Parish Council of Waresley-cum-Tetworth

Minutes of Meeting Thursday, 21 June 2018, 8.00 pm,
Waresley Village Hall

Present: E Jack (Chair), J Archer, M Gordon, R Jerman, J Lawton
In attendance: County Councillor Julie Wisson, District Councillor Richard West, David Morgan (WcTPC Tree Warden), Louise Wigan, Margaret Scott, Douglas Scott
Minutes taken by: S Sullivan

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76. Apologies for absence None.
77. Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interests Councillor Lawton declared an interest in Item 82.
78. Minutes of parish council meeting on 10 May were read out to the meeting by Councillor Lawton. They were APPROVED and signed as a correct record.
79. Minutes of planning meeting on 29 May were read out to the meeting by Councillor Lawton. They were APPROVED and signed as a correct record.
80. Matters arising from those minutes not on the agenda

Item 50 It was noted that E Jack had approached David Morgan with a view to continuing as Tree Warden and that he had agreed to this.
Item 62b Planning Application in respect of the Gliding Club the decision was awaited.

81. Open Forum

County Councillor Wisson reported that there had been updates to the A428 improvements – an environmental impact statement had been prepared, traffic modelling and air quality monitoring carried out. Preferred route would ~~not~~ be announced until ~~November,~~ after which further consultation would ensue. The new route was not expected to be ~~finished~~ until 2021. However, a pot of money was immediately available to grant aid traffic calming measure in villages likely to be affected. She would email the Chair with contact details.

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District Councillor West reported that the District Council was focusing on improving customer service through use of a call centre telephone service 01480 388388 and a customer service centre that was the first point of contact and working n collaboration with Citizens Advice Bureau and Department for Work and Pensions; ensuring that the website had up-to-date information and facilities for on-line payment for services; working with other organisations in the district; making the most of new technology; commercialisation – creating new ways of making money, and improving staff values – inspirational, collaborative, accountable, respectful and enterprising.

82. Planning 18/01088/HHFUL and 18/01089/LBC. Proposal: Demolition of the rear porch to create an orangery extension (Amendment to previously approved application 17/02091/HHFUL) Waresley Cottage Eltisley Road Waresley Sandy SG19 3BS Councillor Lawton remained in the room to answer any questions from Councillors. It was noted that not all the plans

appeared to have been uploaded to the Planning Portal. The Parish Council SUPPORTED the application, because it would improve the aspect – proposed by J Archer, seconded by R Jerman.

83. Measures to reduce speeding traffic – (brought forward from Annual Meeting). The suggestions put forward at the Annual Meeting were discussed. It was AGREED to pursue a buffer zone of 40 mph at both ends of the village. ACTION: J Archer to register for a Local Highways Improvement bird. ACTION: J Lawton to investigate A428 grants.

84. Highways R Jerman said that, using the Portal, he had reported the worn road markings near the Duncombe Arms.

Gransden Road Ditch. J Archer reported that good progress was being made and he was continuing to liaise with relevant parties. The Chair thanked him for his efforts.

85. Wall of old churchyard (Brought forward from previous meeting.) Councillor Gordon had submitted a report to the Parish Council describing the assessment of the state of the wall, and the repair work that was required. A reliable contractor had been found. It was AGREED to commission work to the value of £500 plus VAT if applicable. Proposed by J Lawton, seconded by E Jack. if possible £4.

86. Tree maintenance old churchyard. The Chair invited David Morgan to speak. Mr Morgan said that he had nearly completed a plan of trees in the churchyard and would be providing this to the parish council in the near future. It was AGREED that quotations should be sought for the first phase of tree work and that the availability of grant aid for a more wide-ranging project should be investigated. ACTION: David Morgan to obtain quotations; E Jack to check records to verify ownership of churchyard. (To be brought forward to next meeting.)

97. Monuments – Pump at Manor Farm Road Junction E Jack reported that work was in hand.

98. Dog waste/Litter bins E Jack reported that emails to the District Council had been unanswered until she contacted Councillor West – the Council's response, however, had not addressed all her questions. She had learned that price for collection services would be £252.74 per bin per annum. Councillors felt that such expenditure could not be justified.

99. Streetlights It was noted that all the lights were now working and it was AGREED that KK&M Lighting's invoices should be paid. It was further AGREED that quotations should be sought for a three-year lighting maintenance contract – one had already been received from K&M Lighting. Proposed by J Lawton, seconded by M Gordon. ACTION: Clerk to contact Andy Muskett for quotation.

100. Horse & Rider Sign It was noted that County Council Highways had been reminded to invoice Parish Council, and asked to clarify position. It was AGREED that the Parish Council had a moral duty to return donations, if the County Council decided not to invoice.

101. Employment of Clerk It was noted that n response had been received to the advertisement placed in *Roundabout.* It was AGREED to advertise the vacancy in the Ganlingay Gazette and to pursue personal contacts. One quotation had been received for the supply of HMRC Payroll services and Pension registration. Councillor Wisson offered to forward the contact details of another professional supplier. ACTION: Councillor Wisson.

102. Finance The following payments were APPROVED: Clerk's Services £227.25, expenses – postage £8.04, stationery £55.09, K&M Lighting, £594 and £156; Huntingdon District Council £75 electoral expenses for uncontested election. Proposed by J Archer, seconded by M Gordon.

103. Training None.

104. Summary of meeting for *Roundabout* Councillor Jerman offered to do so.

105. Date of Next Meeting Tuesday, 4 September 2018 (Clerk to prepare a timed agenda)

Meeting closed 10.00 pm