

**MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON 10.2.20 AT WALTON VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT** Councillors A Barnes (Chair), P Byron, A Lloyd, C Mousley, C Talbot, Parish Clerk, 1 member of the public, Councillor A Wheelton (SDDC), Councillor A Brady (SDDC)

**20/001 To receive apologies for absence.**

Councillors H Hearn, M Rafferty

**20/002 Declaration of Members Interests**

None

**20/003 Public Speaking**

A parishioner asked the Parish Council about replacing the flag at the Church. The Parish Council had not been able to establish who owns the flag pole and therefore it was agreed to purchase a St Georges & Union Flag (subject to confirmation from parishioner of size required). Following purchases of flags it was agreed to follow up with the Parochial Church Council to agree where responsibilities for future flag purchases would lie.

Councillor Wheelton circulated leaflets on the Rural Crime team and useful SDDC/DCC/Police contacts.

A parishioner raised concerns about sheep worrying. Councillor Wheelton reported that this is being investigated. Further to comments about the state of the playing field Councillor Wheelton confirmed that SDDC schedule 16 cuts a year.

**20/004 To determine which items, if any, from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.**

Training and H&S of employees

Cosmic Occupational Licence

**20/005 Chairman's Announcements**

Thanks were given to Councillors Mousley and Lloyd for helping to move a tree that had fallen across the road on Sunday.

**20/006 To confirm the minutes of the Walton on Trent Parish Council annual and monthly meeting held on 13.1.20**

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13.1.20 be approved.

**20/007 Bailey Bridge/Traffic concerns meeting update**

Report covered in items discussed in Linton Area forum. It was agreed to post item on website to raise awareness among parishioners of process for reporting overweight vehicles entering the village in order to provide more evidence for County Councils of the extent of the problem. HGVs on Derbyshire side to be reported to Trading Standards. Councillor Talbot to confirm contact for Staffordshire side.

**20/008 Up-date on the phone box**

Councillor Lloyd reported that Western Power had responded about the electricity to the phone box and will follow this up.

Councillor Barnes to get an update on the telephone box and further refurbishment pictures if possible.

Councillors to re-instate the telephone box area in the village hall garden.

**20/009 Litter pick update**

It was agreed to ask Hansons if they would donate some litter pick sticks and high vis jackets. Councillor Barnes to update risk reviews from 2019 litter pick. It was noted that the Primary School had included information on the litter pick in their recent newsletters. Councillor Byron to set up Facebook event on the Parish Council Facebook page so that PC will have an idea of expected number of people attending.

**20/010 Dog Fouling**

It was agreed to share the website information to the Friends of Walton on Trent FB page.

**20/011 Playing Field Mowing**

Noted during public speaking it was a SDDC responsibility.

**20/012 Parking concerns**

Noted that it was a SDDC matter if there are any concerns.

### **20/013 Appointment of internal auditor**

It was resolved to appoint S Lorking.

### **20/014 Clerks Report**

- Monitoring List – Councillors to review and update prior to next meeting
- Summer Holiday Provision 2020 booked 10 am-12.00 Thursday 6 August

### **20/015 Correspondence for action**

- Climate Emergency Workshops. No further action at present.
- South Derbyshire Environmental Forum - survey and other news. No further action at present
- Clerk to contact Sam Griffiths SCC regarding litter on Station Lane
- Clerk to contact DCC regarding the state of the verge by the bus stop on Main Street

### **20/016 Planning matters for decision**

#### Applications

There were no objections to the following application:-

- DMPA/2020/0096 The erection of extensions and a porch at 8 Orchard Close

### **20/017 Working Group Reports**

#### Walton Village Hall

- A joint meeting had been held on the 5.2.20 and notes had been circulated.
- Village Hall Plot of land – Awaiting an update from SDDC
- Shed – It was agreed to install a ramp & railing for access to the new shed at a cost of £250
- It was agreed to confirm to the village hall that the H&S inspections are required to be undertaken once a month.

### **20/018 Reports from Councillors that have attended any other meetings.**

#### **Notes from Linton area forum 21 Jan 2020 – Councillor Barnes**

1. The most contentious issues raised related to HGV/ traffic through the villages notably HGVs in Netherseal, Castle Gresley, Linton and relevant signage. Pat Murray was to obtain feedback from DCC Highways within 3 weeks. I also raised with Pat feedback was still needed from DCC on points raised pre-Xmas.

2. Issue of dog mess was also raised - response from SDDC was to ring the clean team as if they are not aware of issues then they can't clean it up.

3. Walton bridge - Amy read out email from Richard Kay at Drakelow Developments. This was reported in the Burton Mail on Thursday. <https://www.derbytelegraph.co.uk/burton/housing-boss-say-new-walton-3770184>  
Frank McCardle (CEO of SDDC) had met with some residents of Drakelow earlier in the week and had intimated that there may be some movement on whether Homes England could potentially assist with funding next month. At the meeting Frank McCardle had asked if sorting the Bailey Bridge was a major issue for residents - most hands went up at this point so he was going to raise with his counterparts at DCC.

4. Police - Dave McMillan (PCSO) now back after his hip replacement. No. Of officers at Swad increased from 5 to 10. There is a new sergeant coming to the station Sgt Taj Nizer. Increase in officers to counter increased crime including drugs (such as recent raid of cannabis farm in Cadley) and car theft (high performance vehicles mainly).

5. SDDC budget proposed increase in council tax of 1.95%. F McCardle made a point of noting that district and county councils are restricted to rises of less than 2% unless referendum approves larger increase while Parish Councils are not subject to the same restriction (he noted this specifically).

6. Other general items raised by SDDC were around the space apple tree and Grant for capital projects (minimum £4K max £25k) administered by Ian Hey.

Councillor Lloyd gave an update on Tucklesholme nature reserve. Litter has become an issue and they have agreed to install a bin. Solutions to ASB near the entrance are being looked at. A Foot Path extension to the west shore has been planned. There are aspirations for a forest school and a wetland board walk.

## 20/019 Finance

### Receipts

27.12.19	SDDC	VH Contribution	2117.00
8.1.20	Village Hall	VH Rent	167.50
17.1.20	RBS	Transfer	14678.22

Final bank interest RBS £.62 account now closed

It was resolved to make the following payments:-

Payee	Expenditure	£
South Derbyshire CVS	Payroll January	513.63
Waterplus	Village Hall water	245.81
Country Services	Mower Service	130.53
SDDC	Dog bins	267.70
Mike Dughan	PAT	85.00
L Storey	Expenses	74.49
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1317.16</b>

### 20/020 Correspondence for Information

- DALC Circular 1-2/2020
- Derbyshire floods - tell us your experience
- Village hall working group minutes for 22.01.20
- 20 miles per hour speed limit – DCC
- Derbyshire Constabulary Invitation - 16 March 2020 - Town & Parish Councils' Evening
- Latest news item - space sapling for Rosliston
- 16.1.20 Thank you very much for your application, I have forwarded it to the CRC Community Payback team and they should come out to assess the work and be in touch to discuss the application and work.
- Linton Area Forum Agenda Pack
- SDDC Community and Environment Partnership Grant Scheme 2019-2021

### 20/021 Date of the next meeting

- Monday 9 March 2020 at Walton on Trent Village Hall 7.00pm

### 20/022 Resolution under the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 to exclude members of the public.

### Training and H&S of employees

It was agreed to organise an appraisal for the Lengthsman.

### Cosmic Occupational Licence

No further update. Clerk to follow up with RAD.