WARESIDE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at 8.00pm on Thursday 16th July 2015 in the Village Hall, Wareside

Present: Lynda Baker (Clerk) (LB), Councillor S Beavis (SB), County Councillor R Beeching, Councillor P Goodman (PG), Councillor M Ryan (MR) (Chairman), Councillor G Sheraidah (GS)

1. Apologies for absence.

Councillor R Northcote and Councillor S Richards.

2. Open Forum

No members of the public attended.

3. Approval of minutes of parish annual council meeting held on 28th May 2015

Approved, signed by Councillor M Ryan.

4. Matters Arising

- a. **Dog Fouling** re increase in dog fouling on pavements and playing fields, LB has spoken to the Dog Warden from the Environment Health department at EHDC who has provided lamppost stickers. The Dog Warden will also perform a check of the area (last done in January 2014 and no concerns noted). MR to write article for Waresider magazine reminding parishioners of their responsibility re clearing up after their dog.
- b. **Traffic** re traffic from B1004 into the village driving far too fast, LB has contacted the Safer Neighbourhood Team (Sgt Duncan Wallace and PCSO Karen Broad) and requested that they check vehicle speeds through the village. MR has contacted the Highways department to request that the "Give Way" markings are repainted as these as now practically non existent (Fault Report 201007185/31).
- c. **Website** LB to progress with the NALC recommended company (Parishcouncil.net) to obtain their bronze service package for the Wareside Parish Council website. It was agreed that the WPC would have a link to the Wareside Community website provided and managed by Wareside Church (www.wareside.org.uk).
- d. **Litter** MR to arrange a Litter picking day in the village.
- e. **Allotments/Playing Field** LB and PG to review and finalise all Wareside Allotment Association documentation. LB to contact Zurich Insurance re allotment/playing field insurance.
- f. **Parish Council responsibilities** PG to contact Hertfordshire County Council to confirm what common land is within the parish and who is responsible for it.
- g. **Ware Charitable Trust** Tony Taylor-Moran represented us previously, SB volunteered to represent us going forward. MR to provide details of contacts and meeting dates to SB.

h. **Meetings attended on behalf of WPC** MR attended Footpaths and Rights of Way training session run by HAPTC, MR to write up notes and issue to all Councillors. MR attended meeting hosted by Heritage Lottery Fund re funding for War Memorial maintenance and repair, MR to progress.

5. Reports from members representing the Parish Council on outside organisations and attending meetings on behalf of the Council

- **a.** County Councillors Report: R Beeching advised that he is now Vice Chairman of the County Council. He also advised that "Homestart" funding is to be withdrawn from 2016. He reminded those present of the Locality Budget Scheme from which we could apply for funds, see http://www.hertsdirect.org/your-council/localitybudgetscheme for details.
- **b**. District Councillor Report: No report received.
- **c.** Policing Report: 1 vehicle crime incident occurred within Wareside (June crime and ASB figures). East Herts Rural Safer Neighbourhood Team has requested members of the public to join the OWL (Online Watch Liaison) messaging service. This is an excellent tool and allows police to contact local residents with information about current scams, criminal activity and local police run events in their areas, see www.owl.co.uk/su/herts62.cfm for details.

6. Notice Board

Purchase of Notice Board agreed, however ordered to be placed on hold as it was highlighted that one possible use of the Phone Box could be to host notices.

7. Neighbourhood Plan

LB and PG to progress getting Wareside recognized as a neighbourhood.

8. Allotments/Playing Field

It was suggested that the Allotments/Playing Field be named "Little Oak Heath", proposed by GS and seconded by SB, agreed unanimously.

GS advised that a website had been set up www.waresideplayground.co.uk to help gain support for a playground to be built at Little Oak Heath.

9. Planning

14-May-2015 - Planning application number 3/15/0878/LBC at Hanley Barn, Fanhams Grange, Fanhams Hall Road, Ware, Hertfordshire; Comments by 4th June 2015; Granted subject to conditions.

20-May-2015 - Planning application number 3/15/0747/LBC at Gilpin Cottage, Fanhams Grange, Fanhams Hall Road, Ware, Hertfordshire; Comments by 10th June 2015; Granted subject to conditions.

In progress:

10-July-2015 – Planning application number 3/15/1260/LBC at Gilpin Cottage Fanhams Grange Fanhams Hall Road Ware Hertfordshire; Comments by 31st July 2015.

10. Finance

- a. Annual Return: Paperwork sent to BDO, awaiting results of audit.
- b. Spending for approval: Approved by all Councillors present, signed for by Councillors M Ryan and G Sheraidah.

David Jarret – Grass cutting (Invoice No. 2994)	£50.00
National Allotment Society – Annual membership subscription	£66.00
David Jarret – Wareside Allotment/Playing Field maintenance	£300.00
HAPTC – Footpaths and Rights of Way Training –M Ryan	£75.00

c. Bank Statement: Current Account £13,178.99, Reserve Account £516.24. Petty Cash: £10.04.

11. Correspondence

East Herts Council, May 2015: Funding for Local Community and Voluntary Groups leaflet. For information only, no action required.

Hertfordshire County Council, 26 June 2015: re Highways Act 1980 Section 119 (Wareside 13) Diversion Order 2012. Notice of confirmation of order, laminated copy of notice and plan for public display. Laminated copy of notice put on public display 2 July 2015 (Noticeboard at Village Hall), to be displayed until 13 August 2015.

12. AOB

- a) **Installation of a Bus Shelter at Kingham Road junction bus stop**: Highways to be contacted, PG to progress. Hunsdon has recently had a new shelter so it was suggested that David Gibbs and Joy Robinette be contacted for advice/guidance.
- b) **Phone Box**: MR to progress adopting. Sawbridgeworth Town Council uses the one at West Road/Station Road to house a defibrillator and their notices. Suggested that we use of to display notices.
- c) **Trinity Church**: PG is working with Nicholas Buxton on setting up a non-religious charity to make better use of Trinity Church and its land for the good of the community.

Next meeting Thursday 17th September 2015 at 8:00pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

<u>Signed...... Date.....</u>