

WAREHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20th February 2023 at 6.00pm
Held in the Village Hall

Present:

Parish Cllrs: Cllrs P Jones – Chair, A Bodle, R Henderson, J Saunders,

Borough Cllrs:**County Cllrs:**

Apologies: 0

Members of Public:

Clerk: A Beach

Minute No.		ACTION
1204	Apologies & reasons for absence: Cllrs Banach, Robey & Sparks	
1205	Declaration of Interest Declaration by Members of any interest, Pecuniary or Other than Pecuniary, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct. To approve or reject any application put to the meeting by the Chairman in respect of Members' seeking a dispensation under the Localism Act 2011, s.33. Request that Councillors' or any other persons' present declare if they intend to record any of the proceedings using any video or audio recording device or camera. None declared.	
1206	Confirm the Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 16 th January 2023 were corrected as requested by Cllr Henderson, page 249 Items for Information should read that the new rector has been appointed to the Saxon Shoreline Benefice and a service will be held at St Matthews Church Warehorne to welcome him to the Benefice. The correction was approved and signed by the Vice Chairman, Cllr Bodle	
1207	At this point the Meeting will be adjourned for the Public Session. This session is for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the agenda. The public are welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting but are reminded that they cannot take part.	
1208	Borough Councillor Report None provided	
1209	County Councillor Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The KCC Budget has been a very difficult process, but we have achieved a Balanced Budget, which is obviously very important. This was approved at a very long Full Council Meeting on 9th February. However, things are likely to be very tight next year. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We continue to make good progress on our plans to put Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) into Dungeness, and the announcement of a new Department of Energy, earlier in the month, will be a big help in this regard. - If you let me have a list of your outstanding highways and related issues, then I will chase these up. <p>The Clerk was asked to confirm that the outstanding items are the Church Road speed limit, Warehorne Road footpath. Malthouse Lane general road condition.</p>	
1210	<p>Matters Arising No items raised</p>	
1211	<p>Village Matters <i>Speed Limit</i> Ongoing. <i>Footpath Construction, Warehorne Road</i> The Clerk reported the matter to ABC Planning Enforcement department who replied confirming that there is a current investigation into this matter, ENF/2022/1685, for which the case officer is Mrs Sophie Harding, and our details have been added to the file to ensure that you receive any available updates. <i>Village Green</i> Cllr Saunders has kindly agreed to trim the beech trees on the green <i>Village Hall</i> Cllr Bodle confirmed that the supplier will honour the original quotation, the initial cost will be £247.50 plus the monthly fee of £38.00. Councillors agreed to accept the offer and he will arrange for the installation.</p>	
1212	<p>Malthouse Lane <u>Breach of Planning</u> ABC have informed us that there is a meeting with the Council's lawyer week commencing 20/02/23 and an update will be sent following that meeting; expected date 23rd March 2023. <u>Road Condition</u> Lisa Willoughby, KCC Highways Manager has confirmed the following:- Malthouse Lane was inspected earlier this week in response to enquiries received. At the time of inspection, there were no safety critical i.e. essential works required. As a KCC Member, you may be aware of the current budget position at this stage of the financial year. Consequently, safety critical repairs only are being carried out currently. The RAFAT team has confirmed to you in the email trail below that there are no plans to include Malthouse Lane within the 5 year forward works plans. Please be assured that Malthouse Lane will be continued to be monitored for any essential, safety critical works via the statutory 6 monthly safety inspections and ad hoc</p>	

	<p>inspections that will be carried out in response to any future enquiries received.</p> <p>Taking into consideration KCC Highways' current position as explained above, your request for a site meeting is not viable at this time. I do appreciate that this is not the outcome you are hoping for, but I hope that I have explained KCC Highways' position clearly. However, if you do have any further questions, please come back to me.</p>	
1213	<p>Warehorne Road Development</p> <p>Despite ABC assuring Cllr Sparks that a mature hedgerow would be planted to replace the one removed, only small 'twig saplings' have been planted, after speaking to Cllr Sparks the Clerk has contacted Sally Hodgson asking her to investigate it.</p>	
1214	<p>Planning</p> <p><u>WPC Comments</u></p> <p>PA/2023/0161 – Forest Lodge, Malthouse Lane Removal of condition 6 (no doors to be erected on garage) and variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission PA/2022/2398 to allow roller doors to be added to garage. Decision – Agreed</p> <p>PA/2023/0258 – Beam Ends, Warehorne Road Demolition of existing conservatory, extension and erect a side extension and wind turbine Decision – Commented further information is required regarding the wind turbine before WPC are able accept the application.</p> <p><u>ABC Comments</u></p> <p><u>Appeals</u></p> <p>22/00122/AS – 2 Ham Hill Cottages An appeal has been made to the Planning Inspectorate regarding the decision made.</p> <p>21/01135/AS – Land south west of Viaduct Terrace An appeal has been made to the Planning Inspectorate regarding the decision made</p>	
1215	<p>Village Website</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>	
1216	<p>Correspondence</p> <p><u>Previously emailed</u></p> <p>KALC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – NALC CEO Report – KALC CEO Report – KALC News January 2023 <p>KALC – Ashford Branch</p>	

	<p>–</p> <p>Ashford BC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Planning Application Clearance Week 6th-10th February – Posters showing the requirements for the May election received to be displayed around the village <p>Wittersham PC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Thank you for our donation towards the Village Caretaker Scheme 	
1217	<p>Finance</p> <p><i>Authorisation of Payments</i></p> <p>Chq No 459– A Beach – January Salary (£243.75)</p> <p>Chq No 460 – A Beach – Repayment for Tree Plaque (£149.82)</p>	
1218	<p>Working Party Reports</p> <p>Finance - Monthly Transaction Statement, following the above transactions the current balance of the Treasurers' Account is £6,151.90 NSI Investment Account £6,859.06 and Bus Shelter Account £398.22, total working capital is £13,409.18</p> <p>Highways – Malthouse Lane</p> <p>Public Rights of Way – Nothing to report</p>	
1219	<p>Items for Information</p> <p>Coronation Big Lunch and Tree Dedication on Sunday 7th May</p>	
1220	<p>Date of the next scheduled meeting will be on 20th March 2023</p>	

The Chairman closed the meeting at 6.55pm and thanked everyone for their attendance.

Dates of future meetings

Month	Date	Type of Meeting	Start Time
March	20 th	Normal	6.00pm
April	17 th	Normal	6.00-6.30pm
April	17 th	Annual Parish Meeting	6.45pm