

PAULERSPURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council

held on Thursday 25 July 2013

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

PRESENT: Mr Batten, Mrs Sawbridge, Mrs Bartlett, Mr Bloomfield, Mrs Thorburn, Mrs Sawyer

97/7/13 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE and ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE MEETING**

Apologies were received from Mr Barnes, Mr Brice, Mr Lydon, Mr Blackwell and Dr. Hooker. These were accepted.

98/7/13 **MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST** *for items on the agenda and update of Interests where required.*

Mrs Sawbridge Item 102/7/13 c)

99/7/13 **TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF 27 June 2013**

The minutes were approved and signed as correct.

100/7/13 **MATTERS ARISING**

87 /6/13 **Response from Mr R Fallon.** None received

90/6/13 **Grays Lane mowing** Mr Bryan would be thanked for his generosity in mowing this area of grass for many years. It would now be added to the Parish mowing list.

101/7/13 **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Two members of the public were present including County Councillor Mr Walker. District Councillor Mrs Barnes had sent her apologies for her absence.

Mr Down complained to the council that dog walking members of the public were allowing their dogs to foul the Right of Way RU11. Notices would be placed at both ends of this footpath to ask walkers to remove their dog's ordure.

102/7/13 **PLANNING MATTERS**

a) **TEMPORARY STOP NOTICE**

Mr R Taylor, Land at Heathencote Farm, Heathencote

Demolition of cattle building and conversion of traditional buildings to holiday lets.
A breach of planning control. ENF 538

b) TEMPORARY STOP NOTICE

Mr R Taylor, Land at Heathencote Farm, Heathencote.

The demolition of Dutch barn and erection of building to house a biomass heating system.
A breach of planning control. ENF 539

c) S/2013/0910/SCR

Pegasus. Pegasus House Querns Business Centre Whitworth Road GL7 1RT
Screening opinion for a proposed solar park. Homestead Farm, Potterspurvy

Paulerspury Parish Council would seek an Environmental Impact Assessment for this proposed solar park. The Parish Council came to this conclusion as the site slopes southwards and would be highly visible from surrounding landscapes within which were sensitive landscape features, Rights of Way and significant heritage assets. Furthermore the land was Grade 2 agricultural land which should be kept in production.

Site B was adjacent to the A5 trunk road and was likely to be a distraction to motorist It was noted that only site B was in Paulerspury Parish.

d) S/2013/0853/HPD Mr Christopher Billingham Ashton Farm Pury Road Alderton

Rear conservatory

The parish council had no objections to this application.

e) S/2013/0557

Towcester Racecourse
Towcester Racecourse London Road Towcester

(Paulerspury parish)

Excavation of soils from land at the edge of the manmade pond for land raising purpose within the confines of the Racecourse

Development Control Committee site meeting 12:25 pm 23 July 2013

f) Management of Sports Pitches – part of Towcester South Urban Extension. Mr Batten

It was resolved that until Paulerspury Parish Council had received a detailed specification there could be no further discussions on this matter.

103/7/13

FINANCE

a) To receive June 2013 accounts, budget position and to approve payment of outstanding accounts.

| £ | | | |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| 1795 | Wicksteed | Wet Pour | 77.40 |
| 1796 | E.ON | Lighting electricity | 416.32 |
| 1797 | M Down | Salary/Mileage/Office | 463.05 |
| 1798 | Paulerspury Village Hall | Hall Hire | 17.00 |
| 1799 | N J Blackwell | Mowing | 705.48 |
| | | TOTAL | 1679.25 |

The accounts and budget position were received and payment of outstanding payments were approved.

b) Payment of cheque no 1794 NCALC Audit and Annual Subscription.

This cheque had been paid mid meeting as the original invoice (sent April 2013) had not been received

c) To consider the quote for a hand rail for the seat at the Westy Road bus stop.

Mr Barnes and Mr Brice were delegated to consider the quote and, if acceptable, commission the work on behalf of the parish council.

d) To consider the placement of a flag pole

Paulerspury C E Primary School had agreed in principle to having a flag pole on its site. Further operational details were sought by the school governors.

e) Installation of the new notice board near Stony Hill

Mr Blackwell had been asked to assist with the installation of this notice board.

f) County Councillor Empowerment Fund

Mr Walker indicated that a sum not exceeding £500 would be made available for a suitable project.

104/7/13 **CORRESPONDENCE**

None received

105/7/13 **SPINALLS FIELD**

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

Members were asked to ensure that the polythene bags inserted within the rubbish bins were securely attached to the inner framework of the bin.

b) To confirm the August 2013 inspection rota. 4/5 SS, 11/12 JS, 18/19 NB. 25/26 EB

Rota confirmed

c) To consider the tree inspection report

The Clerk

The price for the work recommended was still outstanding.

d) To discuss the outcomes of the Annual Risk Assessment.

The Clerk

The list of work to be undertaken (see attached to the minutes and report) was discussed

and agreed upon. Quotes would be sought for a major hedge cutting task on the allotment site.

e) Contact details for Spinalls Field

Additional names were sought to be placed on public display. Names to be verified at the meeting to be held on 29 August 2013

106/7/13 **ROAD DEFECTS**

a) To record actions taken by the clerk.

The Clerk

Pothole High Street/Grays Lane reported and repaired
17 Careys Road Kerbside edge reported to Northants County Council
Water leak HighSt/Lower St/Careys Road reported.
70mm hole adjacent to the bus stop opposite the Vine House Hotel High Street re reported but still remained on a 4-5 months repair ticket. The clerk would report it a third time.

£12,000 planned for Newbolt Close repairs – no date

b) To discuss the outcome of the meeting held at Heathencote to discuss traffic calming measures.

Mrs Sawyer

Mrs Sawyer, Mrs Howard (Community Highways Representative , NCC) and the clerk met to discuss ways of restricting the speed of motorists who used the road through Heathencote. Mrs Howard agreed to provide road signage to indicate that it was a habited area. Next year it would be possible in the bundle of similar applications to apply to SNC for a 40mph speed restriction to. An individual application (£3,000) would be too costly.

c) Grand Prix traffic directions.

Signage indicating Paulerspury as an alternative access route via Whittlebury to the Grand Prix had been placed on the A5 several days prematurely. This signage should only have been displayed during the period that the one way system was operating on Cowpastures and not for the purpose of directing F1 BGP Traffic to the Circuit during the Inbound phase. The Traffic Management Company had been advised to ensure these signs were only displayed when required, during the period of Outbound traffic when Cowpastures was one way

107/7/13 **ALLOTMENTS**

a) To consider the installation of additional water points.

To be considered at the meeting to be held on 29 August 2013

b) Tenancy agreement

Work was still progressing on this item

108/7/13 **FOOTPATHS**

- a) RU3 Plum Park Lane. No spraying had been undertaken by Rights of Way on this path. A new stile has been provided by the Rights of Way Team
- b) RU7 Plumpton End Wakefield Lodge Estate had cut this path.
- c) RU5 High Street. The hedge adjacent to this path had been cut by the owner.

109/7/13 **MATTERS FOR URGENT ATTENTION AND FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

- The clerk to enquire of NCC when bollards would be placed on the verge outside Apple Dene, Careys Road, Pury End
- The clerk to contact South Northants Homes with regard to neighbour disputes.

110/7/13 **DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

7:30 pm THURSDAY 29 AUGUST 2013 PAULERSPURY VILLAGE HALL