
WALTON-IN-GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the AGM and Ordinary Meeting at Walton-in-Gordano Village Hall Monday 9th May 2016 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs B Cannell (Chair), M Ralston, F Morgan, N Wilyman

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

Public Attendance: 1

3943 APOLOGIES: Cllr Andy Brellisford, Cllr N Ashton (NSC), PC Jen Clarke

3944 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FORMALITIES

Election Of Chairman And Vice Chairman: Cllr Cannell confirmed his willingness to continue as Chairman and this was agreed to unanimously without a vote. Cllr Cannell duly signed the Chair's Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Cllr Cannell took the Chair. Cllr Ralston confirmed himself willing to continue in the role of Vice Chair and, this was unanimously confirmed without a vote.

Resignation of Cllr Morgan: Cllr Morgan's home has sold and she moves in two weeks. She hopes to be able to fulfil her commitment to the Waste Strategy event on May 25th, but will have left for Hampshire before the next meeting. She apologised for such short notice, but that is the nature of the Park Home property market. Cllr Cannell thanked her for the huge energy she has applied to her role as a Member, and in particular, the way she has represented the interests and concerns of the residents of Walton Bay. She will be missed.

Appointment Of Representatives To Outside Bodies: Cllr Ralston and Cllr Brellisford (in absentia) agreed to continue as representatives to the Gordano Greenway Steering Group. Representatives (2) to the Village Hall Committee of Management and to the NSC Standards Sub-Committee were not filled. It was agreed those representations would remain open pending the possible co-option of a new Member to replace Cllr Morgan.

3945 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

3946 LAST MEETING MINUTES (11th April) agreed and signed by Chairman & Clerk.

3947 MATTERS ARISING: None.

3948 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Police: A theft (described in the classification 'other theft') in the area of the golf course in February (police.uk are always 2 months behind and provide no further detail).

Cycling on Footpaths / Mountain Bikers: Cllr Brellisford reports that the notices for footpaths across private property will not contain the NSC logo or carry information about fines. Enforcement will remain the issue, with no real solution to hand. Chris Joannou will write to known cycling groups seeking their cooperation in not using footpath-only routes, and in adequate marshalling of road events.

Walton Bay 'to Clevedon' Bus Stop: Cllr Morgan reports that the bedding in of services 88a & 88c is working, with bus arrival times and a map posted on the bus stops - but no indication of times beyond the stop - the traveller's arrival time at their destination. Timetables are presently only available on the bus, which is not satisfactory. **Clerk will share this concern with Paul Conolly.**

Clevedon Sprint Triathlon: has been notified via NSC. It will be on Sunday July 3rd and run along the B3124 - not up the Coast Road. **Clerk to publicise via Information Sheet.**

3949 PLANNING

Granted: 16/P/0820/TPO & 16/P/0822/WT - Manor House Tree work.

New: 16/P/1032/WT Church Farm gate. High Line for Western Power, removal of tree with roots damaged by cable work across Walton Brook. No objections. **Clerk to so report to NSC.**

3950 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Sewage leak at Barton's: Ongoing plans for repair. **Clerk to keep monitoring.**

Potholes - Harley Hill, marked for repair, B3124 gully near sub-station; repair done. Coast Road pothole above Highly Sprung???

Signage - 40mph sign coast-side at Walton Down re-fitted; redundant 30mph repeater post at Plumtree Cottage needs removing. Work due.

Parish Recycling Scheme: NSC will hold an open session and exhibition in the Village Hall from 2-6pm on May 25th. This will be publicised by a flyer to all homes. People will be encouraged to attend with re-cycling questions... what do I do with bonded paper/plastic? etc. The 3 categories of award for local efforts are bronze, silver and gold (which receives the maximum award of £350).

3951 OTHER MATTERS

Walton Common: Avon wildlife held a public meeting in the Hall on April 20th. Cllr Wilyman reported that there were 20-30 attendees, and that the event was very much an explanation of what was to be done on the private land over which they had a lease. There were two representatives from Avon Wildlife Trust and one from Natural England. 6 Dexters are due to go onto the Common imminently, with up to 25 planned. They will have the freedom of the common and a 'traffic signal' notice will be placed at the footpath entrances to indicate if cattle are on the Common or not. The site is one of only two known locations in Britain for the nationally rare moss Cheilothela chloropus. A variety of nationally scarce unimproved calcareous grassland communities are also found on the Common. Given the usual footpath regulation that dogs must be kept under close control, there are anticipated to be no movement restrictions for the public, notwithstanding that their only 'established' right is to traverse the footpath.

3952 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Ralston: Road Accident on Walton Street: a potentially fatal crash occurred outside Old Rectory Farm, and under the windows of the Manor House. There was traffic chaos and, miraculously, no death. Given that the Parish believes a 20mph limit to be a positive contribution to safety along this stretch of road, could not NSC contribute to the cost of this? **Clerk to establish background to accident via Jen Clarke and seek Cllr Ashton's views on the possibility of financial support.**

3953 FINANCE

2015-16 Final Accounts and Audit: Internal audit complete and ok. For sign off via this minute. **Clerk to dispatch to the External Auditor. Public notices to go to boards and website.**

2016-17 Accounts to date: reviewed and noted.

Cheques: 722 Village Hall hire (prepared and signed after the Annual Parish meeting, which finished at 9.45pm) £18.00

The meeting closed at 7.40pm