

## Wheathampstead Parish Council

### Community Involvement Committee 5 September 2018 19:30

Present:	Councillors	L Halford G Clark S Haynes D Johnston O McKenzie T Reason T Ryan P Woodhams	Chairman
		J Warren	Clerk to the Council
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#### **5775-18 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillors D Davies and E Habib (personal reasons).

#### **5776-18 Public Speaking**

None.

#### **5777-18 Specific Declarations of Interest & Dispensations**

Councillor Halford declared a personal interest in Minute 5782-18, as membership secretary for the Wheathampstead and District Preservation Society.

#### **5778-18 Minutes of Community Involvement Committee of 2 July**

The Chairman proposed, and it was agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 July 2018 be approved.

##### **Resolved:**

**To confirm the Minutes of the meetings held on 2 July 2018 to be a true and fair account and for these to be signed by the Chairman.**

#### **5779-18 Remembrance Day events**

District Councillor Sandra Wood attended as part of the working group considering commemoration of the centenary of the Armistice and Remembrance Day. She gave an update on Wheathampstead History Society's research project (Wheathampstead during the Great War 1914-1918, the grant obtained from the Heritage Lottery Fund and thanked the Parish Council and other contributors for their support. Councillor Reason proposed, seconded by Councillor Ryan, and it was agreed that up to £100 be spent on banners, designed by the office, advertising the weekend events. Printing and copying would also be undertaken in-house.

##### **Resolved:**

**To approve design and printing of banners for the Armistice Centenary events, and printing and copying of posters.**

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### **5780-18 Commemorative Bench**

It was reported that the segments of the felled oak tree trunk had been moved to the bench site in Rectory Meadow earlier that day. Benches were to face approximately east towards the play area and south towards the churchyard to benefit from views. A table sat between them. Discussions on inscription and design followed including idea for 'Wheathampstead Remembers' '1914-1918' and insignias of the armed forces. Councillors wished to remember both the fallen and those otherwise involved in the community for example for the birth of women's rights, changes in social structures.

The Chairman proposed, and it was agreed, that councillors Halford and Reason work with the wood carver and office to approve the carving.

#### **Resolved:**

**Councillors Halford and Reason work with the wood carver and office to approve the carving of the benches and table.**

### **5781-18 Bus report**

It was reported that the inter-parish bus group had met with the new St Albans District Council portfolio holder Councillor Salih Gaygusuk who shared their concerns about bus services to the villages. It was suggested that the group meet with County Councillor Annie Brewster and local Member of Parliament Bim Afolami.

#### **Resolved:**

**To note the report.**

### **5782-18 Crinkle Crankle Garden and Tithe Barn Yard Update**

It was reported that quotations had been sought for the groundworks for the Crinkle Crankle Garden. Jackie Gough to be asked to clarify a few queries including regarding drainage. Following advice from St Albans District Council a Certificate of Lawfulness had been applied for to confirm the works to the Garden as stipulated in the transfer agreement.

Electricity had now been installed to the Tithe Barn, internal connection was scheduled including installation of lighting.

#### **Resolved:**

**To note the report.**

### **5783-18 River Project – East Lane Car Park Enhancement Scheme**

It was reported that the Wheathampstead and District Preservation Society hoped to have sourced grant funding of £3,000 from London Luton Airport's community fund, and £1,000 each from Aviva and Verulam Angling Club.

Councillor McKenzie proposed, seconded by Councillor Ryan, and it was agreed, that the Parish Council put £1,000 towards the project

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plus up to an additional £2,000 (total £3,000) to underwrite its completion.

**Resolved:**

- **To note the report.**
- **That the Parish Council guarantee £1,000 with up to an additional £2,000 to underwrite the river project's completion.**

**5784-18 Heritage Trail leaflets**

Further to Minute 5766-18 Councillor Clark proposed, seconded by Councillor McKenzie, and it was agreed, that 20,000 Heritage Trail walks leaflets be reprinted at a cost of £2,380.

**Resolved:**

**To reprint 20,000 Heritage Trail walks leaflets at a cost of £2,380.**

**5785-18 Youth and sports update**

The Chairman reported that she intended to speak to Top Hat regarding their involvement with parish activities.

Councillor Reason reported that one of the trustees for the James Marshall Trust had stepped down. On a previous occasion a feature in the Pump has generated a number of useful enquiries. It was agreed that an article be included in the winter Pump.

**Resolved:**

**To note the report.**

**5786-18 Budget report**

**Resolved:**

**To note the report.**

**The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21:40**

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