

Walton on Trent Parish Council

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MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11 March 2024 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT Parish Councillor's P Byron, W Simms, H Hearn, M Rafferty, C Mousley, Cllr A Wheelton (SDDC), the Parish Clerk and E Fearn (Resident)

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

23/159 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr G Jones (SDDC), Cllr S Swann (DCC), Cllr H Hearn, Cllr R Mizuro and Cllr N Forrest.

23/160 Variation of Order of Business

None.

23/161 Declaration of Members Interests

None disclosed.

23/162 Public Speaking

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

E Fearn highlighted the issues with the gate and stiles on the footpath from Bells End Road towards Rosliston (Footpath 1)

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to report the issues to DCC via the portal

Cllr A Wheelton informed the Council that the Environmental and Development Services Statement of Community Involvement will be going out for an 8-week consultation period commencing on 18 March 2024. The document is about the overall approach SDDC will be undertaking in involving the community with land use planning related processes. It will be an opportunity for Parish Councils to discuss and comment on how they deal with Planning Applications should the consultation on an application be reduced to 4 weeks.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to contact DALC for advice on using a Temporary Scheme of Delegation for Planning Applications

23/163 Chairman's Announcements

None

23/164 To confirm the minutes of the Walton on Trent Annual Parish Council meeting held on 12 February 2024

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 February 2024 be approved as a true record.

23/165 Clerks Report

a) Review of Outstanding Resolutions/Actions - Appendix A

- i. **Speed Watch** – A further request has been circulated for a Speed Watch Group Co-Ordinator but there has been no response.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that no further action is required.

- ii. **Church Memorial** – The Clerk reported that the stonework on the memorial had been completed and the invoice received and settled.

- iii. **Parish Council Website** – The Clerk reported that the agreement with Cuttlefish Media for the Parish Council Website and email had been agreed for the next 12-months and the invoice for £372.00 received. In addition, a small box of sweets/confectionary/cake had been received from Cuttlefish Media as a Thank You, which was shared by those present.
- iv. **Dog Issues** – The Clerk reported that a response had been received from the Community Safety Enforcement Officer that they would be willing to erect additional signage although specific locations were needed rather than a blanket style approach. Cllr H Hearn proposed that small Poo Bag containers could be placed around the village which might encourage dog owners to pick-up their dog's mess.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for Cllr P Byron to identify specific locations on a map for sending to SDDC

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to purchase ten small plastic poo bag containers and poo bags.

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 4-week period ending 18 February 2024 there had been just over 35,500 vehicles through the devices on Main Street and Rosliston Road. Just over 24% in Main Street and 9% on Rosliston Road were travelling more than 30mph. Almost 5% of all vehicles along Main Street were travelling in excess of 40 mph. SWARCO have reported that the speed recorded will vary, capturing the lower speed if the vehicle decreases and the higher speed should the vehicle accelerate towards the SID.

c) Correspondence

i. Litter

Correspondence received has suggested that there is a problem with litter around and on the approaches to the village and that consideration should be given to arranging an organised litter pick. It was felt that the Lengthsman was doing a good job within the confines of the village and at this time there was no requirement for a litter pick.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed that should the need arise a litter pick would be considered and any litter outside the confines of the village should be reported to SDDC.

ii. Public Consultation - Bridge

A Public Consultation on the Proposed Amendments to the new bridge has been commenced and comments requested.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to re-iterate comments that have previously been discussed about the bridge.

iii. Walton CC – Funding Request

Walton CC are requesting support in the sum of £250 to assist in the purchase of a portable defibrillator to be kept at the club house for use, should the need ever arise, for persons in attendance at the ground.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the sum of £250.00 to be granted to Walton CC to assist in the purchase of a defibrillator.

iv. Letter

Correspondence between Mr G Harvey, a resident, Countryside Partnerships, Heather Wheeler MP and Dr Justin Ives the Chief Executive of SDDC have been forwarded to the Clerk for the information of the Parish Council. The contents are on the proposal of ESDC, SDDC and Countryside entering a Planning Performance Agreement for the planning and development of the new bridge.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to write to Mr G Harvey and thank him for forwarding the information.

23/166 Planning matters for consideration

- a) DMPA/2024/0205 - Removal of existing external timber decking area and replacement with new sandstone patio complete with low level brickwork walls at Barr Hall Farm, The Swallows , Drakelow Road, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8NB – Comments required by 22 March 2024

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had no comments on the application

- b) DMPA /2024/0231 - Listed Building Consent for the removal of existing external timber decking area and replacement with new sandstone patio complete with low level brickwork walls at Barr Hall Farm, The Swallows, Drakelow Road, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8NB - Comments required by 22 March 2024

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had no comments on the application

- c) DMPA/2024/0257 - The variation of conditions 9 (nesting bird survey) , 20 (window and door details) and removal of condition 21 (windows trickle vents) relating to planning permission ref. DMPA/2022/0711 (The conversion of existing farmhouse into 3no. dwellings and conversion of traditional barns into 3no. dwellings with ancillary storage unit, parking and amenity areas) at Manor Farm, Drakelow Road, Walton-On-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8NB – Comments required by 22 March 2024

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had no comments on the application

- d) DMPA/2024/0295 - The felling of a tree at The Old House, Catton Road, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8LL – Comments required by 21 March 2024

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council had no comments on the application

23/167 Finance

a. Accounts for Payment

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

Payee	Expenditure	£	Payment
Cuttlefish	Website/Email Hosting	372.00	BACS
Sth Derbys CVS	February Wages	684.25	BACS
SDDC	Service to Dog Bin	267.70	BACS
British Gas	VH - Electricity	84.85	Direct Debit
M Dughan Electrical Ltd	VH – Alarm Installation/Light/Switches	1025.00	BACS
Parish Clerk	Microsoft / Expenses	35.36	BACS
O Heap & Son Ltd	VH – Fire Extinguisher Service	202.68	BACS
EDF Energy	VH - Gas	215.00	Direct Debit
A Clark	VH – Deposit Return	100.00	BACS
T B Jones	Church Memorial Restoration	399.00	BACS
TOTAL		£3385.84	

b. Receipts

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

Village Hall Hire (February) £155.00

Total £155.00

23/168 Public Demonstration – Traffic Issues

After discussing it was agreed that this should be deferred unless planning or development of the new bridge gets delayed.

23/168 Catton Events – Update

A meeting was held on 4 March 2024 with organisers of events at Catton, Catton Hall Estates, SDDC Licensing, DCC Roads Network, CTM Traffic Management and Councilors from Walton on Trent, Roskiston, Alrewas and Edingale to discuss traffic issues. (A copy of the meeting notes had been previously circulated to the Councillors)

The meeting was positive with the organisers trying to minimize known issues and providing contact details for any new issues arising.

The full Traffic Management Plan to be circulated once completed.

23/169 Village Hall - Toilets

Deferred to next meeting as quotes for the work are still awaited.

23/170 River Trent Views

A discussion took place over concern that has been raised over the number of single storied wooden buildings that are now near to the bank of the river, on a flood plain, in a conservation area and creating a poor view from the river for people visiting or entering the village.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to enquire with SDDC Planning as to whether permission due to their location is required, whether there is a limit on the number that can be constructed and should things change should their use be modified.

23/171 Specific Areas of Interest

a) Roads and Pavements –

- i. Although most, if not all of the developing potholes have been reported to DCC by the Council, additional reporting by residents is to be encouraged.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to investigate the possibility of notices requesting road users to report potholes identifying the link to the DCC Portal and the for ease of use a QR code.

b) Footpaths – Nothing further than already reported at 23/162.

c) Park – Nothing further reported.

23/172 Circulated Emails for Information – Appendix C

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

23/173 Date of the next Meeting

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council approved that the next Annual Parish Meeting is to be held at 6.30pm on Monday 8 April 2024, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.

Resolved: Walton on Trent Parish Council approved that the next Parish Council Meeting is to be held at 7.00pm on Monday 8 April 2024, in the Walton on Trent Village Hall.

There being no other business to be transacted, the meeting closed at 8.43pm.