# Wareside Parish Council

Minutes of Wareside Parish Council Meeting Thursday 25th July 2024 held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr Nicola Gildersleve (NG), Cllr Paul Goodman (PG) (Chair), Cllr Bob Kerr (BK) Cllr Kim Nicholson (KN), Cllr Kerry Raworth (KR) and Cllr Mike Ryan (MR).

Others: Rebecca Burdick (Clerk) (RB)

Members of the public: Eight members of the public were in attendance.

The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.30pm.

#### 1. To receive and accept apologies for absence

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

Parishioners in attendance wished to discuss the White Horse Pub. One parishioner spoke on behalf of those in attendance. He explained that they suspect a breach of planning rules at The White Horse Pub in Wareside. Parishioners believe that the ex-landlady and owner of the building is living at the property. The accommodation above the pub is ancillary to the building's main use as a pub. As the building is not being used as a pub and is now permanently closed and up for sale, this would be a breach of planning rules. The accommodation should not be lived in if the pub is not open for business. With this in mind those in attendance would like the Parish Council to report this potential breach to EHDC via the online form.

PG thanked the parishioners for attending and for their comments, the PC would need to discuss this further, however PG reminded everyone that each parishioner could report the suspected breach as individuals and comments from the PC do not hold any more weight.

The parishioners thanked the PC for their time and left the meeting.

Discussions were had between councillors with regards to the suspected planning breach parishioners disclosed. RB noted that she was unsure if any decision regarding contact with EHDC as requested by the parishioners could be made at this meeting or if the decision would have to be made at a separate meeting under a specific agenda item. RB wished to seek advice from HAPTC. Councillors expressed the need for this to be dealt with asap so that an extraordinary meeting could be held in August if necessary. RB to contact HAPTC and organise an extraordinary meeting in August if necessary.

#### 4. To approve and sign meeting minutes

a) Thursday 20th June 2024 - approved by all Councillors present and signed by PG

# 5. Planning

a)To consider planning applications received by EHDC received between 20th June - 25th July 2024

#### Application: 3/23/2469/FUL

**Proposal:** Erection of two dwellings (affordable - shared ownership), containing air source heat pumps and solar panels, with associated parking and landscaping. At: Land Adj. To 12 Hillside Cottages Ware Road Wareside Hertfordshire SG12 7RA **WPC comments: None made.** 

#### Application: 3/24/1276/FUL

**Proposal:** Erection of three two-storey, four bedroom detached dwellings with new vehicular access way, internal access road and landscaping. **At**: Great Cozens Fanhams Hall Road Ware Hertfordshire SG12 7PU **WPC comments:** None made.

b) To review planning decisions made by EHDC received between 20th June - 25th July 2024

Application: 3/24/1007/HH \*\*Amended\*\*
Proposal: Erection of detached cart lodge.
At: Wareside Lodge Ware Road Wareside Hertfordshire SG12 7RB
EHDC decision: Granted

#### Application: 3/24/1076/ARPN

**Proposal:** Change of use from an agricultural outbuilding to 4 dwelling houses **At**: Wareside Lodge Ware Road Wareside Hertfordshire SG12 7RB **WPC comments: Prior approval refused** 

# 6. To receive reports from County Councillor and District Councillor

County Cllr Eric Buckmaster emailed his monthly report - please see appendix for full report. No District Cllr report received.

# 7. To receive updates from Councillors/Clerk on:

a) Little Oak Heath i. LOH Maintenance None

ii. Playground maintenance

Broadmead Leisure has completed all requested repair works, next inspection is in August.

#### b) Larkshill

KR noted that she had begun clearing pathways up to the top of Larkshill. She asked if E-Scapes Landscapes could continue keeping these paths clear. RB to action.

#### 8. To receive update on telephone box refurbishment

KR updated the council that she may know someone who is able to undertake the external paintwork refurbishment of the telephone box and KR believes it will be within the PC's budget. If the PC is happy with this suggestion they will visit the telephone box and he will prepare a quote for the PC. The council confirmed they were happy with this suggestion.

#### 9. To discuss preliminary work undertaken on communication within the village

BK has contacted the housing agencies who manage homes within Wareside to discuss communicating with new tenants when they move into the village. Other work on

communications is ongoing. NG reported that she has spoken to the company she works for and they would be happy to print off a monthly/quarterly newsletter for free for the Parish.

## 10. Finance

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

| Payee                                | Work done/goods received     | Amount  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|
| Rebecca Burdick                      | Salary (June)                | £274.28 |
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| E-Scapes Landscapes                  | Grounds maintenance (June)   | £372.00 |
| E-Scapes Landscapes                  | Grounds maintenance (May)    | £372.00 |
| Broadmead Leisure                    | Repair work                  | £252.00 |
| Broadmead Leisure                    | Bi-monthly inspection (June) | £78.00  |
| TP Jones and Co                      | Payroll                      | £63.40  |
| Accountancy & Bookeeping<br>Services | FY23-24 internal audit       | £135.00 |

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

None.

# Meeting finished at 9.00pm

Next meeting 19th September 2024 at 19.30

Signed: .....

Date: .....

**Chair Cllr Paul Goodman**