
WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual and Ordinary Meetings of the Council Held on Monday 13th May 2019 at 7.00 p.m. in Walton-in-Gordano Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Brian Cannell (Vice Chair & Meeting Chair post Minute 043/19), Rachel Dickinson, Nigel Wilyman

In Attendance: Don Hill (Clerk)

Public Attendance: 1

THE ANNUAL MEETING

(the 1st following the local government elections of May 2nd)

- 041/19 DECLARATIONS** of acceptance of office & register of members' interests were completed.
- 042/19 WELCOME & APOLOGIES** Cllr Cannell welcomed everyone as Councillors for the new 4 year term. **Apologies** from Cllr Mike Ralston, Cllr Nigel Ashton (NSC), Colin Medus (NSC Liaison)
- 043/19 ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR:** The Clerk called for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair. After discussion, before and at the meeting, and without a formal vote, it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Ralston would be Chair and Cllr Cannell Vice Chair. Cllr Cannell duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Vice Chair and took the Chair for the meeting.
- 044/19 REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES:** Cllr Dickinson - Village Hall Committee. Cllr Ralston - Gordano Greenway.
- 045/19 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** *(To be delivered at the immediately following Annual Parish meeting)*

THE ORDINARY MEETING

- 046/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:** **Cllr Cannell;** re Planning Application 19//1083/FUH as immediate neighbour. **Cllr Dickinson;** re the Village Gateway, as resident of the 1st driveway at the Portishead entry to the Village on the B3124, adjacent to the Village entry and 30mph.
- 047/19 LAST MEETING MINUTES** - April 8th were agreed and signed by Chair & Clerk
- 048/19 MATTERS ARISING NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE** - none
- 049/19 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT** - no reports
- 050/19 PLANNING**
New: 19/P/0968/TRCA Tree work at The Manor. 19/P/1083/FUH Drovers Brook revision of recent grant at 18/P/4971/FUH. No objections to either application. **Clerk to so inform NSC Planners.**
Approved: 19/P/0625/FUL The Nutshell - boundary plans

051/19 PARISH MAINTENANCE

End Gully at Rear of Home Farm Cottage: Camera investigation done. Work timetable awaited.

Village Gateway Preparation: NSC require the relocation of 30mph signs to current national guidelines before any action can be taken to install a village gateway. This issue has cropped up several times since it emerged in an NSC email of 15th May 2017 and minute 4083 of the July 2017 Council meeting. The guidelines and associated map are attached to form a part of these minutes. The meeting remains of the view - oft repeated during meetings though 2018, that it does not wish to see the proposed repositioning of the speed limit signs. Along the B3124 and Moor Lane it would mean motorists were in the thick of the village before they had to slow down - It would also cripple any opportunity to continue SpeedWatch at the Portishead end of the village, where it is showing signs of success and seems directly at odds with the installation of a 20mph speed limit along the same stretch of road in our neighbouring village. The meeting decided to put the village gateway scheme on hold while it considered its options both in this regard, and in relation to the Highways Strategy as set out at Minute 4141 of its February 2018 meeting - available to view on the website noticeboard.

052/19 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Dickinson: The Weston-in-Gordano grit bin on Coast Road at Walton Bay (inside this parish as the most realistic location) has been crashed in to. **Clerk of inform Weston-in-Gordano PC.**

Cllr Wilyman: potholes are breaking out again at the bottom of Harley Hill. Although technically in East Clevedon, **Clerk to report to our NSC Area Officer.**

Cllr Cannell: Unauthorised event notices have been tied to street furniture in the area, including one near Plumtree Cottage (*gone by Sunday May 19th*). There is a bush overgrowing into the road at Roseway Cottage that interferes with the sight-lines as one exits Moor Lane towards Portishead. **Cllr Wilyman undertook to speak with owner.**

053/19 FINANCE

2019-20 Accounts: pre-circulated, reviewed and noted.

Internally audited 2018-19 Accounts: The internal audit has been successfully completed. The results will be available at the June meeting so that pre publication paperwork can be completed.

Accounting Efficiencies: Awaiting a Hall Committee decision re the payment of Hall hire fee by standing order. Online banking with 2 signature e-mail authorisation secured by next-meeting ratification. **Clerk to complete forms, codify secure action procedures (within the context of the Council's Financial Regulations) and gain signatures prior to ratification at June meeting.**

Cheques: 780 Zurich Insurance £244.00. **781** Hall Hire £12.00

The meeting closed at 7.50pm