

## Warburton Parish Council.

Minutes of meeting held via Zoom (teleconferencing) on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Mr Richard Nicholls, Mrs Clare Grace, Mr Richard Clegg, Mr Mark Priestner, Mrs Lucy Houghton, Mr Paul Beckmann, Mr Bob Jones, Mrs Gaye Fletcher, Cllr Karen Barclay

Apologies: Cllr Claire Churchill

### Minutes.

Minutes of meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> April were duly approved by the Council.

### Matters arising.

There were no matters arising

### New Councillor

The Chair welcomed Mr Bob Jones who has joined the Parish Council. He will be asked to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office book and fill out a Declaration of Interests form. Everyone introduced themselves to the new councillor.

### Finance

Following the approval of the accounts at our last meeting, and in view of the government allowing parish councils a sabbatical from holding their Annual Meeting during this pandemic, the whole council approved the completed Annual Governance and Accountability Return forms for 2019/20. These will be appropriately distributed.

Our statement currently shows a balance of £11,494.58 although two cheques to CPRE (£36) and SLCC (£44) have not yet been presented. This makes our true balance £11,414.58.

### Neighbourhood Plan

We were shown how the landscape had settled since the original Trafford Council plan was issued which only showed historic detail. Warburton Park also had greater significance than had previously been shown. Staff at Cheshire Wildlife Trust had been furloughed until August. More work had been done to the text and more photographs taken.

### Redrow Developments

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Case Management Conference will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> June at which Killian Garvey will be present. He has asked us not to continue submitting Proofs of Evidence until they can all be submitted together. We had received an e-mail from the Planning Inspectorate saying we had not submitted a Statement of Case. We replied this had been sent on 10<sup>th</sup> March and receipt acknowledged. We have also advised the Planning Inspectorate that we have so far not been involved in the Statement of Common Ground although we have repeatedly asked Trafford Council for information. The results from the archaeological consultants employed by Redrow are inconclusive and it is doubtful that more can be done as crops have been planted. Norman Redhead suggests there should be a more complete survey in future.

### Correspondence.

We have written to Trafford Council advising details how monies from Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) could be spent in Warburton.

A letter has also been sent to Amey regarding the state of the pavements. Cllr Barclay has also chased this up and received a reply advising weeds will again be sprayed in June. This is not acceptable as it is the ingress of vegetation onto the pavements which is the problem and she will write to the Leader of the Council about this.

We had received an e-mail from Sharon Booth (Clerk – Partington PC) about fly tipping in Moss Lane and another e-mail from a resident concerned about the proposed development in Barns Lane. We have been chasing Chris Gildea at Trafford about reinstallation of the speed activated warning sign on Bent Lane which, although being highly prioritised, has not been completed. Cllr Barclay will further investigate.

### Planning Applications.

100489/HHA/20 refers to a single storey extension to a house in Paddock Lane. As the closing date for this was the day before this meeting, comments were sought from councillors and as no one had any objections an e-mail to that effect was sent to Trafford Council.

### **Second Notice Board**

The notice board near the cross had been taken down a while back as it was becoming hidden by the hedge. This is undergoing renovation and will be re-erected just behind the fence in the field opposite.

### **Tipping**

The site on Dunham Road (authorised by Bucklow Council in 1970) has been checked. The topsoil tipped recently has not covered the whole area so we are unsure when it will be put back for agriculture. It is a watching brief. The Neighbourhood Plan will need to have a policy about this.

### **Cross Base**

Two companies have been approached for quotes to repair our historic cross base and organisations for funding researched. Another company, more local, was suggested and we will inquire from them also.

### **Refuse Bins**

Although a letter has been sent to two dwellings in Warburton asking that their refuse bins are returned to their gardens, the residents have not complied. As we have no policy laid down for the enforcement or the issuing of fines we will pass this on to Trafford. Cllr Karen Barclay has kindly agreed to further enquiries with Trafford Council.

### **Memorial near Heathlands Farm**

It would appear people are still gathering at the impromptu memorial at the junction of Moss Lane and Warburton Lane. A photo will be sent to Cllr Barclay who will take this matter up with Trafford Council.

### **Vehicle Accident Log**

The parish council started keeping records of accidents in the village as official records do not truly reflect the numbers of accidents, only those involving fatalities. On 6<sup>th</sup> May a cyclist had been knocked off their bike in Townfield Lane, near the river Bollin, and on 25<sup>th</sup> May a fatal accident occurred between a cyclist and a red car at the junction of Dunham Road and Warburton Lane. It had been noted that during lockdown, with fewer cars on the road, people were exceeding the speed limits. We will invite Trafford Highways and the police to visit Warburton and highlight to them the dangers of excessive speed particular to Warburton, the dangers of the four junctions on Paddock Lane and Warburton Lane and the lack of pedestrian access in Dunham Road. Trafford will be liable if there is an accident on this derestricted road. We are determined to keep pedestrian access in Warburton safe. The speed activation sign by the Saracen's Head only shows vehicles moving at 50mph though the speed limit is 40mph.

### **Any Points of Interest**

Amanda Oakden from Chadkirk Consulting, is convening a meeting between the planners and architect and the Parish Council regarding the letter sent to Trafford Council about the development proposal in Barns Lane. Trafford had not referred to Warburton's Village Design Statement. We still do not have a permanent clerk and two leads have emerged. Enquiries will be made. An invitation had been sent to Warburton from the Partington Bi-Weekly Wellbeing Group set up to help people during this pandemic. There had been reports of a white transit van with a roof rack fly tipping in the area but photos taken couldn't identify the exact location. We had received an application from the Marie Curie charity but this will be addressed at our next meeting.

### **Parish Magazine**

Notices for the magazine are on hold as production has stopped during this pandemic. We await further news on its future publications.

### **Dates of next meetings:**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2020.



Chairman  
Date 07/07/2020