Council effective from 30 April 2017.

46/4/17 b) **CO-OPTION TO PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL¹**

Two candidates came forward for the single co-option vacancy. Via a confidential paper vote Mrs Fish was the successful candidate

47/4/17 **MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST** *for items on the agenda and update of Interests where required.*

Mrs Sawyer Item 51/4/17g)

48/4/17 **TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING FOR 30 March 2017**

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed.

49/4/17 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE MINUTES**

37/3/17 **District Councillor Mrs Barnes regarding the return of the cattle to Towcester Water Meadows**

Mrs Barnes had ascertained that there was no immediate plan for a return of the cattle.

40/3/17 **Response received from Northamptonshire Highways Agency (NHA) regarding Westy Road ditches**

NHA would be contacting the adjacent land owner

43/3/17 **Plot 7 and Plot 8 on the Allotment site regarding tenancy.**

Plots 7&8 would be re joined to form a single plot.

¹ LGA 1972 s89 (6)

44/3/17 Westy Seat placement

Due to the fact that cattle would be using the field through which RU14 runs it was decided to consider placing the seat alongside RU 11. Adjacent landowner to be contacted by the clerk.

50/4/17 **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Comments are welcome from those attending the meeting. The total time allowed for this item is 15 minutes with a maximum of 3 minutes per speaker. Further public comment during the meeting is permissible only at the invitation of the Chairman.

Five members of the public were present. Apologies had been received from District Councillor Mrs Barnes.

There were no issues raised.

51/4/17 **PLANNING MATTERS**

a) S/2017/0849/PA Mrs D Wilkes Normandy Barn High Street 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 1 No. 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 building makes it impractical or undesirable to change the use; and the design and external appearance of the building.

The access gives cause for concern on this narrow stretch of road. The Parish Council would ask that NHA be consulted.

b) S/2017/0363/FUL Mr S Feven Land adjacent to Little Farm 15 Lower Street Pury End

Change of use of land from agricultural to residential and creation of new driveway and parking spaces for Little Farm

Paulerspury Parish Council **OBJECTED** to this application

The site was outside the Village Confines and was therefore classified as Open Countryside. Residential development would not be in accordance with saved Local Plan policies

Careys Road was very narrow and additional residential development exiting on to Careys Road would be unsuitable.

Should permission be given to this application it could set a precedent to other applications which lie outside the Village Confines.

c) S/2017/0995/FUL Mr Edward and Mrs Joanne Phipps Willow Cottage, 2 Kings Lane Pury End

First Floor side & front extension, replace garage flat roof with pitched roof

Paulerspury Parish Council had **NO OBJECTIONS** to this application.

- d) S/2017/0264/FUL 15 Lumber Lane Paulerspury **SNC REFUSED**
- e) S/2017/0395/FUL 8 Careys Road Pury End **SNC APPROVED**
- f) S/0418/FUL Pury Hill Farm Alderton Road Paulerspury **SNC APPROVED**

g) Local Plan Part 2. Report on the meeting held at South Northamptonshire Council to discuss Part 2. Mr J Barnes

See notes attached to the minutes.

Concerns were raised regarding the impact on Heathencote residents should there be further development of Towcester Race Course, as referred to in the Local Plan Part 2. The proposal referred to a Leisure and Sports Village at Towcester Racecourse. This proposal would allow for the further enhancement of the existing horse/ greyhound racing facilities including Animal Care/ Events/ Leisure uses, including new high quality retail restricted to country sport, food and leisure uses. The Proposal would also allow for sports/ leisure provision including new facilities for sports including for example dedicated gymnastics and squash facilities and a golf driving range and hotel development. This development whilst in Paulerspury Parish would be outside existing Confines.

Mr Barnes would head up a Working Group to assess current Confines.

h) DESIGN GUIDE SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

South Northamptonshire Council is consulting on a new Design Guide which seeks to update the Council's existing guidance on issues regarding design, heritage, landscape and the built environment within the District.

Mr Bloomfield would be asked to consider this document and respond on behalf of the Parish Council.

i) Gargantuan Northampton Central –Ashfield Land's 'Rail Central' and Roxhill's 'Northampton Gateway' To consider the development proposals both of which are in contravention of the West Northants Joint Core Strategy.

Paulerspury Parish Council would not support this proposed development.

j) No 46 High Street Paulerspury. Response from Mr Smith the Enforcement Officer.

A view would be taken on the overall appearance of the works when the windows have been added.

52/4/17 **FINANCE**

a) To receive APRIL. 2017 accounts, budget position and to approve payment of outstanding accounts.

Chq. No	Payee	Account details	£
2157	NCALC	Subscription	619.30

2158	Paulerspury Village Hall	Hall Hire	36.00
2159	Paul's Pury Services	Parish Maintenance	111.72
2160	M Down	Office/Salary/Mileage	692.84
DD	SSE	Electricity	195.83
2161	M Down	Website	19.50
2162	Benchstop	Allotment Notice Board	240.00
2163	Benchstop	Community Shelter	9360.00

The accounts and budget figures were received and payment of the outstanding accounts was approved. Also approved: 2164 Artisan Postboxes and Signs £120.00 Village Sign, 2165 N J Blackwell £725.10 Mowing and 2166A H Contracts £24.00 Dog Waste Services

b) To consider additions to the current Insurance Policy.

The Parish Council resolved to add the Community Shelter to the current insurance schedule.

c) Internal Control

Mr R Baker

Mr Baker reported that all matters were sound.

d) To approve the Reserve figures for the year 2017-2018 and to confirm Sections 1 and 2 of the Statement of Accounts 2016 – 2017

Councillors had copies of the Receipts and Payments for 2016-2017 and a copy of the Reserve

Figures. Approval of these figures was confirmed and the chairman and clerk signed the Annual Return.

e) To consider the completion of the lighting renewal scheme.

The Clerk would ascertain the current figure of the New Homes Bonus held by SNC.

f) To consider future banking arrangements.

Due to the forthcoming closure of the Towcester branch of the NatWest Bank the Parish Council accounts would be transferred to the Stony Stratford branch.

53/4/17 CORRESPONDENCE

a) ERTA Voluntary Transport To consider supporting this petition.

This scheme would not affect this parish.

54/4/17 SPINALLS FIELD

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

- The Community Shelter was being well used.
 - Anti pigeon devices required for the senior swings. Mr Baker would apply cable ties.
 - South Northants Homes not responding to requests regarding removal of the stumps to the rear of a Fairfield property and the builder's bag on Lumber Lane. The Clerk would visit their office in Towcester.
- b) To confirm the May 2017 inspection rota. April 30/1 MH, 7/8 EB, 14/15 RB, 21/22 IB,
28/29 HD

Rota confirmed

c) **Environmental Protection Act 1990 Part 111**
Antisocial Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014
Complaint Alleging Nuisance Arising from Noise
Spinalls Playing Field, High Street, Paulerspury

Notification of a complaint received by South Northamptonshire Council regarding alleged noise nuisance from the zip wire.

The complainant had been advised to monitor the site for one month for evidence of noise nuisance.

55/4/17 **ROAD MATTERS**

- a) To record actions taken by the clerk.
- Request for pothole repairs on Longcroft Lane.
 - Exposed ironwork on Grays Lane manhole cover reported
 - A5 Rubbish collection carried out by SNC.
 - Dr's Green Telephone box cleaned
 - New Definitive Map received
 - Openreach responding with work re instatement programme for Swan Lane Bridge 15.05.17
 - Mr Brian Lydon will be liaising with the HA with regard to his forthcoming lay by installations and their road works.
 - NCC and HE re the sign site. BT (Neighbouring Landowner) have responded that they have no objections
 - New litter bin requested for Grays Lane
 - Removal of dumped fridge on Longcroft Lane requested
 - Yellow builder's bag (SN Homes) Lumber Lane reported to SNC having had no response from SN Homes
 - Bonfire to the rear of Grays Close reported to SNC Environment.
 - Notices placed around Pury End seeking slower speeds
 - Paperwork sent off to HA re planting scheme for the parish. No response received to date.

b) **Comments from the "Litter Pick"**.

Polite Notices placed on Cuttle Mill Lane and Westy Road requesting that people take home their rubbish have been quite successful.

c) To consider additional work on the Westy Road bus shelter.

Councillors resolved that the work commissioned was adequate.

56/4/17 **ALLOTMENTS**

a) To consider banning the use of Metaldehyde based slug pellets on allotment plots.

Councillors resolved that use of the above slug pellets would be banned.

b) Confirmation of content to be displayed on the notice board.

The meeting resolved that the allotment rules should be displayed on the notice board with the addition of:

No dogs allowed on this site other than those of the tenant.

The tenant must ensure that his/her dog is on a lead at all times and the dog is only allowed on the tenant's plot.

Please keep the gate closed at all times

Please do not dump allotment waste over the fence

57/4/17 **MATTERS FOR URGENT ATTENTION OR FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

- Mrs Bartlett and Mrs DeRitter would remove the ivy from 2 trees situated at the junction of Fairfield Road with Lumber Lane
- Requests for picnic tables for Spinalls Field

25 May 2017 PAULERSPURY VILLAGE HALL 7:30 pm

The meeting closed at 9:19 pm

Local Plan Part 2A: Preferred Options (Part 1 from WNJCS)
SNC Briefing Meeting at The Forum, Towcester – 5 April 2017

There will be a formal public 10-week consultation seeking comments on the Local Plan – starting in June 2017. Current draft of the Plan is on the SNC website.

Key Points

1. Confines for District's villages have been reviewed by SNC – parishes (including Paulerspury) need to let SNC know of any objections before June. Any agreed changes before June will be included in the public consultation.
2. Guidelines for defining Local Green Spaces are on SNC Local Plan website. Let SNC know by June of any Paulerspury PC proposals.
3. Confines policy is dependent on a positive approach to development in the whole of the District.
4. Current intention is that something like the previous IRHP won't be repeated.
5. It will be necessary to meet local needs at parish/individual settlement level but there must be robust evidence of need.
6. A permissive policy is to be adopted through a "Local Objectively Assessed (housing) Need" [LOAN].
 - a. probably most parishes do not actively want this but such development will depend mostly on the suitability of the site.
 - b. a further aspect of the 'LOAN' approach is that the developer will be expected to work with the local parish.
7. Further housing policies would seem to include that 10% of all homes on individual sites should be affordable home-ownership products (for sites of 10 dwellings or more).
8. The results of a call for sites in the District are listed on the SNC website by each parish.

John Barnes
27 April 2017