

MINUTES OF WALTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 14.9.20 VIA ZOOM

PRESENT Councillors A Barnes (Chair), P Byron, H Hearn, A Lloyd, C Mousley, M Rafferty, Parish Clerk, Councillor A Wheelton (SDDC), Councillor A Brady (SDDC)

20/119 To receive apologies for absence.

Councillor P Murray (DCC)

20/120 Declaration of Members Interests

Councillor Barnes declared an interest in planning application DMOT/2020/0838: Councillor Lloyd declared an interest in planning application DMPA/2020/0437. Councillor Hearn declared an interest in planning application DMPA/2020/0766:

20/121 Public Speaking

Councillor Wheelton had emailed through all updates.

Councilor Wheelton reported that there is a special SDDC environmental meeting tomorrow. They are looking to do the gully cleaning in house. This should offer an improved service and help with flooding issues. Councillor Lloyd asked if there is a plan of all the gullies. Councillor Wheelton did not think so and Councillors Mousley & Rafferty offered to prepare a plan. The bridge needs sweeping and there is a patch of broken glass. Councillor Lloyd thanked Councillor Wheelton for the update on the verges.

Verge Management/Grass cutting/wildflower planting Officers will be meeting with colleagues from the County Council in early October to consider next steps for our Agency Agreement with respect to verge management. The County Council has indicated it is interested in piloting new approaches to verge management with South Derbyshire which could include different mowing regimes to encourage indigenous wild flowers along with evaluating the non-native wildflower planting pilots that Council implemented last year. A report to EDS Committee on this topic in due course, taking into account the requirements of the County as Highway Authority from a Highway Safety perspective.

20/122 To determine which items, if any, from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

None

20/123 Chairman's Announcements

Councillor Barnes asked about the Parish Councillor vacancy. The Clerk reported that SDDC had emailed to say at the moment they are unable to produce the notice of vacancy due to not being able to hold an election until May next year. They will make a note that we will require the notice and we will get one to you once we are able to produce them. The flag weight had arrived and had been passed to the Parochial Church Council.

20/124 To confirm the minutes of the Walton on Trent Parish Council annual and monthly meeting held on 10.8.20

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10.8.20 be approved.

20/125 Walton Village Hall

- Ramp update. Councillor Mousley is awaiting materials.
- Shed update. It will be ready by the end of next week. Clerk to follow up about removal of the old shed.
- Asbestos Survey. Completed and no problems.
- Covid-19 paperwork/booking form. It was agreed that Yoga could start from 6.00. The Choir could meet in the garden if they meet the government guidelines.
- Cosmic Occupational Licence. It was agreed to ask Cosmic to put their concerns in writing. A surveyor had looked around the cottage and provided some advice.
- Village Hall management. No further update on potential members. Councilor Barnes to draft job description for caretaker/bookings secretary role. Councillor Barnes had drafted an operating budget which showed a shortfall. It is hoped that bookings will pick up to cover the shortfall which the Parish Council will otherwise have to cover.
- Kitchen units. It was agreed to make a special appeal for help with the kitchen refurbishment on the website and FB. Suggestions were made for sponsor a new kitchen or community project.
- Councillor Hearn had asked Burton College to see if they would be interested in a project to replace the garden slabs.
- The SDDC Community Partnership Officer had made contact offering support. It was agreed to ask for a meeting to look at projects to update the kitchen/ toilets.

20/126 Clerks Report

- Awaiting return of Cosmic licence
- Request to install bin on DCC land sent 15.7.20
- PKF External audit – No issues reported

20/127 Correspondence for action

- Clerks 2020-21 National Salary Award. Noted

20/128 Planning matters for decision

Applications

There were no objections to the following applications:-

- DMPA/2020/0437 Installation of a ground source heat pump on Land to the rear of Walton Hall, SK2117 5882, Coton Road, Walton On Trent,
- DMPA/2020/0766: The demolition of the front wall and the erection of a rear extension at 42 Main Street
- Variation of condition 3 of permission ref. 9/2018/0463 (relating to the continued use of land for agriculture and dog exercising) on Land to the rear of 45 Bells End Road, Walton On Trent
- DMOT/2020/0838: Notification of planning application The pruning of trees at The Stables, Barr Hall Farm, Drakelow Road,

Approved

- DMOT/2020/0614 Felling of a Silver Birch and crown reduction of a further Silver Birch at 27 Main Street

20/129 Working Group Reports

Councillor Hearn gave an update on footpaths. All the issues seem to have been resolved.

Councillor Byron reported that the park equipment looked tired, old and when mowed huge clumps of grass were left. It was agreed to feed this back to Councillor Wheelton.

20/130 Reports from Councillors that have attended any other meetings.

Update from Staffordshire Wild Life Trust - Jeff Simms had reported that there had been a petition to install a bin. This would cost around £1000 per year and therefore no further action is proposed. The Trust is looking to encourage community work and it was agreed to ask them for information that could be uploaded to the website.

20/131 Finance

It was resolved to make the following payments:-

Payee	Expenditure	£
South Derbyshire CVS	Payroll August	513.63
Bloomin Gardens	Mowing	66.00
Flagmakers	Weight	70.87
PKF	External Audit	360.00
Gaskell Safety	Asbestos Survey	480.00
C Mousley	Expenses	17.85
L Storey	Expenses	25.00
TOTAL		1533.35

Receipts

Cosmic rent August £485

Monthly accounts circulated

20//132 Remembrance Wreath

It was agreed to make a donation of £50 to the Royal British Legion for a wreath. It was agreed to display the lamppost poppies again this year.

20/133 Land to the rear of Walton Village Hall

Councillor Hearn to follow up with residents on their plans for the land before the Council respond back to SDDC.

20/134 Meeting dates 2021

It was resolved to accept the meeting dates that had been circulated.

20/135 Reports from Councillors that have attended any other meetings

None

20/136 Correspondence for Information

- Hilton, Marston on Dove and Hoon Neighbourhood Development Plan consultation
- Councillor A Wheelton SDDC updates
- Temporary Road Closure: Catton Road, Walton-On-Trent. 1.10.20
- Climate Emergency survey
- DCC Community News 18 August 2020
- Active Communities & Health Team - Summer 2020 Newsletter
- Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government issued three consultations on reform of the planning system:
- Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service annual report
- August crime report

20/137 Date of the next meeting

- Monday 12 October 2020 via Zoom 7.00pm

20/138 Resolution under the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 to exclude members of the public.