
WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council
at
Walton-in-Gordano Village Hall Monday 8th May 2017 at 7.00pm**

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

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

Public Attendance: 0

4059. APOLOGIES: Cllr Nigel Ashton (NSC), Cllr Mike Ralston, PC Jen Clarke

4060 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

The Clerk reported that Cllr Cannell was prepared to seek re-election as Chair and asked if there were any other nominations. As there were none, and no objections to the nomination of **Cllr Cannell, he was deemed unanimously elected as Chair of the Council**, completed the necessary Declaration of Acceptance of Office, and took the Chair. Cllr Cannell noted that Cllr Ralston was prepared to seek re-election as Vice Chair and asked if there were any other nominations for the post. As there were none, and no objections to the nomination of **Cllr Ralston, he was deemed unanimously elected as Vice-Chair of the Council**. There is no requirement for an on-going holder of this post to complete a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

4061 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllrs Dickinson and Wilyman were re-confirmed as the Council representatives on the **Village Hall Committee** as recently appointed. Cllr Ralston was confirmed as the continuing Council representative to the **Gordano Greenway** project.

4062 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

4063 LAST MEETING MINUTES

April 10th minutes were agreed and signed by the Chair & Clerk.

4064 MATTERS ARISING

None

4065 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Police: PC Jen Clarke reported to the Clerk that there has been a recent spate of thefts from cars (some unlocked) in Clevedon; she pleads that we do lock unattended vehicles at all times. Jen also reported that, apart from a couple of minor issues, we have had 2 thefts from motor vehicles in the last year - one on the 22nd March in which nothing was stolen, as the owner removed all valuables, but obviously damage was done to get into the van; the other theft was in July 2016. **Clerk to write to PCC re inadequacy of police-uk website for accessing crime data.**

SpeedWatch: Cllr Dickinson's report was made to the following Annual Parish meeting.

4066 PLANNING

New: 17/P/0951/F Orchard Lea, Walton St. Extension. No problems - Clerk to report to NSC.
Granted: 17/P/0327/F Sunnybank, Walton Street - Realignment of drive.

4067 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Moor Lane: Rectifying the subsidence just before tip field is 'in hand' via Mike Brown.

Fly-tipping: Cllr Ashton discussed with Clerk; all but the small amount of stone, has been removed. New opening schedules and procedures at the re-cycling depots may lead to a, hopefully only temporary, increase in fly-tipping, while the more recalcitrant among us get used to the new procedures.

Cycle Races: The recent St Peter's Hospice event (complained of in 2016) was unexpected. NSC consent is needed (and we are informed) re the two annual Portishead events run from the Lake Grounds - they were the subject of complaints originally. St Peter's have no need to so communicate for using the public highway; they have been informed of our concerns.

Highway Repairs: Valley Rd (Police HQ to B3124) closed from 8pm-6am on May 10th-12th.

4068 OTHER MATTERS

Western Power Lines: Opposite Myrtle Cottage Walton Street awaiting Hi-Line periodic clearing of tree growth around the lines which is understood to be due soon. Clerk

Broadband: CDS workshop Clerk has chased for date but one is still not available.

Traffic: Awaiting NSC update as to inclusion of Walton Street in any 20mph roll-out

Annual Parish Meeting: Village Agent, Sarah Friend, has agreed to attend.

4069 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Wilyman noted that the potholes at the bottom of Harley Hill have been marked for repair. No date is yet available for when the work will be done.

Cllr Dickinson reported that the new 'rt junction' sign on the Coast Road towards Clevedon above Two Acres is overgrown. Clerk undertook to clear when next in Walton Bay.

4070 FINANCE

2017-18: Accounts to date pre-circulated, reviewed and noted.

2016-17 Accounts: Internal audit complete. Annual Return completed and signed by Chair and Clerk. Clerk to send off to external auditors and post

Cheques: 742 Zurich Insurance £224.00. 743 Village Hall hire £18.00 (including following APM)

The meeting closed at 7.40pm