

Warburton Parish Council.

Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 15th February 2022 at 7.30pm

Present: Ms Clare Grace (CG), Mr Mark Priestner (MP), Mrs Lucy Houghton (LH), Mr Paul Beckmann (PB), Mr Tim Fairbairn (TF), Mrs Gaye Fletcher (GF), Cllr Michael Whetton (MW).

Apologies: Mr Bob Jones, Mr Richard Clegg

Minutes.

Minutes of the council meeting held on 4th January were approved.

Matters arising.

There were no matters arising.

Finance

Our balance stands at £20,412.75 after payment of £228.68 for the PC website. This includes £5,033.00 of the Neighbourhood Plan Grant Funding. This leaves £15,379.75 available funds. Our accounts are still not updated on Trafford's website. We have applied for a precept.

Yew Tree Farm

Mr Peter O'Connor joined the meeting at our request to give more information regarding planning applications 103511/FUL/21 and 106691/FUL/21. 103511 had had many further submissions but Mr O'Connor was able to give assurances that the raising of the land would be no higher than road level and was no more than levelling off the area to reduce flooding. There could be up to 40 wagons per day travelling down Dunham Road. P/A 106691 is for a detached dwelling overlooking the farm land which would be called Cheshire House and the original Cheshire House building would be demolished. There had been pre-application discussions with Trafford. Mr O'Connor does have a copy of the VDS. PB would draft a letter to Trafford insisting the land height would never be higher than road level and also to comment on the house design.

Planning Applications.

106195/FUL/21. Application was made to change the use of the office building on the Edgefold Homes development site. With regard to the car parking area we suggest it should be made temporary so that if use of the building ceased it would be returned to green field/agricultural use. Cheshire fencing rather than shrubs would give more visibility to traffic.

Warburton Toll Bridge

We have learnt that, because of many objections, there will be a public enquiry regarding Peel Ports application for a TWA order on the Rixton & Warburton Toll Bridge. This is likely to be in the summer. Chair CG and TF said they would like to speak at the enquiry.

Hydrogen Pipeline

There had been a consultation held at The Fuse in Partington earlier today by Cadent illustrating the proposed route of the Hynet North West Hydrogen Pipeline to bring blue hydrogen to the area. The current proposals would run it across two mosses and build a Blending Station in Warburton. This is likely to be in the CarrGreen Lane area. Concerns were raised at the route proposed, eg mossland, field drains, depth of pipeline to allow farming to continue, etc and there will be land surveys done in June with further consultations after that.

Trafford Citizen's Assembly

This will be held over for the next meeting.

Correspondence

E-mails had been sent to Trafford advising flooding in Moss Lane and on the Trans Pennine Trail and chasing up the pavement clearing and work on the reinstatement of a footway in Dunham Road which has now started. We had received a request for a letter be sent to Grant Schapps at the Department for Transport underlining the importance of introducing a Government amendment to remove the Golborne Spur from the HS2 bill introduced to Parliament on 24th January. GF will liaise with Marion McNaughton. The Memorial Policy was discussed and we would approach Sue Whitehead again. The CAT5 bus will be reintroduced in April albeit with some changes in route together with connectivity with the 280 bus route. Further enquiries will be made.

Notice Boards

Three quotations had been sought for replacement of the mandatory Parish Notice Boards. A proposal by MP was seconded by LH to purchase these was put forward and all agreed. However, we will seek advice from Trafford’s Heritage Officer as to whether aluminium poles would be suitable alongside a Grade II listed church and/or in a conservation area.

Road Safety

MW reported that a response to his enquiry with Trafford regarding the electronic traffic sign advises a replacement electronic sign will be ordered and erected but that it might be slightly different than the one it is replacing. Trafford will share the information as soon as it is available. MW will chase up his enquiry with Trafford about the speed pipes though he learns there is a waiting list and CG will contact again our PCSO with regard to the speeding issues in Warburton. TF advised his willingness to participate in the scheme.

Queen’s Platinum Jubilee

LH reported that two events had been discussed. An afternoon tea party in the Parish Rooms on Friday 3rd June and a Jubilee Picnic to be held on Sunday 5th on the green in Egerton Avenue. Unfortunately we do not have enough young volunteers to set up tables and chairs as befitting a street party, if in fact such furniture was still available. We have applied to Trafford to close Paddock Lane from the junction with Bent Lane through to Townfield Lane to traffic to allow car parking and ease of pedestrian traffic. We will also link up with Dunham Massey and extend the scarecrow trail. It is hoped we will be able to erect a flagpole to fly a flag to commemorate this historic occasion. Enquiries will be made whether we need to apply for planning permission.

Points of Interest

Building work had started on the new homes in Barns Lane. PB has sent a letter regarding CIL money. There will be a litter pick in the village on Saturday 2nd April to coincide with Keep Britain Tidy’s Great British Spring Clean running from 25th March to 10th April. The date on the litter pick banners will be amended and displayed. PB will set up a meeting with Marj Powner about Trafford’s Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan document which was presented to the Secretary of State on 14th February. PB advised about CPRE’s campaign to get Village Greens recorded and this will be raised at the next meeting. Fly tipping in Gorse Lane had again occurred and MW will see what can be done.

Dates of next meetings: Tuesdays 29th March 2022 and 17th May.

Chairperson’s signature.....

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