

## Warkton Parish Council

Minute taker - Jane Pettit 07779449404

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on zoom Wednesday 13th August 2020.

Councillors present: Vicki Lamb, Mark Rowley, Paul Wharin (Vice Chair)  
Also present.

3 members of the public and Jane Pettit (minute taker).

192. Paul Wharin, Vice Chair welcomed everyone stating Cllr Wolsey had resigned as Chairperson. Cllr Rowley proposed Cllr Lamb as Chairperson and Cllr Wharin seconded. Cllr Wharin thanked Cllr Lamb for taking office.

Meeting to Chairperson Cllr Lamb.

193. Appointed Jane Pettit as minute taker. Noted Cllr Lamb was pleased of the offer of minute taker.

194. There were no apologies.

195. There were no Declarations of Interest.

196. There were no comments from the members of the public.

197. Borough Councillors Report. Cllr Rowley reported all was quiet due to Covid-19 planning meetings were twice a month and there had been 35 applications. Kettering R rate was lowered but the advice was still

- 1) work from home
- 2) meet people outside
- 3) stay two meters apart
- 4) don't meet inside.

Wellingborough and Corby cases were on the rise.

Shadow Unitary 150 councillors zoom meeting was 1st March and the next one will be next week. Portfolio holders 10 executives nominated by the Government.

198. Rural forum Report nothing to report.

199. EKLF nothing to report.
200. Village Hall. Cllr Wharin reported that Jim O'Conner was checking the hall weekly. New meeting 14th August 2020 and two new members have joined. Cllr Lamb asked that a list of contact numbers be given to the Parish Council.

The defibrillator was in Cllr Wharin's garage and it can be placed on the new extension of the hall, without planning permission, due to the listed building, of the original hall. Cllr Wharin to follow up with Lorraine. Cllr Lamb asked if the church was paying for the installation but it seems they wanted to assist with the training of the use. Cllr Lamb will discuss with a Warden.

201. Approval of the minutes of 13th May 2020 approved Cllr Wharin seconded Cllr Rowley.
202. Matters arising. Boughton Estates have inspected the listed wall on Violet Lane and it will be repaired but it will take time due to the cost. Cllr Lamb asked that it be recorded of the Parish Councils concerns, as the poor condition of the wall, as stone is still falling.
203. Financial matters. £51 due for annual subscription for the web site via Cllr Rowley. Cllr Wharin approved Cllr Lamb seconded.
204. Clerk, Sue Cook, has resigned but has offered telephone advice as needed. Cllr Lamb and Wharin to attend the bank to change signatories. Democratic Services at Towcester to guide the council through employing a New clerk.
205. Planning Charlie and Flora Scott to address the meeting. Wanted to speak to the council before submitting planning application but was given short notice so application went in on 6th August. Charlie is the Duke's son and they want to live locally. Charlie is working hard on MBA and social public enterprise. Diversification of the Estate. Want to demolish and rescue Old Gamekeepers Lodge and out buildings Amass footprint of what's there but smaller. Seven bedrooms, self-sustainable - solar panel driving ground source heating pump. Reinstate Old Avenue. Productive walled garden.

1. Be part of estate and local life.

2. Live sustainably.

3. Enhance ecology and biodiversity

Will forward documents for the Parish Council to look at and invited Cllr to attend and look. To be forwarded to other Cllr's and in Geddington. Cllr Rowley would not comment as is on the planning committee. Date agreed 26th August at 4pm.

206. Co-opt two new Cllrs. Noted there should be 10 villagers requesting an election of new councillors but no elections due to Covid 19. Must wait until 27th August for any applications to electoral services. Ian White to contact Cllr Wharin after this date, if no interest, then two people who qualify can be co-opted and how to proceed. Cllr Rowley suggested a Special Meeting for this to be completed.
207. If special meeting completed next full quota meeting booked for 4<sup>th</sup> November, on zoom, at 7pm. Cllr Lamb asked member of the public, Graeme Thomas if he wanted to ask anything but he was observing. Meeting closed by the Chair who thanked all who attended.

Approved by Warkton Parish Council as an accurate record of decisions made: