

# WARESIDE PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at 8.00pm on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016 in the Village Hall, Wareside**

Present: Lynda Baker (Clerk) (LB), Councillor P Goodman (PG), Councillor M Ryan (MR) (Chairman),  
Councillor G Sheridah (GS)

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### **1. Apologies for absence.**

Councillor S Beavis, Councillor S Richards, District Councillor R Brunton and County Councillor R Beeching.

### **2. Open Forum**

Attended by: Dean Birchenough, Laura Blight, Daphne Briscoe, David Briscoe, Maureen Dunn, William Dunn, Sarah Hart and Richard Hart.

### **3. Planning**

#### **Decision Notices Report:**

**3/16/1614/LBC** - Installation of secondary glazing to kitchen, living room, 2 no. bedrooms, stairs and hall at 3 Blakesware Manor Widford Ware Hertfordshire SG12 7RD.  
Granted consent subject to conditions.

**3/16/1551/HH** - Single storey front, side and rear extension at 20 Coanwood Cottages Babbs Green Wareside Ware Hertfordshire.  
Granted permission subject to conditions.

#### **Applications for consideration:**

**3/16/2004/FUL** - To develop a small scale standby electricity generation plant in a new portal framed building and installation of ancillary equipment at New Hall Farm Newhall Green Fanhams Hall Road Wareside SG12 7SD. All attendees expressed concern and indicated that they were against the development. MR advised Wareside Parish Council will respond but he also requested those present to go onto the planning website to raise their concerns. Open Forum requested that Edge Power Limited hold a public meeting and present the planning request to the Village, MR to arrange. Topics of concern raised and discussed were:

- Pollution
- Increased traffic during construction
- No benefit/financial gain for village
- Safety of an electricity generation plant powered by gas in a rural area
- Exhaust gases and vapor associated with it
- Letter written to 6 properties at one address which looks as if East Herts Council is only treating the properties as a single unit
- Alarm going off at unsociable hours

Maureen Dunn asked if there were any regulations that stipulated minimum proximity of electricity generation plants to dwellings, RN to investigate.

**3/16/2021/HH** - Proposed single storey rear extension following demolition of existing structure at The Brae Cottage Bakers End Wareside Ware Hertfordshire.  
No objections raised.

#### **4. Approval of minutes of held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016**

Approved subject to the following addition to item 2, Election of Officers:

The following councillors were subsequently elected to fulfill the listed roles:-  
*Cllr Ghassan Sheraidah – Amenities (Joint)*

Amendment to be made and document to be sent to Councillor M Ryan for signing.

#### **5. Matters Arising**

- a. **War Memorial** LB to chase up progress with East Herts Council to ascertain how much and when we will receive a grant towards the work. LB then to provide an update to Willy Dunn and *The Waresider*.
- b. **Street Lighting** Light not functioning outside 32 Coanwood Cottages; fault to be reported.
- c. **Litter Picking** LB to order 3 Litter Picker sticks for future Litter Picking sessions.
- d. **Bus Shelter** PG to follow up with Hertfordshire County Council as it has now been over six weeks since they requested quotations for the provision and installation.
- e. **Ware Charities** MR has been requested to confirm that Tony Taylor-Moran is still representing Wareside Parish Council. MR to e-mail him to confirm he is still happy to continue to represent Wareside and to request that he explains the process re obtaining a grant from Ware Charities.

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

- a. County Councillors Report: No report received.
- b. District Councillor Report: No report received.
- c. Policing Report:

Offence	No. In Parish	No. in East Herts
Dwelling Burglary	0	20
Burglary Other	0	30
Criminal Damage	0	130
Vehicle Crime	0	48
Anti-Social Behaviour	3	308

#### Other News and events

Last month a couple of churches were targeted with lead being stolen from the roof, so please be vigilant and report any suspicious incidents.

As the harvesting season is upon us we are starting to see an increase in hare coursing activity. If you witness any suspicious behaviour or see hare coursing taking place, please call 999 immediately. Try and get a vehicle registration number and any descriptions of those involved, but do not approach the suspected offenders.

## **7. Phone Booth/Notice Board**

MR confirmed that the phone booth had now been painted, refurbishment was still outstanding.

The Notice Board has been badly damaged therefore we need to put a temporary notice board into the Phone Booth as the Bus Shelter has not yet been installed, MR to arrange.

## **8. Neighbourhood Plan**

A meeting to discuss the District Plan, which the Neighbourhood Plan must support, has been arranged with East Herts Council on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 4pm.

MR advised that a general public meeting to obtain input to the plan is to be arranged in Village Hall with posters and an advert in *The Waresider* to advertise the event, and that he was keen for non-council members to be involved in the plan generation, Dean Birchenough volunteered to participate.

A meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group is to be arranged as soon as the neighbourhood designation has been approved.

## **9. Little Oak Heath (Allotments/Playing Field)**

### **Playground**

LB to obtain a copy of the signed lease agreement for Little Oak Heath from East Herts Council, copies to then be supplied to all Councillors.

GS is currently investigating planning permission for the site.

Two grant applications have now been submitted, Community Grant and National Lottery Grant, responses awaited.

### **Allotment Association**

Next meeting scheduled for 28<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in Village Hall.

## **10. Finance**

- a. Spending for approval: Approved by all Councillors present, signed for by Councillors M Ryan and R Northcote.

Grant to Holy Trinity Church, Wareside (Approved at meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2016)	£1,404.00
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- b. Bank Statement: Current Account £8,821.92, Reserve Account £5,519.11, Petty Cash: £1.74.
- c. Grant Requests: Request received from Wareside Village Hall, PG proposed and GS seconded that the request be approved, agreed unanimously. Payment signed for by Councillors M Ryan and P Goodman.
- d. Transparency Funding: LB to contact Sue Campbell at HAPTC to determine if the funding currently available for Transparency compliance will cover the purchase of a Projector, PC and Printer for use by the Parish Council

## **11. AOB**

Concern expressed re water pressure and hydrant locations in the village as they appeared to be lacking when three barns caught fire at New House Farm yesterday, MR to contact East Herts Council and Fire Service for feedback.

PG reminded LB that Mark Dunstan had returned from his sabbatical and could now be sent website updates. Councillors who had not already done so, were again reminded that they should forward a profile with photo to LB for inclusion on the website.

**Next meeting date Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 8:00pm in the Village Hall.**

**Meeting closed at 9.20 pm**

**Signed..... Date.....**