

Warburton Parish Council.

Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7.30pm

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

There were no apologies

**Minutes.**

Minutes of the council meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 were approved after amendments.

**Matters arising.**

There were no matters arising.

**Finance**

Our balance stands at £18,025.42. We have received an e-mail from the Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments (SAAA) regarding the possibility of opting out from the SAAA central external auditor appointment arrangements. It was decided to continue as normal and complete the Certificate of Exemption at the appropriate time. Groundwork have allocated £7,610 towards our NP. Thanks were given to PB for furthering this grant and for all the work involved in the NP.

**Neighbourhood Plan (NP)**

Mike Nevell will produce a historic schedule which will give more structure to our NP application. Louise Kirkup has got the OK from Trafford to produce it. There needs to be more public consultation and we will put information on the website to invite comments from the public.

**Parish Email Newsletter**

Everyone was encouraged to send to CG topics to be included in the newsletter. These included the Toll Bridge, Cadent Pipeline and Dunham Road Pavement (DRP). With regard to the DRP, Peter O'Connor has offered help as has Dave Roberts and PB. A small group will be set up to cost this initiative and we will ask the villagers for their views. Malcolm Cormack and BJ have also offered help. Farmers would be asked to cut hedges back along the road. Cooksons have already done this.

**Boundary Signs & Heritage Trail Signs**

We have had no response from Andrew Hague on this, so we will go back to the plan and create four road signs. Regarding the sign on the bridge, we could ask Peel to sponsor a sign or lobby other businesses to stress the fact we are a historic village and asking motorists to drive carefully. We need an indicative cost for this. Trafford are sympathetic towards a heritage trail.

**Noticeboard**

Tony Pearson has offered to make a Parish Noticeboard using suitable hard wood which will save the Council a huge investment.

**CRR Walk 24<sup>th</sup> August**

On 24<sup>th</sup> August representatives from Amey (representing Trafford), FOCM, WCHAR, Wain Homes and Warburton PC followed the route proposed by Trafford to bring about the Carrington Relief Road (CRR). Warburton PC is concerned at the increase in traffic this development would create although Amey & Wain Estates (who will be responsible for the industrial buildings) assured those present that much of this extra traffic would be directed to turn right at the junction of Isherwood Road and the A6144.

**Wain Estates**

Wain Estates intend to demolish the Wain Homes offices and use the land for warehousing encouraging firms like Amazon and Hermes. It was pointed out that the A6144 is operating beyond capacity at the moment and this would exacerbate the problem.

**Toll Bridge**

TF is hoping to find out whether he will be available for the Public Enquiry. He would like to speak at the hearing to find out, amongst other things what power do Peel have to increase the toll, to highlight the extra cost for locals and the impact on traffic. We would also like more information on any structural surveys.

**Correspondence**

The houses in Barns Lane are now being marketed by Gascoigne Halman and they list the properties as being in Dunham Massey. This is incorrect and an email has been sent to them advising them of the fact.

**Road Safety**

There have been two more accidents in Warburton which have been added to the log. It is unsafe for children to queue for the bus in the road by the Dunham Triangle. Perhaps a STOP sign would be better here. A petition could be included in the Parish newsletter or on the website. Further should we ask the police how many accidents are caused by speed? GF was asked to circulate the Traffic Incident Log so more thought can be given to the problem before the next meeting. TF, GF and MW would set up a sub committee group.

**Community Assets and Green Spaces**

Concern was raised whether the owners of such would welcome parish involvement. A leaflet from Groundwork will be circulated.

**Cadent Hydrogen Pipeline**

Consultation will start next week. BJ advised Carr Green Lane residents are getting concerned as it is proposed a blending station will be built in the area

**Defibrillator**

CG reported that Ego at the Green Dragon would be happy to offer a location for the defibrillator.

**Points of Interest**

It was reported that bus stops are getting overgrown by hedges and ingress. There had been a tour of Arley Hall Gardens on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022.

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