

COUNCIL BUSINESS

In accordance with the measures announced by the Government, the Council has taken a number of decisions.

Meetings

Meetings of the Council have been suspended for the next 12 weeks but the situation will be kept under review as advice is updated by the Government. Any decisions that would have been made by the Council or a Committee while meetings are suspended have been delegated to the proper officer (the Clerk) after consultation with the relevant Council or Committee Chairman and those Members with e-mail access.

The Council will also determine its comments on planning applications in this way. Details of all planning applications submitted to Huntingdonshire District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council that affect Warboys can be found on their websites. The Parish Council will take into account the information available on those website at the time that it makes its own decision.

A record of decisions that would normally have been taken by the Council and its Committees will be published on the Council's website.

The Annual Parish Meeting due to have been held on 22nd April 2020 has been cancelled.

Council Business

The Clerk will be working from home and can be contacted as usual by e-mailing clerk@warboysparishcouncil.co.uk or by writing to 2 Blenheim Close, Warboys, PE28 2XF (telephone 01487 823562).

Parish Centre

The Parish Centre has been closed for 12 weeks, subject to review as advice emerges from the Government. Individual hirers will be notified and all deposits returned. Please bear with us as we try to deal with all of the steps that need to be taken in the current emergency. The Council apologises for any disappointment caused for people planning parties etc. and hopes that people understand the reasons for the decision.

VE Day 75

Members of the Council have been working with representatives of other village organisations since July of last year to provide a host of events over the VE Day 75 weekend. These have been postponed and VE Day 75 celebrations nationally will not now take place in accordance with Government advice. It may be possible for them to be re-arranged for the 75th anniversary of VJ Day in August but this will be dependent on emerging Government advice.

Playgrounds

The playgrounds at Adams Lyons, Jubilee Park and Orchard Close are closed in accordance with the Government restrictions and should not be used.

Litter Bins

The Council will be reviewing the situation with regard to the emptying of litter bins in the village. The Government's instructions about being out in the open air are clear. If you do go out for the limited occasions permitted, please take your litter home with you and avoid using the litter bins around the village as much as possible.

Grass Cutting

The cutting of grass in the larger playgrounds are undertaken by external contractors. The Parish Council also cuts several of the highway verges and some smaller open spaces in the village to keep

Warboys looking attractive. We all enjoy the village looking well-maintained but this is not a priority in the current circumstances. The Council is not therefore intending to cut grass in those areas or ask for volunteers in the light of the Government's very clear instructions about being outside in public, except for certain very explicit reasons.