

# Warkton Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Warkton Village Hall on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Councillors Present	Vicki Lamb, , Paul Wharin, Hazel and James Woolsey (Chair)
Also Present	2 members of the public and Sue Cook (Clerk)

85. **Apologies had been received from Cllr Rowley and were accepted.**
86. **No Declarations of Interest were raised.**
87. **A member of the public** asked if a notice could be put in the next Village Newsletter advertising the Parish Council Meetings. The Clerk agreed to do this.
88. **Reports-**
- a) No report available from **Kettering Borough Council**
- b) **Cllr Wharin reported on the Rural Forum meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October which both he and Cllr Woolsey attended** – It was confirmed that the contents of grit bins were solely to grit highways and not pavements or resident driveways. John Ellerby spoke about the lost of the Rural Bus Services The meeting noted that NCC subsidies for bus services across the county had ceased with effect from 21st July 2018 and the bus strategy that formed part of the Northamptonshire Transportation Plan been rewritten to state that NCC would no long provide such subsidies, although it retained a statutory duty to subsidise school transport. Councillor Nick Richards from Wilbarston provided details of the work undertaken by the parish to reinstate a bus service that had ceased operation in the summer. He reported that a total of nine affected parishes from two different boroughs had collaborated to arrange and fund a twice weekly, 23-seater bus service, with Market Harborough the destination on a Tuesday and Corby on a Friday. It was resolved that NCC would facilitate a meeting for all parties interested in discussing the possibility of the creation further rural community bus services with the Chair drafting a letter of invitation. The meeting heard details of the powers which police could act against unauthorised encampments, this being Section 61 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994. Kettering Borough Council’s powers to act should an unauthorised encampment move onto Council owned land fell under Section 77 of the aforementioned act. It was noted however, that County Court Orders needed to be obtained and this procedure took a greater length of time than police enforcement outlined above. In addition, the Council had a statutory duty to take into account the circumstances of the families on unauthorised camps prior to taking action. In consequence, KBC had traditionally looked to the police to form a view of the need to utilise S61 powers. A number of temporary unauthorised encampments in Kettering town during the summer had resulted in a significant number of target hardening works being undertaken to prevent further illegal access at locations including Northampton Road, Ise Lodge and Weekley Glebe, with ongoing considerations as to further preventative works at Meadow Road and North Park. Cllr Woolsey has submitted a 3 page response to David Pope (KBC Administrator) for distribution to Village, Borough and County Councillors. It was noted that the next meeting of the Rural Forum would take place on 31st January 2019.

- c) Cllr Lamb reported that there is a meeting of the **EKLF** tomorrow evening (6<sup>th</sup> December) – Persimmon continuing to build, new pipework is being laid along Barton Road. Cllr Lamb confirmed that the new traffic lights will be linked so that traffic flows smoothly and hopefully relieve the congestion around Wickstead Park.
- d) Cllr J Woolsey gave the **NHW** report– Thankfully nothing much happens in Warkton whilst a lot of the NHW reports are in Kettering it is always worth reading them because it will make you more cautious with your own security. Please ensure that now the darker nights are here that all external doors and windows are locked, don't leave wrapped presents on view through a window and please don't leave anything on show in cars.
- e) Cllr H Woolsey gave the following report for on the **Village Hall** – There have been several bookings for wedding receptions, baby showers, funeral “wakes” and birthday parties which are boosting funds. James and I met with The Duke on October 24<sup>th</sup> to discuss the most suitable location for the Defibrillator and signage for the hall. The signage options have been submitted for The Duke and Boughton Estates approval. The Duke was asked about the completion of the car park. The following day we received notification that this has been included in the budget for the 18/19 financial year and will include improving the areas adjacent to the outbuilding and disabled parking signage on the verge closest to the village hall. The Film Nights are being well attended the next film night is 18<sup>th</sup> January when we will be showing “Mama Mia 2” and 15<sup>th</sup> February the film will be “Ethel & Ernest”. The Christmas Dinner is on December 15<sup>th</sup> with Mel Peake performing Sinatra Classics as well as 50's, 60's, 70's and 80's party songs.
89. **The Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018** were approved and signed as a true record by Cllr J Woolsey.
90. **Action points** arising from Minutes of last meeting-
- Several Councillors attended the Greenbelt Festival and were happy with the event.
  - VAS Sign – Cllr J Woolsey has been in contact with Solagen, Swarco and Elan City for prices for 2 moveable ones.
91. **Finance-**
- The Councillors resolved that the precept should remain at £1000 for 2019/20.
  - The Clerk confirmed that there is currently £1527.25 in the current account.
  - It was resolved to pay the following in line with relevant legislations

Sue Cook	Clerk Salary	£210.10	Chq 100332
HMRC	PAYE	£52.40	Chq 100333
DM Payroll	1 <sup>st</sup> Half Year Admin Fee	£30.00	Chq 100334
Sue Cook	Reimbursement of ICO Registration	£35.00	Chq 100332

92. **Planning: No new plans have been received.**  
**Planning Applications approved by KBC since August 1<sup>st</sup> 2018: KET/2018/0549** – no decision has been made, however it is thought that amendments to the plans have been submitted to KBC but not to the Parish Council. The Clerk agreed to try to find out.
93. **Correspondence/Training/Events - all noted**
- Rural Forum Draft Minutes
  - Consultation on draft Local Offer for Care Leavers
  - NCALC E-updates
  - Defibrillator DS2 Locked Cabinet
94. **There were no Matters arising from previous meetings not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda for discussion**
95. **There following items/business were discussed as future agenda items.**
- The Church has agreed to go 50/50 on purchasing a Model DS2 Defibrillator from First Aid Warehouse for £550 Inc. VAT.
  - The Grit Bin on the slope will not be removed and will be filled by NCC at no charge.

- c) Cllr Woolsey has had an on-site meeting with Joh Daft who has agreed to allow the Community Payback Team to carry out the siding out and other items in the village.
- d) Two Street Lights are not working and KBC will contact E-on to get them repaired.
- e) There has been a complaint from a Churchgoer asking for the Wall around the Village Hall to be lowered, the Clerk has replied stating that the Wall does not belong to the Parish Council. All correspondence regarding this matter to be forwarded to Boughton Estate.

96. **The date of the next meetings will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019 in the Warkton Village Hall with the Annual Meetings being held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

This being all the business Cllr J Woolsey closed the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

<b>Approved by Warkton Parish Council as an accurate record of decisions made:</b>		
<b>Signature of Chairman :</b>		<b>Date: 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018</b>

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