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## WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

Walton-in-Gordano - Walton Down - Walton Bay

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**Councillors are summoned to a Meeting of the Council on Monday 11th February 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

*All may attend (unless sensitive matters are being discussed), and meet Councillors, but may not participate in the meeting.*

**Don Hill - Clerk**

### Agenda & Agenda Notes

1. **APOLOGIES**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
3. **LAST MEETING MINUTES** - January 14th - to be agreed and signed by Chair & Clerk.
4. **MATTERS ARISING NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE**
5. **EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT**

**Road Safety:** NSC thoughts re queries arising from the January meeting are: **Possible Weight Restrictions:** It would be possible to implement a weight restriction on both Walton Street and Moor Lane though as we discussed there would always need to be an exemption for access on both roads, so genuine large vehicles could still access property and land off of the roads. Before we did this though we would need an understanding of the quantity of vehicles which are using these roads without a genuine need. In other areas we have asked either the local community, the PC or individuals to keep a diary of when they see a large vehicle using the road and try and identify the business. We would then write to the companies to try to understand why they are using the road to determine whether their use is legitimate. If this exercise demonstrates there are significant numbers of vehicles using this road that could use a more suitable alternative then we could then consider putting in place a weight limit. **Single Track Road signs:** (which also say with passing places) on Walton Street and Moor lane would not be appropriate because, two vehicles can pass each other for the majority of the length of both roads and therefore does not meet the criteria. **Quiet Lanes:** There are none in North Somerset. They are quite involved and potentially costly to implement and need strong local support to succeed. While the purpose is to encourage use by walkers, horse riders and cyclists they are not a mechanism to restrict cars and therefore are probably not suitable in these locations. Minute 4093 plus attachment (September 11th 2017) references earlier consideration of the topic.
6. **PLANNING**

**New:**  
**Decisions Due:** Lorraine Field 18/P/4021/FUL vary condition 21 of 17/P/1339/F. 18/P/4971/FUH Drovers Brook extension.  
**Withdrawn:** 18/P/4346/FUH Nutshell fence.
7. **PARISH MAINTENANCE**

**End Gully at Rear of Home Farm Cottage:** Camera investigation done. Work plan awaited.  
**Village Gateway Preparation:** Erection - very ball park - 358 per gate. **Clerk to seek quote for gate(s)**  
**Somerset Stones in Walton Street:** two broken - reported  
**Fly Tipping in Lay-by Opposite Signal Station:** Reported.
8. **OTHER MATTERS**
9. **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**
10. **FINANCE**

**2018-19 Accounts:** pre-circulated with meeting papers.  
**Funding Request from St Paul's Church:**  
**Standing Order:** variation re Clerk's pay  
**Cheques:** 773... Hall Hire

## **Minutes of the Meeting Held on Monday 14th January 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs Brian Cannell (Chair), Mike Ralston, Rachel Dickinson, Nigel Wilyman

**In Attendance:** Colin Medus (NSC Liaison), Don Hill (Clerk)

**Public Attendance:** 7

**001/19 APOLOGIES** NSC Ward Cllr Nigel Ashton

**002/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - Cllr Cannell is the immediate next door neighbour re planning application 18/F/4971/FUH. Cllr Ralston's company Solsoft provides the Council's internet service.

**003/19 LAST MEETING MINUTES** - December 10th - were agreed and signed by Vice-Chair & Clerk.

**004/19 MATTERS ARISING NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE** none

### **005/19 BROADBAND**

#### **Truespeed Fibre-to-the-Home Service - A Presentation by Andy Moore**

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Recent meeting papers have included a digest of the current problems at Gigaclear. There are continuing uncertainties in relation to a revised Gigaclear timetable. Given that Truespeed, uniquely, offer fibre to the home via leases on Western Power and BT poles rather than via underground excavation, they reckon to connect homes within about six months of work starting. There is no up front cost from the community, but TrueSpeed will not commit to starting a community installation until they have a sign-up of 30% of that community to the project. The consumer commitment is to an 18 month fixed price contract at £47.50 per month, which includes broadband at a full 200mb/s, up and down (potential for 1000mb/s), and a telephone line, which can carry the customer's existing telephone number. The school (if there is one) and Village Hall are provided with a free service. In the absence of a school, the possibility was raised of the Church being included instead.

In signing up, you commit to taking the Truespeed service, only so long as they provide that service within 6 months of your sign up. Their service will not reach us for another year to eighteen months, so nothing is lost by signing up! We need as many sign-ups as possible in order to get us on the Truespeed work schedule, and if the CDS/Gigaclear service does come through and is earlier, then, again, nothing is lost. Our neighbours in Kenn went through this sign up process and they are now likely to 'go live' by the end of the year - so the more people who sign up, the sooner we can expect to receive a genuinely fast broadband service.

TrueSpeed are a local company, based in Keynsham. They have some £75million of backing, which includes involvement from Aviva. Several surrounding parishes are signed up or fully operational. **Clerk will put a piece about this alternative broadband offer in the February Cross Tree Chronicle and on the website.**

### **006/19 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT**

**Road Safety:** at the 'from Clevedon' Cross Tree junction, Cllr Wilyman and his dog were recently caught between the Cross Tree Farm wall and a car that came from the B3124 into Walton Street without slowing to observe the circumstances pertaining in the road being entered. Cllr Wilyman fell, blooded, and with broken glasses. The motorist stopped, verbally abused him, then drove off. For a third time, the recently installed 20mph sign at the junction has been hit and turned so as to be out of a drivers vision, presumably by large vehicles taking the corner too tightly. As a daily user of the

Village road system Cllr Wilyman was palpably exhausted by his frustration at neither highway regulations nor police enforcement being able to contribute any semblance of order to the ever increasing chaos that appears the norm of modern-day 'pre-occupied' driving. Several possible easements in favour of safety on this corner arose from discussion. Designation of Quiet Lane status to Walton Street : Extension of the raised pavement from the Cross Tree Farm gateway to the junction (this was substituted, during recent improvements, by road painting, which motorists tend to ignore) : installation of 'single track' signage to indicate the narrowness of Walton Street : 7.5 ton weight limit, which includes an 'only-for-access' caveat. **Colin Medus undertook to explore options and report back and to see if a secure solution to the movement of the 20mph sign can be implemented.**

#### 007/19 PLANNING

**New: 18/F/4971/FUH** Drovers Brook, Moor Lane. Erection of single storey extension. This item was circulated to Members in December and the following passed to NSC planning: *"Comment; to support the application. Given that historical planning inconsistencies are too far back to attract enforcement, the present structure is a discreet and comfortable part of the local scene. The present application enhances the existing structure and is well screened from Moor Lane, the only point where there would be any visual impact. Members do not feel competent to offer opinions on those technical aspects of the proposal more properly the remit of the NSLIDB."* This was agreed as the minute re this application.

**Decisions Due: Lorraine Field - 18/P/4021/FUL** to vary condition 21 of 17/P/1339/F. **18/P/4346/FUH** Nutshell fence.

**Granted: 18/P/4638/FUH & 18/P/4639/LBC** Old Rectory House sun room. **18/P/4658/FUH** Castle View side extension.

#### 008/19 PARISH MAINTENANCE

**End Gully at Rear of Home Farm Cottage:** Camera investigation done. Work plan awaited. **Colin undertook to follow up the job's status on the work programme.**

**Village Gateway Preparation:** Clerk to seek quote for gate(s), and erection by Adrian Leonard.

**Somerset Stones in Walton Street:** two broken. Clerk to investigate and report to NSC.

#### 009/19 OTHER MATTERS

**Bristol Airport:** WalG is not directly impacted by the proposed expansion, except by noise from aircraft descents from the North. Parishes nearer airport will be pro-active in commenting on the increase of night flights and pressures on the road infrastructure, carbon footprints etc.

#### 010/19 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS None

#### 011/19 FINANCE

**2018-19 Accounts:** pre-circulated with meeting papers, review and noted.

**2019-20 Budget:** Draft was pre-circulated. It was reviewed, with Cllr Ralston explaining the charging structure underlying the (heavily subsidised) website costs, which include two domain names and five email addresses. Approval was proposed by Cllr Cannell, seconded by Cllr Ralston, and unanimously agreed. The approved budget is attached as part of these minutes.

**Cheques: 770** R Kent sapling clearance re Village Gate **771** A C Harris Ground clearance re village gate £87.60 **772** Hall Hire £6.00

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

# WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET

1st April 2019 - 31st March 2020 Precept £4804

Expenses >>>	Clerk	Clrk/Clr	Hall	Public	Ins/Subs	Parish	Other	Web	
		Exp	Hire	Light	Audit/GDPR*	Maint	Costs	Site	
<i>2017-18 Actual Expenses</i>	<i>1,728.00</i>	<i>314.40</i>	<i>93.00</i>	<i>59.56</i>	<i>279.79</i>	<i>320.00</i>		<i>200.04</i>	<i>2,994.79</i>
<b>2018-19 Estimated Expenses</b>	<b>1764.00</b>	<b>314.40</b>	<b>81.00</b>	<b>73.85</b>	<b>339.91</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>68.49</b>	<b>200.04</b>	<b>2841.69</b>
2018-19 Budget	1,764.00	315.00	126.00	80.00	375.00	380.00	0.00	210.00	<b>3,250.00</b>
Election Provision									300.00
Capital Provision									800.00
<b>2018-19 PRECEPT</b>									<b>4350.00</b>
Hourly rate for 3 hours per week	£11.31 per Hr								
2019-20 Expenses Budget	2184.00	315.00	120.00	110.00	375.00	550.00	100.00	250.00	4004.00
Plus Election Provision									300.00
Plus Capital Provision									500.00
<b>2019-20 PRECEPT</b>									<b>4804.00</b>
% hourly rate increase over prior year	+ 6.1%								+ 3.3%
hours up from 3 p wk to 3.5 p wk	£12.00 per hr								
Operating Funds to c/f									2626.28
Add standing bal on Tr a/c									150.00
Add Election & Referenda									1722.24
Add Capital Provision									2600.00
<b>Total Funds to c/f to 2019-20</b>									<b>7098.52</b>

**WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL INCOME & EXPENDITURE: 1st April 2018 - 31st March 2019 (Precept £4350.00 : CT Support Grant £43.00)**

DATE	ITEM	BANK (run via deposit account)				GENERAL FUND EXPENSE ANALYSIS											OPERATING FUNDS					
		CH	IN	OUT	BALANCE	Stmnt	NOTES	Clerk	Clk/Cllr	Hall	Public	Ins/Subs	Parish	Other	Web	TOTALS	VAT	Election	Capital	General	Total Op	
2017																						
-2018																						
Apr 1	<b>Funds Bought Forward</b>				<b>5,544.05</b>																	
	Less bal on Treasurer's a/c				150.00																	
	<b>OPERATING BAL B/F</b>				<b>5,394.05</b>																	
Apr 6	NSC C Tax Supp	BACS	43.00		5,437.05	05-06		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							43.00
Apr 9	ALCA	757		56.31	5,380.74	05-06								56.31								56.31
	D Hill refund re Roy Betts	758		33.49	5,347.25	05-06										33.49						33.49
	Southern Electric	DD		5.34	5,341.91	05-06					5.34											5.34
	Solsoft	SO		16.67	5,325.24	05-06									16.67							16.67
	Clerk's Pay & Expenses	SO		141.40	5,183.84	05-06	Old amount	115.20	26.20													141.40
	Interest		0.23		5,184.07	05-06																0.23
	NSC Precept - 50%	DD	2175.00		7,359.07	05-06	AGREES											150.00	400.00	1,625.00		
	WalG Village re Hall Hire	759		9.00	7,350.07	06-07				9.00												9.00
May 14	Southern Electric	DD		5.01	7,345.06	06-07					5.01											5.01
	Solsoft	SO		16.67	7,328.39	06-07									16.67							16.67
	Clerk's Pay & Expenses	SO		141.40	7,186.99	06-07	Old amount	115.20	26.20													141.40
	Interest		0.28		7,187.27	06-07																0.28
	Zurich Insurance	760		224.00	6,963.27	06-07							224.00									224.00
	WalG Village re Hall Hire	761		15.00	6,948.27	07-08				15.00												15.00
	Phil Smith re Audit	762		59.60	6,888.67	06-07	AGREES						59.60									59.60
Jun 11	Southern Electric	DD		5.17	6,883.50	07-08					5.17											5.17
	Solsoft	SO		16.67	6,866.83	07-08									16.67							16.67
	Clerk's Pay & Expenses	SO		144.28	6,722.55	07-08		118.08	26.20													144.28
	Interest		0.32		6,722.87	07-08	AGREES															0.32
	WalG Village re Hall Hire	-		0.00	6,722.87	-	no meeting															0.00
Jul 7	Southern Electric	DD		5.17	6,717.70	08-09					5.17											5.17
	Solsoft	SO		16.67	6,701.03	08-09									16.67							16.67
	Clerk's Pay & Expenses	SO		144.28	6,556.75	08-09		118.08	26.20													144.28
	Interest		0.26		6,557.01	08-09																0.26
	WalG Village re Hall Hire	-		0.00	6,557.01	-	no meeting															0.00
	HMRC Apr/May/Jun	763		88.20	6,468.81	08-09	AGREES	88.20														88.20
Aug 13	Southern Electric	DD		5.17	6,463.64	09-10	no meeting				5.17											5.17
	Solsoft	SO		16.67	6,446.97	09-10									16.67							16.67
	Clerk's Pay & Expenses	SO		144.28	6,302.69	-9-10		118.08	26.20													144.28
	Interest		0.28		6,302.97	09-10	AGREES															0.28
	WalG Village re Hall Hire	-		0.00	6,302.97	-	no meeting															0.00
Sep 10	Southern Electric	DD		5.34	6,297.63	10-11					5.34											5.34
	Solsoft	SO		16.67	6,280.96	10-11									16.67							16.67
	Clerk's Pay & Expenses	SO		144.28	6,136.68	10-11		118.08	26.20													144.28
	HMRC Jul/Aug/Sep	764		88.20	6,048.48	10-11		88.20														88.20
	Interest		0.30		6,048.78	10-11																0.30
	NSC Precept - 50%		2175.00		8,223.78	10-11	AGREES											150.00	400.00	1,625.00		
	WalG Village re Hall Hire	765		9.00	8,214.78	11-12				9.00												9.00
Oct 8	Street Light new contract, EDF				8,214.78	-																0.00
	Solsoft	SO		16.67	8,198.11	11-12									16.67							16.67
	Clerk's Pay & Expenses	SO		144.28	8,053.83	11-12		118.08	26.20													144.28
	Interest		0.33		8,054.16	11-12																0.33
	Southern Electric final to 31 Sep	DD		4.65	8,049.51	11-12					4.65											4.65
	ICO GDPR Registration	DD		35.00	8,014.51	11-12	AGREES								35.00							35.00

