# Walton on Trent Parish Council

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# MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14 March 2022 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

<u>PRESENT</u> Councillors P Byron (Vice Chair), H Hearn, R Mizuro, C Mousley, M Rafferty, Parish Clerk, Cllr S Swann (DCC) and Councillor A Wheelton (SDDC).

Cllr P Byron welcomed everyone to the March meeting and announced that in the absence of Cllr A Barnes he would be the chairing the meeting.

# 21/193 To receive apologies for absence

Cllr A Barnes.

#### 21/194 Variation of Order of Business (if any)

None.

#### 21/195 Declaration of Members Interests

None disclosed.

### 21/196 Public Speaking

Cllr A Wheelton stated that her updates had been forwarded by email and circulated to the Councillors.

Cllr S Swann stated that he had forwarded his report by email but he had an update report on the Bridge and By-Pass, which was circulated. The report indicated a possible start date for the work as 4 July 2022, however there was still some outstanding design and flood modelling to be completed.

Cllr S Swann's report also highlighted that the DCC had now approved parish councils to purchase and deploy their own Speed Indicator Devices and that the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) had also launched a Grant Scheme to accompany the DCC policy initiative.

A discussion then followed about the PCC Grant Scheme and the possibility of submitting applications for a MUGA on the park, the renovations to the village hall and the introduction of a Community Garden at the rear of the village hall.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to approach Liz Gumbley to prepare suitable applications for PCC grants for discussion at a future council meeting.

#### 21/197 Chairman's Announcements

None

21/198 To confirm the minutes of Walton on Trent Parish Council meeting held on 7 February 2022.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7 February 2022 be approved as a true record.

#### 21/199 Clerks Report

a) Review of Outstanding Resolutions/Actions - Appendix A

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council noted all the outstanding Resolutions/Actions and agreed with all entries marked as Completed.

# b) Correspondence

i. Community Club - Request – The Walton on Trent Community Club, consisting of over 50 villagers have requested financial assistance for the hire of a coach to go to Trentham Gardens.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that on this occasion they would be prepared to pay 50% of the cost to hire a coach to a maximum of a £200 donation.

*ii.* **Women's Institute – AGM –** Information that the meeting of the W.I. on 29 March 2022 will be the last ever meeting of the Walton on Trent Women's Institute after just celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> year.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council requested that the Clerk write to the Chair of the W.I. thanking them for the years of service and that it will be a great loss to the village.

iii. Flood Liaison Meeting – The next meeting of the Flood Liaison team is to be held on Friday 13 May 2022.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to attend the next meeting

# 21/200 Planning matters for consideration

None submitted for consideration

#### 21/201 Finance

#### a. Accounts for Payment

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to make the following payments.

Payee	Expenditure	£	Payment
Bcosy Heating Ltd	VH – Kitchen Boiler / Cooker / Fire service	150.00	BACS
EDF Energy	VH - Gas	87.00	Direct Debit
British Gas	VH - Electricity	68.36	Direct Debit
Parish Clerk	Expenses – Microsoft - Amazon	92.32	BACS
Sth Derbys CVS	February Wages	564.22	BACS
SDDC	Dog Bin Service	267.70	BACS
F. Raffi	Return of VH Deposit	100.00	BACS
TOTAL		£ 1329.60	

#### b. Receipts

#### Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council noted the following receipts:

Village Hall Hire (February)	£115.00
Village Hall Hire (March)	£450.00
Cosmic Rent (Feb & Mar)	£970.00
Cosmic Utilities	£173.45

Total £1708.45

#### 21/202 Allotments - Plans/Lease

Cllr H Hearn advised that a plan of the area at the rear of the Village Hall and proposed lease from the SDDC had been received for what would be Community Gardens. There would probably be between 10 to 12 raised beds for use. Several issues were raised with regards to the lease, boundary maintenance, access, impact on neighbours, cost, and water supply.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to liaise with Jayne Burton and prepare a Management Plan for the proposed Community Gardens.

#### 21/203 Village Hall - Kitchen

The plan and quote for the proposed new kitchen was discussed and although agreed in general, it was queried whether there was a need for an extractor hood and a possible re-siting of the cooker. The quote should also include new flooring. Cllr C Mousley pointed out that there would be additional costs for the plumbing, electrical and installation work.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr C Mousley to have the plan reviewed and for further quotes, including flooring, to be obtained.

#### 21/204 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

The committee organizing the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations at the Walton on Trent Cricket Club for the village are planning several events over the four-day period from Thursday 2 June 2022 and to assist in the booking of entertainment they have requested financial assistance in the sum of £1000 from the Parish Council

As this was a unique event and was for the benefit of the whole village the Council agreed to match fund monies raised up to a maximum of £500.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that they would be prepared to match fund raising for the events up to a maximum of a £500 donation.

#### 21/205 Dog Poo Bins

As more people from the village are now walking dogs to the Tuckleshome Nature Reserve it was thought that the placing of a Dog Poo Bin near to the Bailey Bridge would be beneficial.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that SDDC should be contacted to enquire as to the process to request an additional bin, the identifying of a location and any extra cost.

#### 21/206 Annual Parish Meeting (9 May 2022)

The format of the Annual Parish meeting in May 2022 was discussed but it was thought that there was no need to amend how it had been conducted in previous years.

## 21/207 Working Group Reports and Review of Specific Areas of Responsibility

- a) Employees (CIIr A Barnes and CIIr Byron) Discussed under exemption.
- b) Village Hall (Cllr A Barnes and Cllr N Forrest) Nothing further than discussed at 21/203.
- c) Finance (CIIr A Barnes) Discussed at 21/201.
- d) Roads and Pavements (Clir M Rafferty and Clir C Mousley) Clir M Rafferty stated that there were several potholes around the village which he had reported to DCC. Clir M Rafferty was also going to highlight the gullies/drains that needed clearing.
- e) Footpaths (Cllr H Hearn and Cllr R Mizuro) Nothing to discuss
- f) Park (Cllr P Byron) Cllr P Byron reported that the seat on the swing in the park, although reported to SDDC, had not been repaired.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that SDDC should be contacted and requested that the fault report be actioned.

#### 21/208 Circulated Emails for Information - Appendix B

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council noted the other Circulated Emails for Information.

# 21/209 Date of the next Meeting

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council approved that the next Parish Council Meeting is to be held at 7.00pm on Monday 4 April 2022, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.

There being no other business to be transacted the meeting closed at 8:40pm.