

Walton on Trent Parish Council

Parish Clerk: Ian Bentley
PO Box 8524, Burton on Trent, Staffordshire DE14 9PF
Tel: 07946 328 567
Email: clerk@waltonontrent.org.uk

MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12 DECEMBER 2022 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT Councillors P Byron (Chair) H Hearn, C Mousley, R Mizuro, Cllr A Wheelton (SDDC), S Hilton and the Parish Clerk.

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

22/117 To receive apologies for absence

Cllr S Ackroyd (SDDC), Cllr S Swann (DCC) Cllr N Forrest and Cllr M Rafferty

22/118 Co-option of a Councillor

Declaration of Acceptance received from Sarah Hilton. Cllr P Byron proposed that Sarah Hilton be co-opted to the Walton on Trent Parish Council.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to co-opt Sarah Hilton to the Parish Council. (Declaration of Acceptance of Office form was completed by Sarah Hilton and countersigned by the Parish Clerk. A Register of Disposable Pecuniary Interests form which must be returned to the Parish Clerk within 28 days was handed to Cllr S Hilton)

22/119 Variation of Order of Business

None.

22/120 Declaration of Members Interests

None disclosed.

22/121 Public Speaking

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

Cllr A Wheelton requested that details of lorries (Vehicle Registration No/Date/Time), preferably with a photograph, seen passing through the village should be forwarded to her and to the Police.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the request for information and sightings be paced on the Web Site and social media.

22/122 Chairman's Announcements

Cllr P Byron welcomed S Hilton to the Parish Council

22/123 To confirm the minutes of the Walton on Trent Parish Council meeting held on 14 November 2022.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14 November 2022 be approved as a true record.

22/124 Clerks Report

a) Review of Outstanding Resolutions/Actions - Appendix A

- i. **Village Hall Keyless System** – Not progressed due to possible renovation work but concern raised over access to internet to make the installation viable.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr C Mousley to enquire as to whether an internet connection is required.

- ii. **Dog Poo Bins** – No further update received from SDDC

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact SDDC for an update.

- iii. **Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund** – Following submission of interest in June 2022 the latest update is that No Further Action has been taken and not likely to be administered until April 2023.

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

b) Correspondence

- i. **Crime Figures** – South Derbyshire Police had provided a breakdown with 1 incident of Criminal Damage that had been reported in the Walton on Trent area during the month of November 2022.
- ii. **Drakelow Steer Group - Update** – An update from the Group had been circulated by Cllr A Wheelton with the next meeting planned for 30 January 2023. The update included the details of the latest Hydrology Report.
- iii. **Chetwynd Bridge** – Information that the weight restriction on the bridge is to be reduced to 7.5 tonne as from 17 December 2022. Currently no details of diversion routes are known. Concerns as to the impact that this could have during the Catton Hall Events in 2023 were discussed.
- iv. **Graffiti** – Details of a fund available via DCC for the removal of graffiti on public land or buildings were discussed.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to place details on the website and social media for residents to report locations of any graffiti in the area.

22/125 Planning matters for consideration

None submitted

22/126 Finance

a. Accounts for Payment

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

Payee	Expenditure	£	Payment
British Gas	VH - Electricity	100.45	Direct Debit
Sth Derbys CVS	November Wages	927.92	BACS
S. Causer	VH – Deposit Return	100.00	BACS
Time Assured	Church Clock – Service & Repair	216.00	BACS
SDDC	VH – Council Tax	140.00	Direct Debit
EDF	VH - Gas	159.00	Direct Debit
Parish Clerk	Clerk Expenses – Microsoft - Equipment	37.28	BACS
Waterplus	VH – Water Services	82.91	BACS
2Commune	Parish Council Website & Email	372.00	BACS
TOTAL		£2135.66	

b. Receipts

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

Village Hall Hire (November & December) - £245.00

Total £245.00

22/127 Community Garden – Plans/Lease

Information still awaited from SDDC.

22/128 Village Hall – Kitchen

Costings, except for the tiling/plastering, had been previously circulated. Cllr H Hearn reported that Rigid Kitchen anticipated that the work could be undertaken in a week in early January 2023. A new cooker and dishwasher would need to be purchased nearer the installation date.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council authorised Cllr H Hearn to go ahead and book the work on the replacement kitchen for early January 2023.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council authorised the Parish Clerk to purchase a cooker and dishwasher nearer the installation date.

22/129 Speed Indicator Devices

The Clerk provided an update on the process and status of obtaining a Speed Indicator Device. DCC have now authorised the placement of a device in the 3 identified locations.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact the PCC to check on the status of the grant application as they are keen to progress with the purchase.

22/130 Summer Holiday Provision 2023

Details of the 2023 Summer Holiday Provision by the SDDC were discussed. Following the successful event in 2022 with 131 children taking part in the Big Fun Friday at the Walton Cricket Ground it was agreed to repeat in 2023.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact the Walton Cricket Club to see if they would be available to host the event on 25 August 2023.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to book the Big Fun Friday event on 25 August 2023 at a cost of £700 plus vat.

22/131 South Derbyshire District Council Local Plan

The 96-page SDDC local plan document together with the 162 questions had been previously circulated to the Councillors, together with a proposed document in response to the questions. The Council agreed that the process was too complicated, starting with unhelpful presentations, a document and questions that were too lengthy and therefore prevented people from responding.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to submit the responses to the questions on behalf of the Parish Council and to include their concern raised over the presentations and the lengthy complicated questions which were likely to prevent responses.

22/132 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 22/126.
- d) **Roads and Pavements (Cllr M Rafferty and Cllr C Mousley)** – Several potholes have now been reported to DCC.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to re-circulate on the website and social media how to report issues, particularly potholes, to DCC via their portal.

- e) **Footpaths (Cllr H Hearn and Cllr R Mizuro)** – Cllr R Mizuro reported that concerns over bridges on Footpath 9 and the tree on Footpath 1 had still to be rectified.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact the Footpath Officer for updates.

- f) **Park (Cllr P Byron)**
 - a. **Swing** – No further update from SDDC

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact SDDC for an update.

A discussion took place with regard to the Roles and Responsibilities of the Councillors.

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

22/133 Circulated Emails for Information – Appendix C

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

22/134 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 9 January 2023, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.

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