

# Walton on Trent Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10 OCTOBER 2022 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

**PRESENT** Councillors P Byron (Chair) H Hearn, M Rafferty, R Mizuro, Cllr A Wheelton (SDDC), the Parish Clerk and A Lloyd (Resident)

Cllr P Byron welcomed everyone to the October Parish Council meeting.

**22/80 To receive apologies for absence.**

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

**22/81 Variation of Order of Business**

None.

**22/82 Declaration of Members Interests**

None disclosed.

**22/83 Public Speaking**

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

A Lloyd requested a progress update on the Speed Indicator Device and offered assistance from S Lloyd in completing the required documentation.

A Lloyd was concerned over the number of HGV's that were still passing through the village, especially along Main Street.

**22/84 Chairman's Announcements**

Cllr P Byron reported the resignation of A Barnes from both the role of Chair and as a Parish Councillor. It was agreed that A Barnes should be thanked for her years of dedication on the Council and as the Chair.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that a letter of thanks and flowers to be sent to A Barnes***

A discussion followed with regards to the roles of Chair, Vice Chair and the two Parish Councillor vacancies.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that P Byron be elected as Chair of the Parish Council.***

***In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 Cllr P Byron read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the Clerk.***

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the role of Vice Chair to be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.***

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the vacancies for Parish Councillor be advertised.***

**22/85 To confirm the minutes of Walton on Trent Annual Parish and the Annual Parish Council meetings held on 11 July 2022.**

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 July 2022 be approved as a true record.***

**22/86 Clerks Report**

**a) Review of Outstanding Resolutions/Actions - Appendix A**

- i. **Drakelow Development Steer Group** – No further development as SCC Highways are awaiting an updated Flood Modelling plan - Next meeting planned for 28 November 2022.
- ii. **Catton Hall Events** – Following a Traffic Management Subgroup meeting an offer has been made to attend Parish Council meetings in early 2023 to brief on measures to be put in place.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to invite members of the Traffic Management Subgroup and DCC Highways to the January 2023 Parish Council meeting.***

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

**b) Correspondence**

- i. **Church Clock - Repair** – Due to a fault Time Assured were contacted on 20 July 2022 and completed the repair.
- ii. **Crime Figures** – South Derbyshire Police had provided a breakdown of 7 incidents that had been reported in the Walton on Trent area during the months of July, August, and September 2022. One incident reported a Theft, another an incident of Harassment and two incidents of Public Order.
- iii. **Big Fun Friday** – The event took place on 5 August 2022 at the Walton on Trent Cricket Club and had 131 children enrolled. A letter of thanks for holding the successful event has been received from SDDC.
- iv. **Bloodstock – Noise Complaint** – A complaint was received by a resident of Barton concerning the noise which was forwarded to the event organisers. A prompt response was that due to atmospheric conditions, the sound had travelled further than anticipated. Additional measures are to be put in place in 2023.
- v. **Book of Condolence** – Rev Johnson has proposed that the Books of Condolence from the area, for the late Queen Elizabeth II, be combined and presented to Catton Hall.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Book of Condolence from the village be combined with others in the area and presented to Catton Hall***

- vi. **Catton Hall Firework Display – Noise Complaint** – A complaint was received concerning the loud noise from the Firework Display at Catton Hall causing distress to animals. A copy was also sent to the Member of Parliament. The response from the MP was that they were in contact with both Catton Hall and SDDC concerning future events.
- vii. **Safer Access to School** – Concern has been raised over the footpaths around the routes to the school and the possibility of a School Crossing Patrol.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to forward the complaint to Cllr S Swann for forwarding to DCC Highways for them to review the situation and to also make the school aware.***

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council noted all the other correspondence.***

**22/87 Planning matters for consideration**

- a. **DMPA/2022/0989** - Reserved Matters for the construction of spine road forming part of Phases 3 and 4 in pursuant to outline permission DMPA/2020/1460 on Land at SK2420 2230 Drakelow Park, Walton Road, Drakelow, Swadlincote – Comments required by 30 August 2022 – **No Comments Recorded**
- b. **DMOT/2022/1124** - The felling of ash tree at 41a Main Street, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8LZ – Comments required by 23 September 2022– **No Comments Recorded**

- c. **DMOT/2022/1220** - The felling of a Spruce tree at 9 Main Street, Walton on Trent, Swadlincote, Derbyshire, DE12 8LY – Comments required by 23 September 2022 – **No Comments Recorded**
- d. **DMPA/2022/1151** - The demolition of existing garage and replacement with two storey side extension, and extension to rear at 5 Rosliston Road, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8NQ - – Comments required by 29 September 2022– **No Comments Recorded**

**Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed with the No Comments Recorded**

## 22/88 Finance

### a. Accounts for Payment

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

Payee	Expenditure	£	Payment
Parish Clerk	Printer Ink, Paper & 2023 Diary, Microsoft – July/August, Expenses – July/August	106.60	BACS
SDDC	VH – Council Tax (July, Aug & Sept)	420.00	Direct Debit
British Gas	VH – Electricity (July, August & Sept)	218.25	Direct Debit
Sth Derbys CVS	July Wages	518.83	BACS
Sth Derbys CVS	August Wages	632.53	BACS
Sth Derbys CVS	September Wages	556.73	
Bloomin Gardens	VH – Grass Cutting (July/August)	168.00	BACS
Bloomin Gardens	VH – Grass Cutting (September)	84.00	BACS
J. Harrison	VH – Cleaning (Apr/May/Jun/Jul)	225.00	BACS
EDF Energy	VH – Gas (Aug/Sept/Oct)	477.00	Direct Debit
PPL PRS Ltd	VH – Music Licence	470.72	BACS
Waterplus	VH – Water (July/Aug/Sept)	263.20	BACS
BCosy Heating Ltd	VH – Boiler Repair	65.00	BACS
A. Bannister	VH – Deposit Return	100.00	BACS
PKF Littlejohn	External Auditor Fee	240.00	BACS
SDDC	Summer Holiday Scheme	780.00	BACS
Source for Business	VH - Water	102.68	Direct Debit
D. Bowley	VH – Boiler Service	110.00	BACS
SDDC	VH – Waste Disposal	364.00	BACS
RBLI	2x Tommy Statues	350.00	BACS
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£6252.54</b>	

### b. Receipts

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

Village Hall Hire (July, August & September) -	£510.00
Cosmic – Rent (July, August & September) -	£1650.00
Cosmic – Services (July, August & September) -	£1125.00
EDF – VH Gas Refund -	£98.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3383.23</b>

### c. External Audit - Update

The Clerk outlined that an inaccuracy had been identified in the Audit, in that a SDDC Council Tax Support Grant had been placed in the wrong section, although the overall figures were correct.

**Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed and accepted the External Audit Review.**

**22/89 Community Garden – Plans/Lease**

Information still awaited on the structure of a new lease.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to contact SDDC***

**22/90 Village Hall – Kitchen / Plans**

The quotes received for a new kitchen were discussed and it was thought that having one contractor to do all the work would be best

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to contact The Rigid Kitchen Company***

The quotes from architects for producing the plans for the proposed altering to the village hall were discussed.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed, that prior to agreeing on the plans, for Cllr H Hearn to contact a local construction company for some ideas on construction costs.***

**22/91 Speed Indicator Devices**

As there had been no response from Open Reach with regards to siting the devices, and to get the process moving, the offer made by A Lloyd was discussed.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact S Lloyd to seek assistance in the completion of forms and move the process on.***

**22/92 Flowerpots – Main Street/Station Lane**

A discussion was held following a comment from a resident on the state of the flowerpots at the junction of Main Street/Station Road.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to identify requirements for the pots and to purchase from local wholesalers.***

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr M Rafferty to contact The Swan to see if they would donate to the maintenance of the flowerpots.***

**22/93 Remembrance Poppies / Wreath / Service / Donation**

Due to the poor condition of the poppies, details of the purchase of two tommy silhouette figures (male and female) had been circulated to the Councillors. This was discussed together with a donation to the Royal British Legion, although a new wreath was not required and a representative attending the Remembrance Church Service to lay the wreath.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the purchase of the two tommy silhouette figures at a cost of £350.00***

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for a donation of £50.00 to be paid to the Royal British Legion***

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr R Mizuro to represent the Parish Council at the Remembrance Church Service and lay the wreath.***

**22/94 Public Spaces Protection Orders – Review**

The renewal of Public Spaces Protection Orders in the South Derbyshire area that cover instances of Anti-Social Behaviour such as dog control and littering was discussed.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to support the renewal of the existing Public Spaces Protection Orders that cover the local area.***

**22/95 Working Group Reports and Review of Specific Areas of Responsibility**

- a) **Employees (Cllr Byron)** – Nothing to discuss.
- b) **Village Hall (Cllr N Forrest)** – Nothing further to discuss

c) **Finance (Cllr P Byron)** – Discussed at 22/88.

d) **Roads and Pavements (Cllr M Rafferty and Cllr C Mousley)** – Cllr M Rafferty reported that several drains around the village were blocked and that there were several growing potholes in the roads.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr M Rafferty to identify the drains and potholes and report to DCC.***

e) **Footpaths (Cllr H Hearn and Cllr R Mizuro)** – Nothing to discuss.

f) **Park (Cllr P Byron)** – The Clerk reported that following inspection by SDDC the swings have had to be taken out of use as they were unsafe and unfortunately cannot be repaired. Awaiting an update from SDDC as to what they are going to propose in its place.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to discuss the allocation of Specific Roles of Responsibility at the next meeting.***

**22/93 Circulated Emails for Information – Appendix C**

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

**22/94 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 14 November 2022, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.***

**There being no other business to be transacted the meeting closed at 9.00pm.**