# Walton on Trent Parish Council

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# MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9 JANUARY 2023 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT Councillors P Byron (Chair) H Hearn, C Mousley, R Mizuro, M Rafferty, S Hilton, Cllr S Swann (DCC), Cllr A Wheelton (SDDC), Parish Clerk, E McHugh (SDDC Licensing), J Adams (DC Highways), T Taylor (DCC Highways), J Dean (James Deans Events), R Greenfield (Bloodstock) and A Gregor (Bloodstock)

Cllr P Byron welcomed everyone to the January Parish Council meeting and wished all a Happy New Year

## 22/135 To receive apologies for absence

Cllr S Ackroyd (SDDC) and Cllr N Forrest.

#### 22/136 Variation of Order of Business

None

#### 22/137 Declaration of Members Interests

None disclosed.

## 22/138 Public Speaking

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

Cllr A Wheelton reported that work on the new bridge had been delayed as both SCC and DCC are not accepting the plans following the results of the flood modelling.

### 22/139 Catton Hall - Events

Event organisers explained that several joint meetings had taken place to agree on a universal traffic management plan as they were aware of the problems created for the villages and this was in the process of being developed by Cash & Traffic Management Ltd (CTM). An initial draft by CTM was distributed to the Councillors.

The CTM plan for traffic in the build and breakdown period is to minimize disruption by spreading the load over 3 routes through Elford, Coton/Rosliston and Walton. However, due to size and weight Fairground Traffic will have to travel through Walton but this is to be communicated in advance.

A system to ensure traffic is limited or prohibited between 17:00hrs to 09:30hrs will be put in place with all contractors being made aware of the times and routes, however, should problems arise then a contact number and email will be available.

Ideally the transport of fencing would be just once, to cover all events, but this is difficult due to the need for joint-collaboration and the licensing of having fences in place for the whole period.

Individual Traffic Management Plans for festival/event attendees for each event are to be created and distributed in advance, however, ALL traffic is to be directed away from Walton.

A contingency plan is being developed should the Chetwynd Bridge be closed to all traffic.

After a discussion on the role of the Licensing Department at events, the placing of signage and the concerns over the noise from the Firework event, it was proposed that a further meeting take place in early spring when all the management plans and events should be finalised.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for to agenda a further meeting with the Event Organisers on 3 April 2023

## 22/140 Chairman's Announcements

None

22/141 To confirm the minutes of the Walton on Trent Parish Council meeting held on 12 December 2022.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 December 2022 be approved as a true record.

## 22/142 Clerks Report

- a) Review of Outstanding Resolutions/Actions Appendix A
  - i. Summer Holiday Provision Unable to book for 25 August 2023 and the only date available is the 28 July 2023

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to book the 28 July 2023 if the Cricket Ground is available

ii. Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund – Stage 1 of the process for application has now been opened and to be reviewed

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

## b) Correspondence

 DALC Training – The training calendar for Councillors and Clerks for 2023 has been released and identified courses for new Councillors and duties around the elections.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to enroll on the Election Training and for Cllr S Hilton to enroll on the Councillors Essential training course.

- **ii. Crime Figures –** South Derbyshire Police had provided a breakdown with 1 incident of Theft and 1 Public Order offence that had been reported in the Walton on Trent area during the month of December 2022.
- iii. **Drakelow Energy Facility** An update from the Drakelow Energy Facility is that it is now entering the commissioning stage prior to going live. An open evening is planned between 6.00pm and 8.00pm on Thursday 26 January 2023. Details have been circulated on the website and social media.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact Drakelow Energy Facility with regards to their Traffic Management Plan because of the delay in the new bridge.

#### 22/143 Planning matters for consideration

- a. DMPA/2022/1584 Demolition of existing garage and outbuilding to accommodate new detached garage; Single storey rear and side extension to existing dwelling and enlargement of existing driveway at The Bungalow, Drakelow Road, Walton-On-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8NB Comments required by 3 February 2023 No Comments
- b. DMPA/2022/1515 Variation of condition 4 of planning permission DMPA/2020/1460 to update the phasing arrangements for the site. Land at SK2420 2230 Drakelow Park, Walton Road, Drakelow, Swadlincote Comments required by 3 February 2023 The Councillors view is that there should be no alteration in the planning and agreed development until an agreement has been reached on the new river bridge at Walton on Trent.

## a. Accounts for Payment

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

Payee	Expenditure	£	Payment
SDDC	VH – Council Tax	140.00	Direct Debit
Sth Derbys CVS	December Wages	734.71	BACS
J Hemmings	VH – Deposit Return	100.00	BACS
Parish Clerk	Expenses - Microsoft	34.28	BACS
EDF Energy	VH - Gas	159.00	Direct Debit
British Gas	VH - Electricity	117.84	Direct Debit
J. Harrison	VH – Cleaning (Nov & Dec)	100.00	BACS
Waterplus	VH - Water	29.28	BACS
TOTAL		£ 1415.11	

## b. Receipts

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

Village Hall Hire (Nov, Dec& Jan) -	£360.00
Cosmic – Rent (Dec & Jan) -	£1100.00
Cosmic – Services (Dec & Jan) -	£750.00
Total	£2210.00

c. Quarterly Finance Review - The Clerk had circulated a breakdown of Income and Expenditure from 1 April 2022 to 31 December 2022.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed and accepted the review document.

**d.** Precept 2023/2024 – The amount of Precept for 2023/2024 to be requested was discussed and the fact that the Local Council Tax Support Scheme grant was included, by mistake, in the calculation for the current Precept was considered.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Precept for 2023/2024 would be reduced back to the 2021/2022 figure of £7378.

e. South Derbyshire CVS – The Clerk explained that South Derbyshire CVS currently administers the payment of wages to the Clerk and Linesman and that a new contract from April 2023 will see an annual increase of £51.00 on the current fees.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the new contract with South Derbyshire CVS should be adopted.

# 22/145 Community Garden - Plans/Lease

Information still awaited from SDDC.

# 22/146 Village Hall

a. Kitchen - A start date for the work on the kitchen is still awaited

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr H Hearn to contact the installer to book a start date.

**b.** Hall Floor – Due to damp and the cold, areas of the wooden floor have expanded and risen creating humps and a possible danger to users. Thanks to S. Hilton and C. Beebee the main area of concern by the main door has been resolved, however a couple of other areas require more attention.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact S. Hilton and C. Beebee and thank them for the splendid work that has taken place.

## 22/147 Speed Indicator Devices

The Clerk provided an update on the process and that the PCC grant of £3000 had been successful, however an Object in the Highway Licence at a cost of £100 was now required from the DCC Legal Department. An application for the licence has now been submitted. A full breakdown of known costs was provided.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact SWARCO and arrange for the purchase of the sign and fittings.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact Cllr S Swann for any other possible grant that he may be able to assist with

## 22/148 Working Group Reports and Review of Specific Areas of Responsibility

- a) Employees (CIIr Byron) Nothing further to discuss.
- b) Village Hall (Cllr N Forrest) A prospective hirer of the Hall has queried one of the Terms and Conditions that prohibit the use of a bouncy castle inside the Hall.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact the insurance company to see if this is a condition with the coverage.

- c) Finance (CIIr P Byron) Discussed at 22/144.
- d) Roads and Pavements (Clir M Rafferty and Clir C Mousley) Several further potholes have now been reported to DCC.
- e) Footpaths (Clir H Hearn and Clir R Mizuro) Nothing further to discuss.
- f) Park (Cllr P Byron) Nothing further to discuss.

### 22/149 Circulated Emails for Information – Appendix B

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

# 22/150 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 Monday13 February 2023, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.

There being no other business to be transacted, the meeting closed at 9.02pm.