

## Warburton Parish Council.

Minutes of meeting held in the Parish Rooms on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Mrs Clare Grace (CG), Mr Mark Priestner (MP), Mrs Lucy Houghton (LC), Mr Paul Beckmann (PB), Mr Bob Jones (BJ), Mrs Gaye Fletcher (GF), Cllr Karen Barclay (KB)

**Apologies:** Mr Richard Clegg (RC), Mr Tim Fairbairn (TF), Cllr Mussadak Mirza (MM)

### **Minutes.**

Minutes of the council meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> August were approved.

### **Matters arising.**

There were no matters arising.

### **Finance**

Our balance stands at £11,528.75. We have confirmation from Trafford that they have received our accounts for publication but these are not yet updated on the website.

### **Warburton Toll Bridge**

Investigations are still continuing into the purchase of a Teleram (or similar) vehicle monitoring camera. Further to Peel Ports pre-consultation, they have reached out to Cllr Graham Gowland (GG) for an informal personal meeting on 13<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> September. GG suggested a joint approach by Lymm, Warrington, Dunham Massey, Partington & Warburton Councils and the Toll Bridge Action Group with representation of one or two persons from each. LH & TF would be Warburton's representatives. There was doubt that Peel Ports have reports of the annual inspection of the toll bridge required and it was understood that when repairs & maintenance do take place there would be traffic lights installed with one way traffic only. We have written to HRMC about the VAT number displayed on the toll bridge daily tickets. An e-mail has been sent regarding the charging for multiple journeys across the toll bridge when we understand the maximum charge for multiple journeys is 25p per day.

### **LGO Complaint**

We should receive a response by the end of next week.

### **Neighbourhood Plan**

Our application for a grant has been successful but the timescales for the next steps are pretty tight. Our submission has to be in by the end of March. The NP would need to be in compliance with Trafford's Local Plan. In principal, there would be a strong possibility of housing in the LP, but with the NP in place we could address the design codes and insist on a more rural design rather than the regular house building that developers want to construct. Any design should be tailored to Warburton. Our VDS would be a useful tool in this. There should be a further Housing Needs Survey as we had in 2005.

With regards to the Heritage List Project there is now a website. Kate Spencer is still hoping to visit and open up more dialogue. Two further buildings to be added are the old stone Warburton Bridge and the Toll Bridge Cottage. We will enlist help from Mike Nevell who could identify more A-framed buildings in the parish. The cantilever bridge might also be an item for inclusion. Enquiries are being made to Trafford regarding village signs.

### **Road Safety**

No further road incidents have been reported although there were obvious signs that two vehicles had left the carriageway in Townfield Lane. We learn the Inspector is anxious to introduce speed monitoring in Warburton though Risk Assessments have first to be carried out. Perhaps Dunham Massey & Warburton could join forces for any training in this area. The electronic sign is now on order.

### **Bus Service Cat 5A**

We have residents that are being heavily impacted by this change in bus route. A reply by TfGM has been forwarded to Sir Graham Brady. This identifies that the Little Gem 287 bus service has been revised to include the western side of Bowdon, Dunham Massey and Dunham Woodhouses, but this still means a 25 minute walk to Dunham Hall and does nothing to restore the bus service in Warburton. There is a Local Link bus which needs to be pre-booked at £2.65 per journey or a

weekly ticket of £20. Officially they quote that the journeys have to start in Dunham though elsewhere TfGM quote 'the rural part of this area'. We are asking residents to test this out. The revised route is taking the bus service down Moss Lane which is not designed for multiple bus journeys. This narrow country lane is already becoming heavily congested with bus routes 247, 5A and now 5 and in places vehicles such as this cannot pass each other in safety. Once we have more information from residents we will approach the press.

### **Neighbourhood Watch (NW)**

Names have been compiled and a meeting will be arranged so that everyone will understand how the scheme is intended to work

### **Cross Base**

Nothing further to report at this time.

### **GMSF/PfE**

Since Stockport opted out of the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework, the remaining nine areas, Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Tameside, Trafford and Wigan have devised a Joint Development Plan Document called Places for Everyone (PfE2021) There is a new consultation taking place between 9<sup>th</sup> August and 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021. This development plan is flawed with inaccurate details regarding housing needs and land use, lack of respect of climate change, pays no heed to carbon neutral objectives and has had no community involvement. We will write to Trafford voicing our objections and everyone was urged to respond individually.

### **HS2**

A letter from Lord Berkley to Simon Case (Cabinet Secretary) had been circulated. As TF was unable to attend the meeting we had no further information with regard to the proposed bridge height. Marion McNaughton had responded to Muhammad Gous's email following their Mitigation Methodology presentation but rejected any further dialogue until more information was available. We will invite Andrew Stephenson, Minister for HS2, to visit Warburton.

### **Correspondence**

- letter received from Manchester Airport advising their development programme.
- We were advised that Trafford have cleared the drains causing flooding to homes in Paddock Lane
- A letter has been sent to Amey regarding a winter programme of clearing overgrown pavements in Warburton.
- Advice of a consultation from TfN regarding their Decarbonisation Strategy

### **Planning Applications.**

105316/HYB/21 Carrington Power Station. We have written to the planning authority highlighting concerns of increased traffic if a Green Hydrogen Power Plant is built. Also there are many hazardous sites in the vicinity and it was pointed out that any weakness in safety protocol would have catastrophic consequences. There has still been no meeting with P O'Connor regarding P/A 103511/FUL/21 at Yew Tree Farm. It was decided we would write to the applicant advising our concern and wanting to understand the scheme better. There have been a series of further submissions on 16/2, 18/2, 26/2, 27/4, 12/5 and 1/6. P/A 105382/VAR/21 (Barns Lane) requested change of use from agricultural buildings and 105547/VAR/21 (Onion Farm) requested changes to include roof lights, a sky light, window placement, etc.

### **Points of Interest**

There was issue with the manufacture of our compost bags & transport. In view of increased traffic it is imperative that Warburton Lane and Dunham Road are made safer for pedestrians.

### **Date of next meetings:**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Chairman's signature

dated