

# Walton on Trent Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11 December 2023 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

**PRESENT** Parish Councilor's N Forrest, M Rafferty, S Hilton, H Hearn, W Simms, Cllr A Wheelton (SDDC) and the Parish Clerk.

Cllr N Forrest welcomed everyone to the December Parish Council meeting and in the absence of Cllr P Byron would be chairing the meeting.

### **23/115 To receive apologies for absence**

Cllr S Swann (DCC), Councillor's P Byron, R Mizuro and C Mousley.

### **23/116 Variation of Order of Business**

None.

### **23/117 Declaration of Members Interests**

None disclosed.

### **23/118 Public Speaking**

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

Due to a number of incidents involving damage to car tyres because of potholes, Cllr A Wheelton advised that residents should utilize the DCC Portal to report holes so that they can be repaired as quickly as possible.

**Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to advertise the DCC Portal for Pothole repairs on the website.**

### **23/119 Chairman's Announcements**

None

### **23/120 To confirm the minutes of the Walton on Trent Annual Parish Council meeting held on 13 November 2023.**

**Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13 November 2023 be approved as a true record.**

### **23/121 Clerks Report**

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

- i. **Speed Watch** – Still awaiting update from Derbys Police as to when a meeting and training is to be arranged.

**Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to request an update from Derbyshire Police.**

- ii. **Church Memorial** – Cllr S Hilton reported that a quote of £399.00 had been obtained for the cleaning/restoration of the stonework on the memorial.

**Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr S Hilton to proceed with the work as per the quote.**

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

**b) Speed Indicator Devices – Appendix B**

The Clerk highlighted that during the month there had been almost 37000 vehicles through the devices on Main Street and Rosliston Road, with the most via Main Street. Just over 24% in Main Street and 19% on Rosliston Road were travelling in excess of 30mph.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to continue to collect and monitor the data to enable it to support traffic measures and reporting to the police.***

**c) Correspondence**

**i. Concurrent Payment** – The Clerk reported that the Concurrent payment granted to Parish Councils against specific outlays by the SDDC was to be discussed at a Finance meeting. The consequence of losing the Concurrent payment could result in the raising of the precept to cover costs. However email correspondence indicates that this will still be paid for 2023/24 but may alter in the future.

**ii. Summer Holiday Provision 2024** – The Clerk reported that dates and costings for the 2024 Summer Holiday Provision had been received.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to book the Big Fun Friday for 16 August 2024, if available, at a cost of £894.00 inc VAT.***

**iii. Crime/Incident Data** – Data supplied by Sth Derbys Police was reviewed and noted.

**iv. PCC Request** – The PCC is seeking support for Councils to implement a Council Tax discount for the 75 volunteer Special Constables in the Derbyshire area.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to support the PCC in recommending a Council Tax discount for members of the Special Constabulary in Derbyshire.***

**v. Planning Meeting 12 December 2023** – On the Agenda for the SDDC Planning Meeting are the two applications concerning the additional development at Silsden. Cllr N Forrest on behalf of the Parish Council has been granted permission to speak objecting to the applications. A discussion over the wording of the objection to be put forward to the SDDC Planning followed.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed with proposed wording of the objections to be delivered by Cllr N Forrest***

**23/122 Planning matters for consideration**

a) **DMOT/2033/1457** - The felling of 1no. Pine and pruning of 1no. Cedar in a conservation area at 45 Main Street, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8LZ – Comments required by 5 December 2023 – **NO comments entered from the Parish Council**

**23/123 Finance**

**a. Accounts for Payment**

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

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>Payment</b>
Parish Clerk	Key, Microsoft, Expenses	40.25	BACS
S. Causer	VH – Deposit Return	50.00	BACS
SDDC	VH – Council Tax	147.00	Direct Debit
Sth Derbys CVS	November Wages	942.60	BACS
British Gas	VH - Electricity	120.59	Direct Debit
R&D Jewellery	VH – Deposit Return	80.00	BACS
SDDC	VH – Trade Waste	377.00	BACS
EDF Energy	VH - Gas	215.00	Direct Debit

M Dughan Electrical	VH – Alarm Repair	105.00	BACS
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£2077.44</b>	

**b. Receipts**

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

Village Hall Hire (Nov)	£155.00
Cosmic Rent (Nov & Dec)	£1100.00
Cosmic Services (Nov & Dec)	£750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2005.00</b>

**23/124 Drakelow Development**

Planning Application to amend the housing occupation trigger on the Drakelow Development prior to the completion of the bridge is now likely to be placed on the agenda for 9 January 2024.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr N Forrest to apply to object on behalf of the Parish Council and for it to be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting on 8 January 2024***

**23/125 Village Hall Toilets**

No update received from Cllr C Mousley with regards to the quotes for the toilets.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed to review at the next Council meeting.***

**23/126 Specific Areas of Interest**

- a) **Roads and Pavements** – Concern was raised over the state of several of the pavements in the village that are covered in leaves and are now very slippery.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to report to SDDC via the portal.***

- b) **Footpaths** – Nothing of note.

- c) **Park** – Nothing of note.

- d) **Church** – Cllr S Hilton highlighted that the flag in the church yard needed replacing.

***Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the clerk to contact Mr Hopcott for the purchase of a new flag.***

**23/127 Circulated Emails for Information – Appendix C**

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

**23/128 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 8 January 2024, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.***

**There being no other business to be transacted, the meeting closed at 8.28pm.**