

Wareside Parish Council

Minutes of Wareside Parish Council Meeting
Thursday 17th March 2022 held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr Paul Goodman (PG) (chair), Cllr Jane Moseley (JM), Cllr Shu Pillinger (SP) and Cllr Mike Ryan (MR)

Others: Rebecca Burdick (Clerk) (RB)

Members of the public: None

The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.30pm

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllr Kim Nicholson (KN) and Cllr Stuart Richards (SR)

2. Declarations of interest and dispensations:

a) To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda (including non-pecuniary).

None

b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests.

None.

c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.

None.

3. To receive petitions, comments and questions from the public

None.

4. Planning

a) To consider planning applications received between 17th February 2022 - 17th March 2022

Application: X/22/0103/CND

Proposal: Discharge conditions 3 (Windows for Building 12), 4 (Doors for Building 12) and 5 (Weatherboarding) attached to 3/18/2782/LBC.

At: New House Farm Wareside Ware Hertfordshire SG12 7QT

WPC comments: None

Application: 3/22/0457/HH

Proposal: Demolition of garage. Erection of new detached double garage with a first floor games room.

At: 32 Coanwood Cottages Babbs Green Wareside Ware Hertfordshire SG12 7RT

WPC comments: Submitted

Application: 3/22/0530/HH

Proposal: Demolition of conservatory. Erection of a single storey side/rear extension incorporating 2 roof lanterns

At: 8 Coanwood Cottages Classified Road C41 North From Tatlingtown To Junc With Fanhams Hall Road Babbs Green Wareside Ware Hertfordshire SG12 7RS

WPC comments: None

b) To review planning decisions made by EHDC

None.

5. To receive reports from County and District Councillor

Cllr Eric Buckmaster's shared his report via email. See Appendix for full report.

6. To receive updates from Councillors/Clerk on:

a) Little Oak Heath

General

i. Grounds maintenance - having reviewed the costings for work on LOH for 2022 it was unanimously resolved to proceed with all suggested work.

Heath Area:

i. No updates

Playground

After advertising for volunteers from the community, to help manage the playground, unfortunately no volunteers came forward at this time. Discussions were had amongst the PC with regards to how best to proceed with ongoing maintenance, particularly around whether a fence is necessary. It had been previously agreed that the fence would be removed. However, with JN visiting the playground (and reporting back specific damage) and after further discussion, it was agreed for now the fence should be repaired with the gate being removed. RB to give Chris replacement fencepost purchased previously and ask him to repair fencing.

b) Other ongoing projects

i) Maintenance of Village Greens and Trees - The tree surgeon JN originally visited the pieces of land with has now been sent the maps so he can go to assess the land and trees from a safety perspective as well as detail which trees need help and what can and can't be removed. JN also informed the PC that a lot of trees in the parish are covered in ivy. SP suggested that once the "Wareside walks" map has been designed, walks could be organised using the map on which ivy is removed from trees.

9. To discuss and confirm Jubilee plans

Kay Kerr informed PG that she is no longer pursuing the idea of organising an event on the Queen's Jubilee weekend due to the size of the task and lack of time to do so. The PC agreed it is a large undertaking in a short space of time. However it was agreed that something should be done to mark the occasion. After a discussion of possible ideas, it was agreed the best approach would be rather than a specific event on the weekend of the Jubilee - of which there are many in the local area - two events within the year would be done to mark the occasion - the "Walks in Wareside" map as being published in the Jubilee year will be framed as a Jubilee map, with a treasure hunt organised on publication and a tree will be planted in LOH with an accompanying plaque.

8. Finance

a) To approve signing of orders for payment online via BACS

Payee	Work done/goods received	Amount
Rebecca Burdick	January Salary	£274.28
E-scapes Landscapes	Grounds maintenance	£364.00
TP Jones and Co	Payroll	£57.50
Community Heartbeat Trust	Annual support cover	£162.00

9. Urgent matters not included on this agenda (for full discussion on the next agenda)

None.

Meeting finished at 10.00pm

Next meeting 21st April 2022 at 19.30

Signed:

Chairman Cllr Paul Goodman

Appendix

Item A - Cllr Eric Buckmaster - County and District report for March 2022

Planning at East Herts On 22nd February East Herts Council Development Management Committee met to determine the Central and Eastern River Crossing plans connected with the proposed Harlow and Gilston Garden Town developments. The Neighbourhood Plan Group, residents and I made verbal representations. Members unanimously agreed the Central crossing. Three members voted against the Eastern crossing but the majority were in favour. The meeting commenced at 5:30pm and concluded at 12:15am. This was following a full day at County Council including agreeing the budget and precept for 2022/3

The Harlow DMC met on 23rd Feb to determine the same applications, and which were also agreed.

Hertfordshire County Council has recently submitted its bid for government funding to support the introduction of over 20 electric buses in Stevenage.

The Zero Emission Bus Regional Areas (ZEBRA) scheme is a central government initiative to help local transport authorities introduce zero emission buses, together with the infrastructure needed to support them. The county council, in partnership with bus operator Arriva, were successful with their initial proposal and have now submitted their final business plan. A decision on whether the plan has been successful should be known by March 2022.

The ZEBRA scheme funding would see a total of 27 of Stevenage's ageing diesel bus fleet replaced with new electric ones, which should be in service by 2024.

Hertfordshire Dementia Strategy 2022-2027 | Hertfordshire County Council

Hertfordshire Dementia Strategy 2022-2027 | Hertfordshire County Council Hertfordshire County Council, East and North Hertfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Herts Valleys Clinical Commissioning Group are developing Hertfordshire's Dementia Strategy for 2022-2027. The strategy is being Co-produced with the support of carers and individuals with dementia, and our statutory, voluntary, and independent sector partners, and will be signed off in 2022 by the County Council and the two Clinical Commissioning Groups.

We want to ensure that the voices of people with dementia, and their carers, shape how we use our resources most effectively to enable good quality of life for people with dementia, and to ensure that our services and communities are accessible to everyone.

We want to know what you think is important in ensuring that people with dementia and their carers and family receive the right support

Hertfordshire Mental Health Strategy 2022-2027

We're developing a strategy to make sure every adult in Hertfordshire gets the help they need to enjoy good mental health and wellbeing.

The strategy will set out how health, social care, housing, public health and voluntary sector services will work together to help everyone in our community achieve this.

Consultation start: 21 December 2021

Consultation end: 31 March 2022 (4pm)

We'd like your views on the following draft priorities and themes. We developed these through workshops and focus groups with service users, carers, and health and care system partners.

- Do you think they're the right things to focus on at this time?
- Is there anything missing?
- What feedback do you have about mental health services in Hertfordshire?

After the 12 week consultation period, we'll develop a detailed action plan setting out how we will work together to achieve these objectives. If you'd like to stay involved, [Have your say on the draft mental health strategy](#)

Foster carers are needed to offer a supportive home to birth parents and their child.

Hertfordshire County Council is urgently looking for people to become Parent and Child foster carers. This is a specialist type of fostering where a parent and their own child stay in your home to have extra support and guidance to help them develop their childcare skills

Ideally, Parent and Child foster carers should have experience and skills in working with teenagers as well as babies or young children, as the majority of parents are teenagers. Parent and Child foster placements typically last 12 weeks with ongoing support when the parent and baby return to the community.

When fostering for Hertfordshire County Council, you will receive specialised training, as well as comprehensive support and generous pay and allowances. To become a foster carer in Hertfordshire, you must be over 21 years old, and have at least one spare room at home.

To find out more, visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/parentandchild or call the fostering team on 0800 917 0925.

[Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service's new recruit 'Loki' follows in the paw-steps of one of the UK's longest-serving fire investigation dogs](#)

After 10 years of faithful service with Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service, Reqs will be winding down his duties once young Loki – named after the famous Marvel character – is fully trained to use his super-human powers to sniff out the causes of fires.

Just like his more experienced colleague, beautiful black Labrador Loki underwent a rigorous vetting and selection process, ensuring the right temperament and skills for this highly specialist work. He is one of only 16 fire investigation dogs in the country who are specially trained to detect ignitable liquids, commonly referred to as accelerants, which include liquids such as petrol, white spirit, and lighter fluid.

During his impressive career in the fire service, Loki's predecessor Reqs has provided evidence from fire scenes resulting in a combined total of over 250 years of imprisonment for convicted offenders, demonstrating the importance of his role to fire investigators and the criminal justice system.

Hertfordshire County Council's dedicated Highways and Fire and Rescue teams who worked around the clock to keep the county safe during last week's storms, have been commended by Chief Fire Officer, Alex Woodman. During Storm Eunice and Storm Franklin Monday the Highways team received a total of 747 highway fault reports, 272 of which were emergency calls. A total of 292 needed a high priority response in just 24 hours. Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue received 241 wind-related calls and attended 119 emergency incidents.

Public consultation opens for Brookfield Riverside and Garden Village in Cheshunt

Development Partners, Borough of Broxbourne, Hertfordshire County Council and Sovereign Peveril Brookfield Limited are developing the masterplan for the new town centre and 1,500-home scheme at Brookfield.

The public consultation has launched and will close on 21 March. Three separate planning applications for the overall site will be submitted later in 2022.

Information and a feedback form are available online. A series of five events are also taking place for the local community to find out more and ask any questions they may have before giving their views. The three planning applications will comprise:

Brookfield Riverside

Sovereign Centros along with its development partner Peveril Securities are progressing plans for a sustainability focused, lifestyle-led, mixed-use retail and leisure development to create a new town centre for the Borough of Broxbourne. Plans include proposals for an exciting mix of shops, cafes and restaurants along with new leisure concepts at the heart of the town centre. Designed to integrate into the local natural surroundings, the development seeks to open up the New River waterway to create a waterside focal point where plans for a civic hub, landmark office development and hotel are also proposed.

Brookfield Garden Village

Hertfordshire County Council and Borough of Broxbourne are proposing plans for a garden village to include local facilities and services including:

- Up to 1,250 new homes, including up to 40% affordable housing
- A three-form entry primary school
- Open space for leisure and recreation
- A neighbourhood centre containing local shops and facilities
- The relocation of the Halfhide Lane gypsy site and allotments, the recycling centre and Borough of Broxbourne's depot
- A blue light services hub

Cheshunt Golf Course

Parts of the golf course will be re-configured to make way for a new road into Brookfield Town Centre. The golf course will remain an 18-hole course.

The plans can also be viewed online at www.brookfield-consultation.co.uk

East Herts Projects in my Portfolio

Hartham Leisure Centre Work continues on the refurbishment of the pool and is anticipated to open in the Spring. A temporary Gym has been set up and demolition and construction of the new extension should commence by the end of March.

Hertford Theatre additional funding from New Homes Bonus Reserve agreed to offset inflationary pressure of £4m since Covid.

Budgets Both East Herts and HCC have been going through very extensive budget examinations with officers and members towards arriving at balanced budgets during extremely difficult times of cost escalation owing to the impact of covid. Both are now approved. Inflation currently seems to be running at around 6 percent even before the Ukrainian crisis and is affecting councils of all sizes across the country. My portfolio at County is increasing resource/ support for Sustainable Hertfordshire as well as Countryside Rights of way and in the Lead Local Flood Authority. We are also having significant capital investment in Waste Disposal infrastructure and Recycling Centres, In other areas a substantial sum will be put in place to support Adult and Children's social care, support for Domestic Abuse Services and greater emphasis on Prevention Services to support individuals and families. Also to increase wages of care workers.