

## Wheathampstead Parish Council

### Community Involvement Committee 22 October 2018 19:30

Present:	Councillors	L Halford G Clark D Davies E Habib S Haynes D Johnston O McKenzie T Reason T Ryan P Woodhams	Chairman
		J Warren	Clerk to the Council
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#### **5827-18 Apologies**

None.

#### **5828-18 Public Speaking**

None.

#### **5829-18 Specific Declarations of Interest & Dispensations**

Councillor Halford declared a personal interest in Minute 5837-18, as membership secretary for the Wheathampstead and District Preservation Society.

#### **5830-18 Minutes of Community Involvement Committee of 5 Sept**

Councillor Woodhams proposed, seconded by Councillor McKenzie and it was agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2018 be approved.

##### **Resolved:**

**To confirm the Minutes of the meetings held on 5 September 2018 to be a true and fair account and for these to be signed by the Chairman.**

#### **5831-18 Community Grants**

There being no grant applications it was agreed that this be deferred to a later meeting should any applications be received.

#### **5832-18 Armistice Centenary events**

Further to Minute 5779-18 it was reported that a number of events were planned for the weekend of 10-11 November 2018 principally at the Memorial Hall and St Helen's Church. Banners had been printed and the commemorative version of the Pump distributed. The Pump had been well received by many and was a good example of partnership working between the History Society, who undertook all the research, and the Events and Communications Administrator who undertook all the artwork and design.

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### **Resolved:**

**To thank those involved in the commemorative events.**

#### **5833-18 Death friendly village**

Jo Corscaden presented her ideas for making Wheathampstead a death friendly village. This would include 'last wishes' workshops where conversations about death and dying could be undertaken. The underlying idea was remove some of the mystery and fears surrounding death and in so doing enable the community to better support those dying and or dealing with the death of a loved one.

It was agreed that a morning workshop be run at the Memorial Hall for councillors and community members, advertised and booked through Eventbrite.

The Chairman proposed, and it was agreed, that a pilot course be run in the Hewitt Room.

### **Resolved:**

- **To thank Jo for her report.**
- **To facilitate a pilot course in the Hewitt Room.**

#### **5834-18 Bury Green Garden**

It was reported that with the help of the WDPS the Bury Green Garden had been planted and was much admired. Expenditure remained within the annual budget.

Planting alongside the crinkle crinkle wall in the Tithe Barn Yard had also been undertaken by volunteers, whom it was agreed should be presented with green volunteer award badges and certificates. All volunteers to be thanked.

Proposed by Councillor Reason, seconded by Councillor Habib, and agreed.

### **Resolved:**

- **To note the report.**
- **To thank the volunteers.**
- **To present award badges and certificates to those who tended the garden in Tithe Barn Yard.**

#### **5835-18 Bus report**

Further to Minute 5781-18 it was reported that the inter-parish bus group had a scheduled meeting with the new St Albans District Council portfolio holder Councillor Salih Gaygusuk, County Councillor Annie Brewster and local Member of Parliament Bim Afolami to share their concerns about bus services to the villages.

Wheathampstead Parish Council recognised the need for a Sunday bus service, crucial particularly to the young, elderly and workers on low incomes who did not readily have access to their own vehicles. The service was at risk of reduction/ removal

Councillors were in favour of potentially supporting the idea of part-funding a Sunday bus service. This would be a one off payment (in 2019-20) to secure the future of the service, not a long term

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commitment and subject to all parties (Sandridge PC, Redbourn PC and St Albans District Council) committing

There would also be the expectation that there was a future plan to include where the buses went, when, and marketing/ advertising of the service.

Proposed by Councillor McKenzie, seconded by Councillor Clark, and agreed.

### **Resolved:**

- **To note the report.**
- **Wheathampstead Parish Council recognised the need for a Sunday bus service, crucial particularly to the young, elderly and workers on low income who did not readily have access to their own vehicles.**
- **To support in principal the idea of part-funding a Sunday bus service as a one off payment (in 2019-20) to secure the future of the service, not a long term commitment.**
- **It was subject to all parties (Sandridge PC, Redbourn PC and St Albans District Council) committing funds and subject to a future strategy to include identifying bus routes, times and marketing/ advertising the service.**

### **5836-18 Crinkle Crankle Garden and Tithe Barn Yard Update**

Further to Minute 5782-18 quotations were awaited. It was agreed that these be first considered by the working group alongside recommendations for the Tithe Barn.

### **Resolved:**

**To refer matters in the first instance to the working group.**

### **5837-18 River Project – East Lane Car Park Enhancement Scheme**

Further to Minute 5783-18 Councillor Reason proposed, seconded by Councillor Davies, and agreed that this be deferred to Council at its meeting on 1 November.

### **Resolved:**

**To defer to Council on 1 November.**

### **5838-18 Heritage Trail leaflets**

Further to Minute 5784-18 it was reported that the village centre rather than walks maps had been printed. These had now been taken into storage. The Clerk was thanked for negotiating printing of 10,000 walks maps in addition to the 20,000 incorrectly printed village centre ones for the budgeted amount of £3,000.

### **Resolved:**

**To note the reprint of 20,000 Heritage Trail (village centre and 10,000 walks leaflets at a total cost of £3,000.**

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### **5839-18 Youth and sports update**

It was agreed to set up a meeting with the Wheathampstead Wanderers FC regarding pavilion facilities.

**Resolved:**

**To note the report.**

### **5840-18 Project and task review**

The report as circulated was considered.

**Resolved:**

**To note the report.**

### **5841-18 Budget report**

**Resolved:**

**To note the report.**

**The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21:50**

**Dated this                      day of                      2018**  
**Chairman**