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**WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL**

Walton-in-Gordano - Walton Down - Walton Bay

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## **Minutes of the Meeting Held on Monday 8th October 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

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

**In Attendance:** Don Hill (Clerk)

**Public Attendance:** 0

**4192 APOLOGIES** Cllr Nigel Ashton, Colin Medus (NSC Liaison)

**4193 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** None

**4194 LAST MEETING MINUTES** (September 10th 2018) were agreed, and signed by Chair & Clerk.

**4195 MATTERS ARISING NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE** None

### **4196 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT**

**SpeedWatch:** Cllr Wilyman said the NSC VAS machine had now moved to another parish. We had use of it for 95 days, during which time 95,264 drivers were recorded as having broken the speed limit - about 1,000 per day. It sounds a lot; but in percentage terms it is deemed an average proportion of the total traffic movements. Police are being supportive of the SpeedWatch effort by mounting more speed checks of their own than they have done hitherto.

### **4197 PLANNING**

**New: 18/P4276/FUL** Lorraine Field: the final plot - 15 - has been recently purchased by the applicant, who seeks permission for the engineering work need to integrate it into the already approved scheme for 14 pitches. Notwithstanding the concerns aired re the levels of pitches, members had no cause not to support this logical concluding element of the the scheme. **Clerk to so report to NSC. 18/P/4346/FUH** The Nutshell Erection of 1800mm larch boundary fence along the road-fronting boundary. No objections. **Clerk to so report to NSC.**

**Decision Due: Lorraine Field - 18/P/4021/FUL** to vary condition 21 of decision 17/P/1339/F

### **4198 PARISH MAINTENANCE**

**Home Farm Cottage:** Gully confirmed as cleared in still overflowing. Cllr Ashton following up post two recent parish visits.

**Village Gateway Preparation:** Verge work in hand via Church Farm.

**B3124 Speed Calming:** White line edge-painting on B3124 from Cross Tree towards Portishead has proved effective in the past. **Clerk to pursue the possibility with NSC.**

**Arodene to Golf Course Footpath:** This has not been routinely cut. This year was exceptional and NSC did some cutting back while investigating the Clerk's earlier enquiry. There are not funds or staff to add it to the routine job schedule.

**Public Footpaths:** The following information is now on the website noticeboard:

Visit <http://map.n-somerset.gov.uk/dande.html>. Click public rights of way box to left of map and zoom in to your required location

**Moor Lane - Rubbish in Rhyme at Cassie's Gate:** Off the highway. Estate notified.

**Portishead Triathlon:** There are not realistically enforceable speed limits for cycles.

**4199 OTHER MATTERS** None

#### **5000 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

**Cllr Dickinson** received a complaint about **sewage** smells in the area of the open Walton Brook section on Walton Street. With individual systems playing up periodically, this happens in an area not connected to the main sewage system. Members will monitor the matter.

**Cllr Ralston** re **broadband**. Contractual issues re the installers seeking to run their cabling across private land, rather than via the highway may shortly be resolved, hopefully without delaying the planned work. *(Clerk's note: the day following the meeting, issues emerged from the main contractor that may lead to a revised - delayed - timetable of work; more information is awaited).*

**Cllr Wilyman** reported that, yet again, Village Hall patrons - *again* re a children's party - are **parking on the main road** rather than on Moor Lane. Our Hall representatives will press for stronger parking protocols and the **Clerk will write to the Hall Committee to again stress the danger of this particular parking practice**. **Weed control** is absent since NSC stopped their spraying of curbs and pavements. Cllr Wilyman undertook to clear the areas immediately around the Cross Tree as a contribution to improving matters.

**Cllr Cannell** reported the 30mph roundel at Plumtree is overgrown. **Clerk undertook to clear this.**

#### **5001 FINANCE**

**2019-20 Budget:** The Chair reminded members of the need to reflect on this and be ready to feed ideas to the Clerk at the November meeting, so that a draft budget can be prepared for the December meeting prior to final draft approval in January.

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

**Cheques: 766** Hall Hire £6.00

**The meeting closed at 8.30pm**