

MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 8.2.21 VIA ZOOM

PRESENT Councillors A Barnes (Chair), P Byron, H Hearn, A Lloyd, C Mousley, M Rafferty, Parish Clerk, Councillor A Wheelton (SDDC), 1 member of the public

20/215 To receive apologies for absence

None

20/216 Declaration of Members Interests

Councillor Barnes declared an interest in the cricket club donation request. Councillor Lloyd declared an interest in planning application DMOT/2020/1357. Councillor Mousley declared an interest in request for a grit bin.

20/217 Public Speaking

Councillor Wheelton provided information on the East Midlands Freeport bid. Councillor Wheelton is still trying to get to the bottom of lorries coming through the village. Concerns regarding planning application DMPA/2020/1266 were given and Councillor Wheelton asked to be copied into the Parish Council comments.

Councillor Wheelton confirmed that she had reported flooding on Borough Hill to DCC in December. There is a spring and it floods every year.

A parishioner raised concerns about the rubbish that is still in the brook. This had been reported to various authorities and it was agreed to follow up with Drakelow again.

Complaints were raised about the surface of the footpath where it dips on Station Lane on the Staffordshire side as well as the general state of the roads leading into the village.

Councillor Barnes spoke about the cricket club donation request and confirmed that the club had not met with Countryside to discuss a contribution from the developers but a meeting was scheduled for the coming week.

20/218 To determine which items, if any, from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

Staffing matters

20/219 Chairman's Announcements

None

20/220 To confirm the minutes of the Walton on Trent Parish Council annual and monthly meeting held on 11.1.21

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11.1 .21 be approved.

20/221 Walton Village Hall

- Cosmic Occupational Licence. No further update.
- Village Hall management. M Horne and Councillor Barnes to discuss handover.
- Kitchen units/ Flooring//Broadband/Hive/Electronic Booking system/Slabs/Grant application Councillor Hearn has been following up on grant applications and will be using the Marches Energy Agency for a survey which should support funding applications. Councillor Hearn is also meeting with a carpenter to look at the floor strip that requires replacing and Gavin Fletcher on the 22.2.21 regarding a hydroelectric project in the River Trent.
- Bookings. 6 May Elections booking sheet returned to SDDC.
- PAT/Electrics to new shed 8.2.21. Delayed due to snow should be the end of the week.
- Chairs on stage need moving/Filing cabinets moving. Councillor Barnes to organise.
- Skip. Councillor Mousley to see what size skip is required.
- It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to Gwen Cooper who has tidied up the village hall garden on a voluntary basis for some time.

20/222 Clerks Report

- An update was given on the monitoring sheet which had been uploaded to Google sheets.
- Resignation of Parish Clerk received. Councillor Barnes thanked the Clerk and wished her well for the future. The appointment of locum Clerk Clare Orme was confirmed. Councillor Barnes, Lloyd and Byron will be the working group for the replacement permanent Clerk.

20/223 Correspondence for action

None

20/224 Working Group Reports

- a) Employees – Dealt with under confidential.
- b) Roads and pavements – Councillor Rafferty reported that while walking over the bridge he noticed they have cut all the bushes back and it's revealed some railings that have quite sharp spikes which could possibly injure someone if they were to fall onto them as they are quite low. They are on entrance to the pathway on the bridge going out of Walton. It was agreed to mention to DCC. A gully near the park is blocked. Working group to check.
- c) Footpaths – There were a number of footpath concerns that were raised. FP off Bells End Road – broken stile, photos sent to Clerk to report to DCC. Finger post covered in ivy FP7. FP8 broken way marker. Clerk to report to DCC.
- d) Park – Councillor Byron reported that the area is a quagmire and may need to be re-seeded. There are significant tyre tracks on the park churning up the grass. The lock on the wooden gates at the bottom of the park look like it has been smashed off. There is also evidence of dog fouling.
- e) Open spaces (Non Park) – Nothing to report.
- f) Website and other Communications

20/225 Planning matters for decision

Applications

There were no objections to the following applications:

- DMOT/2020/1357: The felling and pruning of trees at Walton Hall, Main Street
- DMOT/2020/1485: The felling/pruning of tree(s) covered by South Derbyshire District Council Tree Preservation Order no. 1 at Walton Hall, Main Street,
- DMPA/2020/1460. The removal of conditions no. 1 and 2 and the variation of conditions no. 4, 6, 7, 14, 19 and 34 of permission ref. 9/2015/1030 for the variation of condition 47 of planning permission ref. 9/2009/0341 (relating to a hybrid planning application with all matters reserved for up to 2,239 dwellings including a retirement village, an employment park, two local centres comprising retail services, leisure employment and community uses, public open spaces, a new primary school, associated landscape and infrastructure, including car parking, road and drainage measures, and the refurbishment of the listed stables and cottages (with full details- comprising change of use and repair of the building)) on Land at SK2420 2230, Drakelow Park,

It was agreed to make objections on the following application: -

- DMPA/2020/1266: Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings and the erection of 4no. dwellings and associated new access at Silsden, Coton Road,

There were no objections that could be made on the following application however comments and questions regarding the future of the old bridge and surrounding land had been circulated and it was agreed to send to DCC and SDDC:-

- DMPN/2020/1362. Certificate of Lawfulness for the construction of new road with bridge over the River Trent on Drakelow Road, Land between Lichfield Road (A38) and Drakelow Road

20/226 Finance

It was resolved to make the following payments:-

Payee	Expenditure	£
South Derbyshire CVS	Payroll	524.29
O Heap	Fire Extinguishers	156.00
Preserva	VH Treat infestation	311.04
L Storey	Expenses	25.00
TOTAL		1016.33

Receipts

Cosmic rent January £485.00
Table tennis rent £ 10.00

20/227 Bailey Bridge update following site meeting December 2019

The work is currently taking place. Items on the monitoring list to be reviewed when complete.

20/228 Grit bin request Mewies Close

The request was discussed and it was noted that should only be used for pavements. Councillors discussed that rock salt had so far been unused and with more cold weather forecast it was better to use the rock salt now rather than let the bags degrade. It was agreed to inform residents via the website/FB. Councillor Byron to follow up.

20/229 MEA Climate Action support

Covered under Walton Village Hall as a source of grant funding.

20/230 Telephone box/Book Exchange

The telephone box is still with Grupo Antolin. Councillor Barnes to follow up.

20/231 Grant application Cricket Club

There was a discussion on the Cricket Club and the need for a ball strike test to ensure that net is a sufficient height to prevent issues for the cricket club in relation to the bypass. This will be subsidised by ECB but the club will have to pay £480. Cllrs resolved to fund part of the cost (of an amount equal to PC remaining budget for grants for FY2020/21 (noting that FY ends 31 March 2021) with requirement that the club match fund the amount of the grant. Max Grant therefore £240.

20/232 Training courses for 2021

Councillor Rafferty to inform the Clerk of what date he would like to attend the new Councillor training course.

20/233 Office 365 Renewal

Discussion of payment issues regarding MS365. Cllr Barnes to raise in Chair's meeting at DALC on Wednesday re other council's experience. Council has access to google drive - free capacity is 15 GB. Cllr Byron to follow up with Clerk re uploading council emails and documents to google drive (already linked to Clerk's email). This would preclude need for transfer of documents via external drive. Physical documents and equipment would need to be transferred.

20/234 Request to Countryside to install CCTV

It was agreed to make a request to Countryside for CCTV near the flytipping site. Cllr Hearn to follow up flytipping with Richard Kay at Drakelow.

20/235 Reports from Councillors that have attended any other meetings

TTTV - Cllrs Rafferty and Hearn circulated slides from the meeting attended on the 19.1.21. Discussion on circular routes. Agreed to follow up with TTTV re information re Walton for information points.

- TTTV will mainly focus on access projects.
- Overall project will stretch from Staffordshire to the Humber Estuary
- This will be a walking route only - not averse to cycles and some routes already allow this but the infrastructure required to do this on paths that need creating would be too costly at the moment.
- This route will go by villages parks and have 5 new circular routes included.
- National lottery provides a big source of funding and recruiting has started to begin work on the route in spring. Total route length will be 51km long.
- There will be some stile work and repair to existing pathways and new links to be created to other rights of way.
- There is a website for referral and opening of the route will be communicated on completion.
- Potential to new rights of way over private property are small within the scope of the current project.
- Virtual walks across the Trent valley interactive/augmented enabling people to access the walks through their device.

Gateway to the Trent valley (part of this package)

- Creating a cycle link to the NMA - continuation of cycle route 54.
- Will be 1.3km long and go along the A513 - no scope for this to be a walking route due there being a small road section just after the flyover that has a culvert meaning a pathway would be too costly on that section.
- Will use the bridge to cross the A38
- The route will be safety audited before delivery of the project.

Waymarking of the cycle routes

- 4 cycle routes identified- Branston without a pickle 6.9miles, Swan around the washlands 2.5miles, Two counties ring 18.5 miles, We're not tyred yet 4.3 miles.
- Due to building at Branston the current temporary route may not be reinstated in the same place so work will not start on that part until completion of the housing project.
- Interpretation boards/points - there will be 15 points of interest along the way and the route goes around Walton so they are open to consideration of anything we would like to put forward as ideas for this (contact Steve Cheshire)
- Community grants may be used for the interpretation boards.
- We can contribute to the TTTV news letter and they are are happy to add into our if we want.
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- TTTV can provide links for the virtual walks if we want to add to our PC website.

20/236 Correspondence for Information

- Expiry of legislation re remote meetings - discussed need for risk assessment re PC meeting if legislation not extended. Clerk to put on agenda for April meeting. Annual Parish Meeting can be held in period March to June. Annual Parish Council meeting is usually combined with normal May meeting. Suggest hold before expiry of legislation. To pick up with locum Clerk. Cllr Lloyd asked if we have a list of dates for 2021 meetings. Cllr Barnes thought these had been circulated.
- Refuse collections update 25.1.21
- SDDC update 25.1.21
- 20.1.21 SDDC update. I have had confirmation from Managers now that we can look at replacing the removed logs. As we are having to work from home at the moment, I need to get permission to come out to site to take some photos and then find a supplier who would be able to send in replacements. We may have to get them to install them as well as unsure if this task would be too big for our Play Inspector.
- 14.1.21. I am aware from the Play Inspection reports carried out by our Play Inspector that he has had to remove a number of logs from the Trim Trail as they have become rotted and unsafe. Unfortunately we are finding this with a number of other play sites where wooden installations have been added. Going forward I am not sure whether it would be wise to reinstall further wooden logs to replace the original ones. I will ask our Play Inspector to have a look at the Trim Trail on his January inspections so that he can make a decision as to whether further work is required. I will update you when I have been out to site and found a suitable supplier.
- SDDC Summer Holiday Provision 2021 remaining slots
- DALC January newsletter
- Preserva booked 24.1.21 to treat wood
- Councillor Wheelton update 19.1.21 Further to your parish meeting:
 - I have chased the lorries going into Bullivants but not heard back, I have noticed they seem to have stopped since it was reported.
 - The Flytipping on the corner was reported and Environmental health are currently undertaking a search to find the ownership of the area and looking at the feasibility of deploying their new surveillance equipment, I have gained the landowners permission, (if this could be kept to Parish Councillors only it would be helpful please to make the surveillance more effective)
 - I am also engaging with officers & the Derbyshire and Derby CCG to try and get a Doctors surgery at Drakelow as I feel Seales and Linton are poorly served presently which I highlighted at last weeks Overview and Scrutiny meeting with the CCG (Clinical Commissioning Group) who agreed and have put us at the top of their priority list which is a positive step.
- SDDC update 16.1.21
- Damaged speed limit sign Rosliston Rd reported to DCC 25.1.21
- Bus shelter that needs cleaning reported to DCC on 20 & 25 .1.21 on Main Street close to the Coton Road junction
- Update from Councillor Wheelton. Flytipping at Drakelow reported and will enquire about the layby – below is the link which anyone can use to report Flytipping in South Derbyshire <https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/street-care/fly-tipping>
- Community News - 12 January 2021
- South Derbyshire CVS re funding for village halls
- DCC news 2 Feb 2021
- Keep up the good work and get tested in Swadlincote
- PCC Hardyal Dhindsa's Vulnerability Grant
- Transforming the Trent Valley - Including an article in your magazine/online news
- Covid Campaign
- Feeding Derbyshire Newsletter
- Police January Crime Report.

20/237 Date of the next meeting

- Monday 8 March 2021 via Zoom 7.00pm

20/238 Resolution under the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 to exclude members of the public.

Staffing update

See confidential minutes