

## WATFORD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 5th March 2020

**1. Present** – K Cox (Chairman), G Dent, A Haywood, D Solomon, Clerk - Sue Porter and 4 members of the public

**1.1 Apologies** – B Childs, P Incley, J Powell, S Osborne (NCC/DDC)

**1.2 Approve Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 6th February 2020** – It was proposed by G Dent, seconded by A Haywood and all voted in favour that the minutes were an accurate record of the meeting and were signed and dated by the Chairman.

**1.3 Declarations of Interests – Personal or Prejudicial** - Nil

### 2. MATTERS ARISING

**2.1 Flooding in the Village – Update from Ian Boyes (NCC Highways)** – Confirmation has been received by e-mail that the flooding by the Long Buckby/West Haddon triangle still needs to be resolved by NCC Highways, however at present NCC are dealing with flooding which is affecting properties as a priority.

**2.2 Trees at the old Stags Head** – A Haywood confirmed that there are no trees on the development with TPO's; therefore there should be no concerns from the PC over the work which is being undertaken.

### 3. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS - Nil

### 4. REPORTS FROM THE PARISH COUNCILLORS

**G Dent** – There were concerns raised during public time in February, about the terms and conditions of the Village Hall lease. The Clerk provided the signed version that was held on file to G Dent, this did not support the alleged breach. Andrew Eden's agent then advised this may not be the complete version and said he will provide a copy of the lease to the Clerk. A copy will also be provided to the Village Hall.

**K Cox** – Due to concerns raised at the February meeting, it was confirmed to A Haywood that the sale of the Henley Arms was undertaken at auction by executors of the estate.

### 5. BUSINESS

**5.1 Community Defibrillator – Village Hall** – Further donations have been received for the sum of £60.00. The Chairman will make a bank transfer into the PC bank account. The defibrillator is now installed at the Village Hall and registered with the East Midlands Ambulance Service. Training will be arranged to the local residents.

**5.2 Village Hall** – G Dent has been appointed as the Village Hall PC Representative. The Committee will attend the April PC meeting and provide the latest news update from the Village Hall, along with the financial information.

**5.3 Parish Council Elections – Thursday 7th May 2020** – The Clerk will circulate the nomination papers and these need to be completed and returned to DDC by 7th April 2020. If more than 7 persons apply, there will be an election on the 7th May.

**5.4 Mobile Speed Camera** – The Chairman circulated the details on the M-SID Vario device which is proposed for the village. This device is battery powered, comes with LED warning display, data logging and Bluetooth capability, lockable mounting kit, battery and battery charger. All for the sum of £2,495 plus VAT. Additional lockable mounting kits are available for £45 plus VAT each. Additional Batteries are £48 plus VAT. Delivery Charge £69 plus VAT. The decision will be made at the April meeting.

**5.5 Request for funding from Citizen's Advice, Daventry & District** – It was agreed by all that this is a valuable service and the requested sum of £150.00 was approved and will be paid at the April meeting.

**6. FINANCE**

It was approved by all that the following accounts be paid:

**6.1 Approve Accounts to be paid:**

<b>Chq No 1297</b>	S Porter	Clerk's Salary – Feb 2020	£ 201.80	LGA 1972 s112
		Clerk's Expenses – Feb 2020	£ 22.75	LGA 1972 s112
<b>Payments Received:</b>				
<b>Nat West</b>		Interest	£ 1.75	

**Bank Balances**

**(as at 31/01/2020) - £ 10,505.29**

**7. PLANNING**

**DA/2019/1107** – Installation of 2.4m high galvanised palisade security fencing to parts of site perimeter and entrance – **Units 2 & 3 Watling Park, Station Road, Watford**

**No Objections**

**DA/2020/0079** – Installation of digital advertising unit – **M1 Service Area, Watford Gap Northbound, Station Road, Watford**

**No Objections**

**8. PUBLIC TIME - Nil**

**Date of next Parish Council Meeting – Thursday 2nd April 2020 - 7:45pm**

**Meeting Closed: 8:10pm**