

WAREHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21st March 2022 at 6.00pm
Held in the Village Hall

Present:

Parish Cllrs: Cllr P Jones – Chair, Cllr J Saunders, Cllr A Bodle, Cllr J Banach

Borough Cllrs: Cllr G Sparks, Cllr D Ledger

County Cllrs: Cllr D Robey

Apologies:

Members of Public:

PCSO:

Clerk: A Beach

Minute No.		ACTION
1056	Apologies & reasons for absence: Cllr Henderson – sickness	
1057	Declaration of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Declaration by Members of any interest, Pecuniary or Other than Pecuniary, in accordance with the Council’s Code of Conduct. ii. 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. iii. 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.	
1058	Confirm the Minutes The minutes of the meetings held on 28 th February 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman, Cllr Jones.	
1059	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.	
1060	Borough Councillor Update Cllr Sparks updated the PC on Malthouse Lane he has recently spoken to Jo Alexander and confirms the process is definitely progressing and apologised for being unable to provide the full details. The next planning meeting on 13 th April will include the applications for the proposed block of flats and town houses on Warehorne Road and suggested that the PC either send a statement or a representative to the meeting.	

	<p>Cllr Ledger advised the PC that we should have received an email regarding a land mapping consultation and advised the importance of taking part, he also confirmed that trees for the Queens Green Canopy project are still available using the Aspire link or contacting James Laidlaw direct.</p>	
1061	<p>County Councillor Update</p> <p>The KCC budget has now been finalised with a number of departments having their budgets reduced considerably.</p> <p>Bus service subsidies and services are being reduced and there is a consultation currently running on the KCC website regarding the Governments strategic bus policy.</p> <p>The Government are considering installing SMR's (Small Nuclear Reactors) developed by Rolls Royce into Dungeness B power station to avoid its closure.</p>	
1062	<p>Matters Arising from Previous Meeting</p> <p><i>Aspire supply of Saplings and Hedgerow</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The Clerk has contacted Aspire requesting confirmation that blackthorn and hawthorn would be available for the hedgerow around the church. <p><i>Dedication Poem for Village Green Benches</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cllrs Saunders and Jones have written three suggestions for a dedication poem to past and present villagers, see Appendix 2203-1. Previously, it had been suggested that the dedication reads across the two benches. The clerk commented that due to the available space a longer poem may not have the impact and suggested a shorter one. Councillors agreed to defer until the next meeting. 	–
1063	<p>Village Matters</p> <p><i>Speed Limit</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ongoing, once the gateways have been installed, we will be able to see if there is any improvement. <p><i>Village Gateways</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The underfunding amount has been paid and we await confirmation of a start date. <p><i>Decorative Village Sign</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ongoing <p><i>Village Green</i></p> <p><i>Platinum Jubilee Picnic – Sunday 5th June</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cllr Jones confirmed we had received £500 from Ashford BC via Cllr Sparks and thanked him. – The Woolpack are doing a barbecue on Thursday 2nd June – After discussions with the Jubilee committee the Clerk has applied for a National Lottery Community Fund grant for £3,750 to purchase five picnic benches, gazebos, bench covers and jubilee decorations; 	

	<p>these will be dedicated to Queen’s Jubilee, and also provide seating for all future community events.</p> <p><i>Post meeting confirmation was received that our application has been approved.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cllr Banach has booked a children’s entertainer – Final decisions on, medals and competitions are ongoing. – The Parish Council’s donation towards the refreshments for the ‘bring and share lunch’ are ongoing. <p>Village Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Broadband Costs The clerk explained that unfortunately, obtaining quotations without a Postcode is not possible; and made a request to the Post Office to issue one. An approximate cost will be £500, to install the line, the annual rental and cost of a router on a 24-month contract. Until a postcode is received the item was deferred. – Replacement Defibrillator The defibrillator cabinet been delivered. This now needs to be wired in, a safe walkway installed for access if necessary and registration onto the British Heart Foundation database – The Circuit, to ensure Emergency Services can direct people when needed. 	
1064	<p>Neighbourhood Watch Scheme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cllr Bodle gave a brief update and confirmed it was ongoing. 	
1065	<p>Malthouse Lane Update</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>	
1066	<p>Warehorne Road Development Update</p> <p>An email was received from Dandara confirming that of two of three will be called Waylett Crescent after the founder who made the bells in St Matthew’s Church, the other is InGoldsby Lane after Rev. Barham who wrote The InGoldsby Legends the details were obtained from our website. They had also suggested Yeoman’s Road, this was refused and asked for suggestions to allow her to resubmit.</p>	
1067	<p>Planning</p> <p>WPC Comments</p> <p>22/00322/AS – Little Tinton, Church Road, Warehorne New access and entrance to existing dwelling Decision – All agreed, no comment.</p> <p>ABC Comments</p>	

	<p>21/00881/AMND/AS – Land between A2070 and railway north of, Warehorne Road, Non material amendment to change of approved brick and roof tiles ABC Decision – Amended Plans Approved</p> <p>21/00342/AS – Land south of 10 Viaduct Terrace, Warehorne Construction of two detached dwellings with associate car barns ABC Decision – Withdrawn by Applicant</p>	
1068	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>KALC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Newsletter, previously emailed – Details of KCC consultation on the reduction of bus service funding, g previously emailed – Details of NALC salary award 2021-22, previously emailed <p>KALC – Ashford Division</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Minutes of meeting held on 3rd March, previously emailed. <p>Ashford BC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – PowerPoint presentation of the Planning Department training presentation, previously emailed – The next Local Council Forum will take place via Zoom on 13th April 2022 from 1.00 to 4.00pm, the main subject will be Anti-Social behaviour, previously emailed 	
1069	<p>Finance</p> <p>a. Authorisation of Payments</p> <p>Chq No 376 – J Banach, repayment of deposit for entertainer, £30.00 Chq No 377 – A Beach, January salary, £195.87</p> <p>b. NALC National Pay Award for 2021-22</p> <p>Details of the new national pay rates for Clerks has been agreed by the National Joint Council for Local Government (LJC), backdated to 1st April 2021.</p> <p>The clerk’s current rate is SCP Grade 11 at £11.30 per hour (4 hours per week equals £2,350.44 per annum), this grade has been increased to £11.50 per hour (4 hours per week equals £2,392 per annum) See APPENDIX 2203-2</p> <p>Councillors discussed it and Cllr Jones proposed the increase and Cllr Banach seconded. The increase was unanimously agreed. The Clerk thanked all for their kind comments.</p> <p>c. NS & I Investment Account</p> <p>The annual interest for 2021 at a rate of 0.01% has been received, the Clerk believes alternative investments should be considered to improve the amount we obtain. Cllr Bodle agreed to look for alternatives which specialize in Local Government funding in the near future.</p>	AB

	The Clerk informed the PC that the main contact details for the NS&I account are Mrs Keenan; previous chairman; and confirmed these should be altered to the current Chairman, Cllr Jones agreed to speak to Mrs Keenan.	PJ/Clerk
1070	Working Party Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance - Monthly Transaction Statement, following the above transactions the current balance of the Treasurers' Account is £6,987.97, NSI Investment Account £6,859.06 and Bus Shelter Account £398.22, total working capital is £14,245.25 • Highways – Malthouse Lane has been marked for repair • Public Rights of Way – Nothing to report 	
1071	Items for Information Nothing to report	
1072	Date of the next scheduled meeting will be on 25th April 2022 from 6.00pm until 6.30pm, this will be followed at 6.45pm by the Annual Parish Meeting.	

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.15pm and thanked everyone for their attendance.

Dates of future meetings

Month	Date	Type of Meeting	Start Time
May	23 rd	Parish Council AGM	6.00pm
June	20 th	Normal	6.00pm
July	18 th	Normal	6.00pm
September	19 th	Normal	6.00pm
October	17 th	Normal	6.00pm
November	21 st	Normal	6.00pm

APPENDIX – 2203-1

Village Green Benches – Dedication Poem Suggestions

As you take a moment to sit and rest
Remember those who over the years have done their best
To make this village what it is today
a thriving, sociable, caring place to work and play.

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Take a moment to sit and rest
Remembering those who have done their best

To make this village what it is today
A caring place to live and play

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Please take a moment to sit and rest
Remembering those who did their best
To make this village what it is today
A caring community at work, rest and play

Please sit and rest and enjoy the scene
Take time to make your mind serene
Think of family, friends and those in need
And make a promise to do a good deed.

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‘Please take a seat, have a break, talk to friends or complete strangers or just think of others and say Thank-you’

APPENDIX 2203-2



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2 March 2022

E01-22 | 2021-22 NATIONAL SALARY AWARD

We have been informed that the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has agreed the new rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2021. They state:

“Pay

Agreement has been reached on rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2021.

Employers are encouraged to implement this pay award as swiftly as possible.

Backpay for employees who have left employment since 1 April 2021

If requested by an ex-employee to do so, we recommend that employers should pay any monies due to that employee from 1 April 2021 to the employee’s last day of employment.

When salary arrears are paid to ex-employees who were in the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), the employer must inform its local LGPS fund. Employers will need to amend the CARE and final pay figures (if the ex-employee has pre-April 2014 LGPS membership) accordingly. Further detail is provided in [section 15 of the HR guide](#) which is available on the [employer resources section](#) of www.lgpsregs.org”

The annex below lists the new pay scales for clerks and other employees employed under the terms of the model contract including SCPs 50 and above. These should be applied from 1 April 2021.

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SCP	1 April 2020		1 st April 2021		Scale Ranges
	£ per annum	£ per hour	£ per annum	£ per hour	Based on SCP
7	£20,092	£10.44	£20,444	£10.63	LC1 (7-12) (Substantive Benchmark range)
8	£20,493	£10.65	£20,852	£10.84	
9	£20,903	£10.86	£21,269	£11.05	
10	£21,322	£11.08	£21,695	£11.28	
11	£21,748	£11.30	£22,129	£11.50	
12	£22,183	£11.53	£22,571	£11.73	