

# *WAREHORNE PARISH COUNCIL*

## Minutes of Warehorne Parish Council Planning Meeting Warehorne Village Hall 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Present:

Councillors: Mrs M Keenan (Chairman), Mrs K O'Leary-White, Mrs P Jones,  
Mr J Saunders, Mr R Henderson

Crabtree & Crabtree Limited: Mr G Crabtree

Clerk: Miss A C Beach

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Cllr Keenan confirmed that Crabtree and Crabtree Ltd is holding a public exhibition between 2.30pm and 7.00pm on Wednesday 1 March 2017 at Victory Hall, Hamstreet, to outline plans for a housing development on land at Warehorne Road, Hamstreet.

Mr Crabtree confirmed that draft layouts, transport and access plans and results of initial environmental surveys and representatives will be present to answer your questions.

Mr Crabtree provided layout plans and explained how the site had been moved slightly to allow for an overflow flood pond which will provide extra drainage due to flood risk area that has been identified.

Cllr Keenan voiced her concerns about traffic lights and suggested that as an alternative a right of way system is generated. Mr Crabtree will consult with his highways advisor regarding the feasibility of the suggestion.

Mr Crabtree explained that he now had an option to purchase extra land next to Hamstreet Academy which could be used to provide a site for car parking for the Academy. Orlestone PC are in favour of another playing field and he believes this will be there.

Cllr Keenan explained the ongoing problem of speeding on Warehorne Road and how children have to cross over at the Warehorne Road/Church Lane crossroads and the Parish Council would like a marked bus stop; recognised by Stagecoach. Mr Crabtree was asked if there was the possibility of generating a pull in. He agreed to look into it further, discuss with his highways advisor and see if the speed limit could be altered. The PC would like an actual marked bus stop recognised by Stagecoach. He asked if there was the possibility of a dedicated pull in. He agreed to look at it further and discuss with his highways advisor and see if the speed limit could be altered and assist with the cost.

Cllr Jones asked if they would be able to provide grass-crete blocks and base around the village hall to allow easier access to the rear of the building, Mr Crabtree said he believed this was possible.

Cllr Henderson left the meeting at 7.00pm

Cllr O'Leary-White asked again whether the footpath along Warehorne Road would be extended which Mr Crabtree confirmed and went on to explain that the occupants of the four houses by the school had agreed in principle to allow access to the rear of their properties to allow rear access to the school. Cllr Keenan explained this would be a safety issue and does not believe the Governors will agree to it.

Asked if the proposed site will include affordable housing Mr Crabtree confirmed that approximately 40% of the properties will fall into this category and will be scattered over the site. Once approved he believes the build will start in Spring 2018 and take 18 months to complete.

There were no further questions, Cllr Keenan thanked Mr Crabtree for attending and he left the meeting at 7.10pm

The meeting closed at 7.15pm