
WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting at Walton-in-Gordano Village Hall Monday 5th September 2016 at 7.30pm

(note: there was no July meeting as there was no quorum and, as usual, there was no August meeting. This meeting was moved to the 1st Monday of the month to ensure a quorum.)

Present: Cllrs B Cannell (Chair), M Ralston, N Wilyman, R Dickinson (after minute 3976)

In Attendance: Seb Greene (NSC Liaison), Don Hill (Clerk)

Public Attendance: 0

3975 APOLOGIES: Cllr A Brellisford, Cllr N Ashton (NSC), PC Jen Clarke

3976 COOPTION OF COUNCILLOR: Rachel Dickinson's application had been pre-circulated. It was reviewed, and unanimously accepted by a show of hands; she completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Register of Member's Interests and joined the meeting.

3977 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

3978 LAST MEETING MINUTES (June 13th 2016) agreed and signed by Chairman & Clerk.

3979 MATTERS ARISING: The recent triathlon was mentioned as having 'blocked' some residents in at Walton Bay. There were no formal complaints received this year.

3980 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Police: No crimes showing on the police.uk site to end of June.

SpeedWatch: Rachel organised a mini-stall at the Fete to promote SpeedWatch. A volunteer training meeting is to be held in the Hall and suggestions were offered as to how internet signals might be available so that the police on-line training programme can be used. There seems to be police money available towards purchasing the speed gun equipment, which will be valuable in that the social Committee donation can then be devoted to the essential signage and kit purchases that will be needed. Audrey Hollingsworth has pointed Rachel to contacts in Weston-in-Gordano who's long experience in this area may prove useful in terms of both setting up, and in developing possible areas of cooperation.

3981 PLANNING

There are no 'in process' applications.

3982 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Potholes: Mike Brown has marked for repair areas in Moor Lane, Walton Street and the Coast Road and is obviously 'keeping an eye' on repair needs. Other areas are emerging along the Coast Road that will need attention over the next few months. There is a drainage cover at the top of the Birch's/Two Acres drive that is loose, noisy and with fraying foundations. **Clerk to liaise with Mike Brown.**

Signage: Loose pole by Plumtree still not removed. **Clerk to chase.**

Sewage Leak at Barton's: Ongoing plans for repair. Clerk to chase update from Carl Smallwood.

Cliff Path: 'Spongy' planks on Cliff Path bridges; Clerk to ask Andy Carroll for update.

20 mph Speed Limit on Walton Street: Awaiting outcome of Clapton scheme assessment. Clerk to follow up.

Housekeeping: Walton Brook, Sunnybank and Orchard Lea hedges: Owners contacted.

3983 OTHER MATTERS

Village Hall: No more heard re Clerk providing a link to Hall Committee.

Information Sheet: Audrey Hollingsworth handed over to Emma and Kevin Edwards after July. Audrey has run the Information Sheet for us with loyalty and diligence over the years and members want their unanimous thanks for her work to be minuted as a record of sincere gratitude.

Broadband: BT Community Fibre Partnership - Cllr Ralston updated members on the work that has been put in and was able to report that publicity to date has led to about half the needed registrations of interest. Another piece seeking registrants is going into the October Information Sheet.

Portbury Wharf Nature Reserve: Clerk to return the requested pro-forma, confirming an interest in principle in attending a proposed meeting on this subject.

3984 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Wilyman: Walton Brook; In noting that the Internal Drainage Board is due to do their annual maintenance behind the Moor Lane properties, Cllr Wilyman is concerned that the highway section of the Brook is also in dire need of attention again. Clerk to contact Miles Estate.

Cllr Dickinson: Residents at Walton Bay - specifically at Sandbanks - are feeling isolated from the village, given that there is no locally accessible meeting place up there, that Floss has now moved away and that there is currently no Village Agent. They suggested possible informal meeting over coffee or some other mechanism to help their sense of involvement. Cllr Dickinson was happy to take a specific representative interest in Walton Bay matters and will see how best to open up future council contacts; she will, in so doing, be cognisant of the Village Agent role when a new person is appointed.

3985 FINANCE

2016-17: Accounts pre-circulated and noted.

Financial Regulations: revision based on new NALC model were discussed & approved.

Cheques: 724 A Hollingsworth re Info Sheet Apr-Jul £36.00 725 HMRC for PAYE Apr-Sept @ £27.90 per month £167.40. 726 Village Hall hire £6.00.

Bank Mandate: Clerk to raise new one talking off Floss Morgan and adding Rachel Dickinson.

Seb Greene 'slipped in' - as a modest aside almost - that this would be his last meeting as he is moving to a new job in Northamptonshire. His quiet competence has been greatly appreciated during his time with us - he has always "been there" for the Clerk when called on. Having got over the shock of the sudden news, the meeting forbore a eulogy, in favour of a seriously genuine "thank you" and good wishes for him in a fortunate Northamptonshire!

The meeting closed at 8.25pm