

**Minutes of Cossington Parish Council held at Jubilee Hall,
on Wednesday 18th September 2013 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Mrs. E Crowe - Clerk. Mr. N White.- Chairman
Mrs P Morelli-McKeon Mrs. P Weston-Webb
Mr. A Puri Cllr. Dave Houseman
Cllr James Poland

Apologies: Mr. A Shuttlewood

Members of the Public: Robert Butler, PCSO Alice Forfar

Disclosure of Interest: Penny Weston-Webb – Risk Assessment Maintenance Quotes.

Minutes of last month's meeting: Agreed and Signed by Chairman.

32813 **Public Questions**
None this month.

PCSO Forfar reported that there have been two incidents in Cossington over the last month. Theft of a catalytic converter and an issue with an inner employee of a company.

Cllr James Poland introduced himself as the new Borough Councillor. The Parish Council asked Cllr Poland if he could look into the issues with Chestnut Farm continuing on from Cllr Blaine.

Cllr Dave Houseman reported concerns over future funding pressures at Leicestershire County Council.

32913 **Action Update**

1. Flooding Issues.

i. Charnwood Borough Council Scrutiny Panel on Preparations to deal with the next incident of serious flooding in the Borough – The Clerk to complete the questionnaire.

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ii. Date of Next Flood Issues Meeting – The Clerk is trying to contact Jason Hammond regarding a further date. The Clerk to contact Jonathon McGuiness from Leicestershire County Council.

E.C.

iii. The Clerk to contact Mr Rowlett from Neighbourhood Watch to see if he is still the Flood Warden of the village and to ask if a representative from NHW would like to attend the Parish Council meetings each month to update the Councillors of any issues within the village.

E.C.

2. Village Projects Update

i Christmas Lights

The Clerk to contact Leicestershire County Council to ask if we are exempt from having to apply for a license to put up the lights on the War Memorial as the land is owned by the Parish Council.

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It was agreed that the Clerk will contact three electricians to ask for a quotation for installing the Christmas lights on the War Memorial asking for a price for a 3 and 5 year contract. Mark Page at MPES Limited will be one of the contractors to ask. Mr White to draw up the quotation specification sheet.

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N.W.

The Clerk to contact the Headmistress of Cossington Primary School for an update as to whether the school would like the lights putting up and to ask if they would like them up every year.

E.C.

- ii. Historical Documents – List of Cossington Parish Council Records
The Records Office only take records that are more than 10 years old. It was decided that none of the Minute books will be put into the Records Office until we have a few more that are over 10 years old.

3. Risk Assessment Maintenance Quotations.

The Councillors opened and discussed the three quotations received. It was agreed that David from Mr B would be given the contract. The Clerk to contact Mr B. The Clerk to write to thank the other individual contractors for their time.

4. Replacement of Fence in Back Lane Car Park.

Mr White and the Clerk have spoken with Mr & Mrs Mason regarding replacing the fence in the Back Lane Car Park. The Councillors agreed that the Parish Council will replace the fence with a 4ft fence and the Clerk will contact Mr & Mrs Mason to see if they prefer a 6 ft fence and would they be willing to pay the difference. The Clerk to get 3 quotations. Mr White to write a quotation specification sheet.

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5. VAS Sign

It was agreed that the price of £678+VAT to install power sockets to 3 lamp posts is too expensive to go ahead with. A discussion took place to see if NHW would be interested in volunteering in helping with putting the sign up and changing the batteries when the VAS sign is in the village. The Clerk to put a piece in the newsletter asking for any able volunteers within the village to help on a rota basis.

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6. Constitution Guidelines.

Declaration of Interests to be discussed at the next meeting.

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7. Website Update.

The Clerk asked Mr White if it is possible to have the Agenda's displayed on the website. Mr White to arrange.

8. Revamp of Joint Soar Valley Villages Liaison Meeting Agenda.

Cossington Parish Council was elected to host the meetings for the next year. The next meeting is on Wednesday 20th November at 6.00 p.m. The Clerk to send out the Minutes and Agenda.

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33013 **Planning Applications**

1. Application No: P/13/1674/2 – Proposal for Replacement of link roof between house and garage at 65 Main Street, Cossington, LE7 4UU. No objection.

2. Application No: P/13/1602/2 – Works to trees (Conservation Area Notice) at 139 Main Street, Cossington. LE7 4UX. No objection.
3. Application No: P/13/1521/2 – Proposal for Erection of single storey extension to rear of dwelling at 1 Fisher Close, Cossington. LE7 4US. No objection.
4. Temporary Extended Closure of Footpath I63, Cossington.

33113 **Blue Box** – Circulated for all to read.

Correspondence

1. Cossington Grange, Rothley.

Comments have been made about the recently built four houses on Syston Road, Rothley have been named Cossington Grange by the Builder.

The Clerk to email Cllr Poland to ask if he can object the name on our behalf as there is already a Cossington Grange on Syston Road, Cossington.

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2. Homestead Close – Planning Application for retention of mobile classrooms at Cossington C of E School.

A meeting has taken place with residents of Homestead Close, Leicestershire County Council, Mrs Weston-Webb and Mr White regarding the concerns of residents in Homestead Close for the schools planning application of retaining the mobile classrooms. Confirmation has been given that Leicestershire County Council will inspect the trees, agreed to mending the fence and going to recommend that the mobiles only get a 2 year temporary permission.

3. Barrow-Upon-Soar – Remembrance Day Service Invite.

The Clerk to send the Councillors apologies. The Clerk to order a Reith from Malcolm Kitching to be laid at the War Memorial in Cossington.

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33313 Accounts

Emma Crowe Expenses	£44.00 (cheque paid in August)
Community Accounting Plus	£63.00 (cheque paid in August)
Brian Mee Associates	£192.00 (cheque paid in August)

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Neil White (Printer for Clerk)	£110.20

Mr B Lindsey (Garage Rent)	+£30.00
Mrs B Cooper (Garage Rent)	+£30.00
Mr & Mrs Fear (Garage Rent)	+£30.00

Current Account: £1700.84 Reserve Account £21644.89

A discussion took place with regards to transferring money from the Reserve to the Current Account. The Clerk to check the September bank statement to see if the Precept has been paid in.

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33413 **Clerks Report**

1. Councillor Training – The Councillors to let the Clerk know if they wish to attend any training sessions at LRALC.
2. Connect 2 Dog Bins – To discuss at the next meeting.
3. Trimming of Oak Trees along Main Street – The Clerk to contact the Forestry department at County Hall.

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Next Meeting Wednesday 16th October 2013 at 6.30 p.m.

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