

Warburton Parish Council.

Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 16th January 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Mr Paul Beckmann (PB), Mr Richard Clegg (RJC), Mr Mark Priestner (MP), Mrs Lucy Houghton (LH), Mrs. Rosemary Cummings (RCFC), Cllr Michael Whetton (MW), Mrs Gaye Fletcher (GF).

Apologies: Mr. Bob Jones, Ms Clare Grace

PB chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Minutes had not been prepared from the meeting on 19th December 2023 but that would be rectified.

Neighbourhood Development Plan (NP)

There had been a briefing meeting with AECOM to define what more needs to be done. There are a list of items on the website and a further meeting to be held in January

Road Safety

The road safety report from SCP Transport had been circulated before the meeting and comments sought. GF would advise MP of serious incidents included in the Traffic Incident Log since December 2022 for inclusion in the report. MP would refer back to SCP to advise them of our comments on traffic calming measures, improving the traffic flow in Carr Green Lane and views about the Dunham Road pavement alongside our error flagging, etc.

Pavements/Footways

We have a quote from Peter O'Connor of £257,763.69 for the provision of a replacement pavement to DoT standard along Dunham Road or £69,544.18 for resurfacing with tarmac planings (not to DoT specification.) PB commented that Trafford is unlikely to approve anything not to DoT standard. However, it could be done in three stages – the bridge to Carr Green Lane (west), Carr Green Lane (west) to Carr Green Lane (east) and Carr Green Lane (east) to The Beeches. RCFC would liaise with Dave Roberts about the price of weed suppressant for the vegetative ingress along the pavement in Dunham Road. She would also speak with Gabby Backhouse for advice on the statutory position and formal action against TBC regarding the lack of pavement.

Signage and Heritage Trail

Contact has been made with Trafford regarding the siting of signage with two of our suggested locations needing further consideration. These will be discussed with Andrew Hague at our next meeting

IT/Communications/Engagement (ICE)

RCFG is to update the Drive and upload recent documents. PB is to locate any relevant policies for updating. RCFC is also to provide further training where necessary.

Planning

A validation request by Trafford on the application from Heathlands Farm was received but there was nothing further to add to our comments made when the Application No. 109839/FUL/22 had been made originally. PB though is to speak to the owner about the Georgian Group objection and

suggest including a feature to represent an existing door. PB would also take the opportunity to speak to the owner about the Planning Officer's (PO) view of the planter memorial and whether the PO would be prepared to get Trafford Planning to enforce their Memorial Policy. There was nothing to report regarding P4E

Finance

Thanks to MW we now have better understanding of CIL monies and it has been made clear that details of how CIL money is spent should be published annually. We still have £48,186.72 in the bank. RCGC would add a Finances folder to the Google Drive. Although the bank has e-mailed application forms for a more suitable account to include online banking for payments over £500 the Business Internet Banking Registration Forms sent are not suitable for an organisation such as ours as they need details of corporate directors, the company registration number, when the company was registered at Companies House, etc. Further enquiries will be made.

Others

Cadent have been undertaking more surveys. We have not yet had a response to the letter we sent to the bus company. Over the Christmas period (CE to NYE) there had been a burglary and a stabbing in Partington.

Points of Interest

United Utilities have been in the area looking for resilience in view of climate change, gauging water courses and water levels. MW is to look into how we can log "Assets of Community Value"

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