

## **Wardington Parish Council**

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7:30pm in the Lady Wardington Room at Wardington Village Hall

**Present:** Mr R Jarrett (Chairman), Mr G Page.

**In attendance:** Clerk, District Cllr Chapman, 0 members of the public

Due to there only being 2 councillors present the council is inquorate so no decisions can be made. It was agreed to continue with the meeting to provide the information/feedback for relevant items but any items requiring a decision must be deferred to the next meeting.

**94.Apologies for absence** – Apologies received – Cllr Nigel Bankes, Cllr Malcolm Patterson.

Apologies accepted – None.

**95.Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda** – None.

**96.Public participation session** – None.

**97.To approve the minutes of the PC meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024** – Defer to next meeting.

**98.Outstanding matters/actions from previous meetings**

- 98.1 HS2 update – There have been a number of road closures recently and more to come as this year is expected to be a particularly busy year for HS2 and road closures. HS2 have been keeping the community up to date about the plans and any changes to plans due to weather etc.
- 98.2 Defibrillator/CPR training session – Cllr Burnett is looking into this but is not present to provide an update.
- 98.3 Maintenance/repairs to the Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) in the village – Cllr Bob Jarrett is waiting for SWARCO to confirm if the limit on the VAS can be reduced to 20mph. Once a response is received the PC can then inform Highways and request a repair/replacement to the VAS.
- 98.4 Update on bench outside the Churchyard – The bench has now been installed.
- 98.5 Update re concerns raised by parishioners about the state of the grass outside Post Office Cottage, Mount Pleasant, due to vehicle access – The Clerk has chased planning enforcement but no update has been received. A planning application is in progress that may cover some of the concerns raised so this may explain why there is no update from planning enforcement.

**99.Play Area**

- 99.1 Play equipment safety inspection – Defer to next meeting as Cllr Lexi Gordon-Finlayson is not present.

**100.Notification received from the contractor (Nigel Prickett) that due to increasing costs the price per cut is being increased from £335 to £358 from 1st April 2024** – Noted but cannot be confirmed as accepted without a quorum of councillors present. Defer to next meeting.

**101.To consider a response (if any) to the Cherwell District Council Planning Application**

**Validation Consultation** – A decision cannot be made on this item but it will not be deferred to the next meeting as the deadline for response will have passed.

**102.Planning applications received**

**24/03601/F and 24/03602/LB - Butlers House, Street From Centre To North West, Williamscot.**

Install new external oil boiler with balanced flue to replace broken internal oil boiler. Install new hot water tank within existing roof space. **No objection.** (Response made using delegated powers).

**24/00109/TCA - Butlers House, Street From Centre To North West, Williamscot.** T1 x Larch - Fell

because tree is dead. We do not intend to replant due to proximity to house and overhead electricity wires. **No objection.** (Response made using delegated powers).

**24/00184/F and 24/00185/LB - Wardington Manor, Thorpe Road, Wardington.** Rectification works to the existing failing structure of the stables building. **No decision could be made due to no quorum so the Clerk will submit a no objection response using delegated powers.**

**103.Planning decisions received**

**23/02021/TCA - St Mary Magdalene Church, Street From Banbury Road To Mount Pleasant,**

**Wardington.** T1 - Yew - Dead Standing by Church boundary wall - Section Fell to ground level leaving stump. **Approved.**

**23/02840/F - The Old School, Wardington.** Porch extension. **Approved.**

**23/03481/TCA - Wardington Lodge, Wardington. T1 (Holm Oak)** - large and grown only to one side. Now has a large split in it at the lowest union with a huge amount of weight on it. Application is to remove the tree down to a 12 foot stump and to be left for insect habitat. **Approved.**

**23/03574/AGN - Dsy Uk, Top Dawkins, Wardington Road, Wardington.** Erection of a steel portal framed agricultural building extension, matching design, construction and materials of existing adjoining barns. **Prior approval not required.**

**104.Finance**

104.1 To note the bank balances and cashbook balances as at 07.02.2024 – Noted.

**Bank balances**

PC Current	£358.00
PC Savings	£25,754.31
Uncashed cheques	-£20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£26,112.31</b>

	<b>WPC Main</b>	<b>Williamscott</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Cashbook balances as at 07.02.24</b>	£18,834.86	£7,257.45	<b>£26,112.31</b>

104.2 To note and approve payment of the following invoices already paid using delegated powers: Defer to next meeting.

25.01.24	Kirsty Buttle	Salary Jan	£453.81
25.01.24	HMRC	Tax Jan	£5.80
31.01.24	NEST	Pension Jan	£17.61

104.3 To note the following receipts: Noted.

15.01.24	Barn Farm Plants	Warbler advertising	£48.00
19.01.24	Tuthills	Warbler advertising	£60.00
24.01.24	The Pilates Place	Warbler advertising	£45.00

29.01.24	Funeral Partners (Humphris)	Warbler advertising	£75.00
05.02.24	EH Douglas	Warbler advertising	£60.00

104.4 To approve payment of the following invoices: Defer to next meeting.

Parish Magazine Printing	Warbler printing	£347.00
Kirsty Buttle	Salary February	£453.81
HMRC	Tax February	£5.80
NEST	Pension February	£17.61

**105.Information exchange - None.**

Meeting closed @ 8pm

**Date of next meeting – 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

Signed..... Date.....