

Walton on Trent Parish Council

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MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13 June 2022 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT Councillors A Barnes (Chair) P Byron (Vice Chair), R Mizuro, H Hearn, M Rafferty, Cllr S Swann (DCC), Cllr A Wheelton (SDDC), and the Parish Clerk.

Cllr A Barnes welcomed everyone to the June Parish Council meeting.

22/46 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr S Ackroyd (SDDC), C Mousley and N Forrest.

22/46 Variation of Order of Business (if any)

None.

22/47 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr H Hearn disclosed an interest in planning item 22/52 (d). As this was not a personal interest it was resolved that Cllr h Hearn need not leave the meeting but should not speak in relation to this item.

22/48 Public Speaking

The reports from both Cllr S Swann and Cllr A Wheelton had been forwarded by email and circulated to the Councillors.

22/49 Chairman's Announcements

Cllr A Barnes thanked the Jubilee Committee, in particularly Teresa Franklin, for arranging the events over the Jubilee weekend which were a great success, to Amy Dakin for the scarecrow competition which was won by St Laurence Church and the ladies of the ex-Women's Institute for the window display at the Village Hall.

Cllr A Barnes also thanked Gwen and John Cooper, who for many years have assisted with the bins at the Village Hall, but who have now notified the Chair that they will be unable to continue.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to send letters of thanks to Teresa Franklin and the Jubilee Committee, Amy Dakin, the ladies of the ex-Women's Institute and to Gwen and John Cooper.

22/50 To confirm the minutes of Walton on Trent Annual Parish and the Annual Parish Council meetings held on 9 May 2022.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Minutes of the Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council meetings held on 9 May 2022 be approved as a true record.

22/51 Clerks Report

a) Review of Outstanding Resolutions/Actions - Appendix A

- i. **Drakelow Development Steer Group** – Next meeting planned for 4 July 2022.
- ii. **Community Club** – Invoice for coach now received and request made to release the £200 agreed by the Parish Council on 14 March 2022 (21/199/b/i)

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the £200 to be paid to the Community Club

- iii. **Notice of the Publication of the Unaudited Annual Governance and Account Return** – Placed on website on 13 June 2022 and to be available to 22 July 2022

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

b) Correspondence

- i. **Summer Play Scheme** – The Big Fun Friday, which has the Play Mobile, Sports Mobile, and Laser Combat, will take place between 1.00pm and 4.00pm on Friday 5th August 2022 at the Walton on Trent Cricket Club. Notices are being circulated and will be on the website.
- ii. **Bearded Theory**
 - a. The event organisers provided the Parish Council with 60 tickets over the 3 days of which 45 were sold at £10.00 each. Thanks to an additional £10 donation it was agreed by the Council to donate the £460 locally.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the £460 to be shared between the Walton on Trent Community Club and Bank House at Swadlincote.

- b. It was noted that complaints had been received concerning the noise on one evening of the event and the fact that set-up vehicles were travelling through the village.
- iii. **Crime Figures** – South Derbyshire Police had provided a break down of 7 offences that had been reported in the Walton on Trent area during May 2022. It was noted that 4 of these involved attacks on vehicles.
- iv. **Platinum Jubilee Fund** – The Government has recently announced The Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Improvement Grant Fund. An Expression of Interest form has been created to allow Village Halls to register for more information when it is available.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to register an Expression of Interest for the Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Improvement Grant Fund.

- v. **Stiles** – A complaint has been received that the stile on Footpath 8 at Walton on Trent is extremely high and impossible for dog walkers to access.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr R Mizuro to review the stile on Footpath 8

- vi. **Chetwynd Bridge** – Information had been received by the Parish Council that due to the condition of Chetwynd Bridge on the A515 nr Alrewas, a weight limit or in fact complete closure could be imposed at very short notice. A discussion followed with regards to the impact this would have on Walton on Trent due to the increase in HGV's, the additional traffic in general but also during events at Catton. Chetwynd Bridge is also the route the buses use to ferry children from the South Derbyshire villages to John Taylor School.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to send emails of concern to the County and District Councillors, to O. Neilson at Catton and to John Taylor MAT.

22/52 Planning matters for consideration

- a. DMPA/2022/0412 - Listed building consent for reinstatement of former blocked-up window opening at ground floor level to the rear (east) elevation and to create bathroom/en-suite and WC facilities at first and second floors at Walton Hall, Main Street, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote DE12 8LZ – **Response required by 3 June 2022**

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had No Objection on the proposal.

- b. DMPA/2022/0463 - The erection of extensions at 23 Bells End Road, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8ND – **Response required by 3 June 2022**

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had No Objection on the proposal.

- c. DMOT/2022/0536 - The felling of elm tree and the pruning of lime tree at Barn Farm Cottage, 61 Main Street, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8LZ – **Response required by 19 June 2022**

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had No Objection on the proposal.

- d. DMOT/2022/0435 - The felling of two lime trees covered by South Derbyshire District Council Tree Preservation Order no. 229 at Three Trees, 46A Main Street, Walton-On-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8LZ – **Response required by 20 June 2022**

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had No Objection to the felling of the trees but would like a condition that the replacement is a substantial native tree

- e. DMPA/2022/0568 - Approval of reserved matters (access, layout, scale, appearance, and landscaping) pursuant to outline permission ref. DMPA/2020/1460 for 33 dwellings (partial re-plan of DMPA/2021/1035) on Land at SK2420 2230 Drakelow Park, Walton Road, Drakelow, Swadlincote

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had No Comment on the proposal.

22/53 Finance

a. Accounts for Payment

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

Payee	Expenditure	£	Payment
Parish Clerk	Expenses – Microsoft	34.28	BACS
SDDC	VH – Council Tax	140.00	Direct Debit
M.Houston	VH – Return of deposit	100.00	BACS
M.Dughan Electrical Ltd	VH – PAT Test	85.00	BACS
T.Franklin	Queens Jubilee Events	250.00	BACS
T.Franklin	DCC Grant for Jubilee Events	200.00	BACS
Sth Derbys CVS	May Wages	647.69	BACS
EDF Energy	VH - Gas	159.00	Direct Debit
S.Frost	VH – Return of deposit	100.00	BACS
Bloomin Gardens	VH – Grass Cutting	84.00	BACS
British Gas	VH - Electricity	88.09	Direct Debit
Community Club	Donation for Coach outing	200.00	BACS
Waterplus	VH – Water/Drainage	86.59	BACS
TOTAL		£ 2174.65	

a. Receipts

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

Village Hall Hire (May) -	£140.00
Total	£140.00

22/54 Community Garden – Plans/Lease

Cllr H Hearn & Cllr A Barnes have met with L. Gumbley to discuss possible funding. Cllr H Hearn then discussed contacting the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) for ideas on planning.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to contact the RHS for ideas on design and planning.

22/55 Village Hall – Kitchen

Cllr R Mizuro has obtained a further quote for the new kitchen from Ikea (£4388.50) which does not include fitting which is similar to a previous quote already obtained.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr A Barnes to obtain a 3rd quote so that a decision can then be made.

22/56 Speed Indicator Devices

To start the process locations for the Speed Indicator Device need to be identified that provide a clear view of and for oncoming traffic. A discussion followed and it was agreed that the Device would best be located as you enter the village along Main Street, Rosliston Road and Coton Road.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Councillors to identify suitable street furniture that could provide sites for the device.

22/57 Working Group Reports and Review of Specific Areas of Responsibility

- a) **Employees (Cllr A Barnes and Cllr Byron)** – The Clerk reported that the Staff Appraisal had been completed with the Lengthsman.
- b) **Village Hall (Cllr A Barnes and Cllr N Forrest)** – SDDC have yet to respond to the proposed suggestions for alterations at the Village Hall.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for SDDC to be contacted for a response and that Cllr A Wheelton be requested to assist.

The Clerk reported that due to plaster having come away from the wall in the Cosmic Office at the Village Hall a quote for more than £800 to treat the damp and repair had been obtained.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to obtain a further quote.

- c) **Finance (Cllr A Barnes)** – Discussed at 22/53.
- d) **Roads and Pavements (Cllr M Rafferty and Cllr C Mousley)**
 - a. Cllr A Barnes reported that following a tree branch falling at Barr Hall, causing the road to be closed, the junction warning sign on the approach along Main Street to Bells End Road had been knocked off. As the branch had not fallen due to high winds, concern was raised as to the trees condition.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to report the damaged road sign to DCC.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact DCC to enquire as to whether the tree could be inspected due to its condition and the safety of road users.

- b. Cllr A Barnes reported that the flowerpots on the junction of Main Street/Station Lane needed attention and re-planting

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr A Barnes and Cllr H Hearn to tend to the pots and purchase plants and compost as required.

- e) **Footpaths (Cllr H Hearn and Cllr R Mizuro)** – Nothing to discuss.
- f) **Park (Cllr P Byron)** – Nothing to discuss.

22/58 Circulated Emails for Information – Appendix C

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

22/59 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 11 July 2022, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.

There being no other business to be transacted the meeting closed at 8:45pm.