

Warehorne Parish Council

Minutes of Warehorne Parish Council Meeting

Warehorne Village Hall, 21st November at 6.00pm

Present:

Councillors: Mrs M Keenan (Chairman), Mrs K J O’Leary-White, Mr R Henderson,
Mr J Saunders.

Ashford BC: Cllr A Hicks

Cllr Bradford

Clerk: Miss A Beach

Members of Public: 1

		ACTIONS
269	Apologies Received Mrs P Jones i. Declarations of Interest, Pecuniary or Other than Pecuniary, in accordance with the Council’s Code of Conduct None declared ii. To approve or reject any application put to the meeting by the Chairman in respect of Members seeking a dispensation under the Localism Act 2011 S.33 No dispensation sought iii. Request that Cllrs. or any other persons present declare if they intend to record any of the proceedings using any video or audio recording device or camera No requests made.	
270	Public Session No items raised	
271	To confirm Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st November 2016 Agreed and signed	
272	Matters Arising from Previous Meeting Restoration of Warehorne sign Item deferred to next meeting to allow for further investigation of damage and obtain estimate.	J Saunders to action

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273	<p>Potential Development – Crabtree Developments Cllr Hicks advised the councillors of the importance of asking the developers for contributions to improve facilities for the village, this could include improvements and/or extensions of pavements; village hall upgrades etc. Councillors to consider and discuss at the next meeting.</p> <p>Richard Henderson asked who is responsible for ensuring spaces are available at the local school, doctors and to ensure the developers take this into consideration. Cllr Bradford explained that under Agreement 106 set amounts are dedicated to communal facilities and is the responsibility of cultural services.</p>	
274	<p>Speeding Concerns Cllr Bradford asked if any response had been received from KCC regarding the independent report. The clerk confirmed that none had been received, Cllr Bradford will progress.</p>	Cllr Bradford to action
275	<p>Planning <i>Application Ref:</i> 16/00487/AM01/AS <i>Proposed Amendment:</i> Non-material amendment to planning approval 16/00487/AS (Side & Rear extensions). Change of roofing materials from clay tiles to slate and change of use of remaining attached garage to habitable space. <i>Status:</i> Decided <i>Council Decision:</i> Amended plans approved</p> <p><i>Tree Preservation Order:</i> TPO/16/0012 <i>Description:</i> Mature Scots Pine within Warehorne Leacon Conservation Area in the grounds of the Grade II listed property, Gold House. <i>Council Decision:</i> Approved</p>	
276	<p>Malthouse Lane Further to Cllr Hicks request for an update of the current situation an email was received from Senior Planning Enforcement Officer, Joanne Alexander, confirming that the Enforcement Notice was issued on 2nd July 2015 and as the steps within the notice have not been complied with the matter is being progressed. <i>Appendix A attached.</i> Cllr Hicks confirmed this was ongoing and Ashford BC are awaiting further information.</p>	

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277	<p>Dog Waste Bin Ashford BC have confirmed that dog waste can now be placed into normal litter bins and no further action is required.</p>	
278	<p>English Rural Housing The required soil samples have been taken and we await further updates.</p>	
279	<p>Correspondence Invitation from Cllr Hicks to forward questions and/or attend Ground Water Management & Flood Protection Task Group on 13th December. <i>Appendix B attached.</i> Richard Henderson will check is availability. KCC Highways & Transportation Survey. <i>Appendix C attached.</i> Maggie Keenan confirmed she had completed and sent the survey</p>	
280	<p>Workplace Pension Under current legislation the Council is required to offer a pension provider to the Clerk. After discussion the Clerk accepted NEST as the provider, Maggie Keenan to contact payroll.</p>	M Keenan to action
281	<p>Caretaker Scheme The Clerk confirmed that the last contribution to the scheme was for £300 in June 2015. Councillors' agreed that this should continue at the same rate and issued cheque accordingly.</p>	
282	<p>Electronic Security The Clerk highlighted that no security is in place on the Councils' lap top and obtained costs to cover all areas and cloud storage. Prices for one year contracts are: Bullguard £69.95 McAfee £89.99 Norton £59.99 Councillors' agreed that this should be purchased and the Clerk will action without delay</p>	AB to action
283	<p>Authorise payments Clerk's salary (A Beach) £161.20 Caretaker Scheme (Wittersham PC) £300</p>	

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Working Party Reports

Finance – The Monthly Transaction statement was presented by the Clerk, agreed by Council and signed off by the Chair.

2017-18 Precept Budget Meeting arranged for Monday 28th November at 7.00pm, Councillors’ agreed to accept the Chairman and RFO proposals to allow the precept application to be made without delay.

Highways

No highways issues were reported.

Public Rights of Way

No issues to report.

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Date of next meeting of the Parish Council

19th December 2016 at 6.00pm

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Items for Information

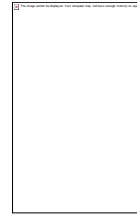
ACTIONS

**MK/RH/AB
to action**

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 6.35pm

Oct 18

Joanne Alexander <joanne.alexander@ashford.gov.uk>



Dear Ms Beach

I understand that the parish raised a query with Councillor Hicks at the Parish meeting yesterday evening concerning the above site. Cllr Hicks has asked that I update you.

You will be aware that an Enforcement Notice was issued on 2nd July 2015 at the above site in respect of the use of the land, inter alia, for the stationing of a porta cabin for residential use; the storage of motor vehicles and plant unconnected with agriculture; and the erection of timber fencing and gates.

The steps within that enforcement notice have not been complied with and this is a criminal offence. The Council invited the relevant persons to attend an Interview Under Caution, however this was not attended. The Council is looking to take legal action against this breach and I in the process of gathering the evidence and preparing a legal case concerning this offence. I appreciate that this may be taking longer than expected, however, I assure you that this matter is being progressed.

Kind regards

Joanne

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APPENDIX A

Councillor A K Hicks

Chairman – Ground Water Management and



ASHFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL

To:

All Parish Councils in the Ashford Borough

All Community Forums

Flood Protection Task Group

Ward Member for Weald South

16th November 2016

Dear All

Re – Ground Water Management and Flood Protection Task Group – Tuesday 13th December – 10am – Council Chamber, Civic Centre

I have arranged a meeting of the above Task Group for the 13th December when we will be hearing from the engineers from the Romney Marsh Internal Drainage Board and the Board for the catchment area of the River Stour about their work in water management. The Environment Agency will also be sending a representative to talk about their work and we hope that a representative from KCC Highways will be in attendance. The session will be in the form of a verbal presentation followed by a Q&A for the Task Group Members.

I wondered if you would like to send a representative from your Parish Council/Community Forum to hear what these engineers have to say about water/flood management. As outside members I can only invite you to attend as observers but if you have any burning questions please supply me with a copy and I will endeavour to include it during the meeting.

It would be most helpful if you could let me know in advance if your Parish/Forum will be sending a representative.

Yours sincerely

Cllr A K Hicks

Chairman – Ground Water Management and Flood Protection Task Group

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APPENDIX B

Laura Dyer <manager@kentalc.gov.uk>

Nov 21

Dear Member

Just a final reminder to let you know that the Parish Tracker Survey is closing on Friday 25th November. If you have already submitted this, then thank you. The survey is attached in "Word" format and should be returned to iain.norman@kent.gov.uk, or alternatively you can go to the link at the very bottom of this email from KCC and again submit to iain.norman@kent.gov.uk. Kent County Council thanks you for your help.

Kind Regards

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APPENDIX C