

**Minutes of the Meeting of Walton Parish Council held on Monday 6 September 2021 at 7.30pm
Village Hall, Walton**

Present- Councillors David Aspland (Chair), Richard Prudhoe, Stephen Sharp, Mark Wake.

Also in Attendance Helena Buck (Clerk)
Ward Cllr Norma Harrington
6 Walton residents

Public Session

- a. Discussion of a proposed planning application.
- b. Sewage concerns at Hall Park Road. Cllr Aspland to prepare a summary note covering current sewage/flooding issues in the Hall Park Road area.

1. **Apologies for absence noted and approved.** Cllrs Clark, Simpson & Taylor.
2. **Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interests.** Cllr Prudhoe - Item 11.
3. **To accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 July 2021 as a true and correct record.**
It was resolved that the minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 12 July 2021 be accepted and approved as a true record, proposed Cllr Aspland, seconded Cllr Prudhoe, agreed by all.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes.** None.
5. **Police Matters: to consider the most recent Crime Information.**
Crime information taken from the interactive police mapping website (most recent data July 2021) had been circulated. 5 crimes reported in the Walton area: 1 Anti-social behaviour, 1 Bicycle theft, 1 Vehicle crime, 2 'Violence & sexual offences'. 16 Crimes reported at Wealstun Prison.
Note - 'Violence & sexual offences' includes a range of offences from minor disputes to more serious violent crimes.
6. **To consider correspondence received.** A correspondence list had been circulated and noted.
7. **Financial Matters.**
The following accounts were approved:
 - a. Income and expenditure statement to 31 August 2021.
 - b. Bank reconciliation statement as at 31 August 2021.
 - c. Income and expenditure forecast as at 31 August 2021.
 - d. HSBC had informed the PC that from 1 November all accounts would be changed to HSBC's Small Business Banking Account with maintenance & transaction charges.
Action: Cllr Taylor to review banking options and report back at the next meeting.
 - e. Payments approved since last PC meeting:
 - i. PC Crew GoCardless: Maintenance Contract Payment for QuickBooks Inv. 23753 dated 4 Aug 2021. £8.33 + £1.67 VAT. Tot £10.
 - ii. H. Buck Inst Inks reimbursement – Hewlett Packard Instant Inks DD by credit card for Office Jet 4650 Printer: July-Aug 21: £9.99 per month. £8.32 + £1.67 VAT x 2. Tot £19.98.
 - iii. PWLB Loan repayment due 15 Sept 2021: £771.57.
 - iv. YLCA Inv. 522-2122 Public Rights of Way Webinar 28 July 2021. £22.50.
 - f. Approved: Clerk salary and expenses July-Aug 2021 2021 (circulated).
 - g. Approved: HMRC payment: Tax on Clerk's salary July-Aug 2021 (circulated).
 - h. Approved: transfer of £500 earmarked Cricket Club donation to the Village Hall, proposed Cllr Sharp, seconded Cllr Aspland, agreed by all.

8. Playground Usage.

Background. Playground land is leased off Cllr Simpson at advantageous rates. This lease is with the Parish Council and clearly states that there should be no subletting. It is suggested that use of the playground by tenants of the hall constitutes a sub-let. With some current users this is a regularised arrangement. Cllr Simpson reserves the right to withdraw the lease under conditions of sub-letting. He believes that the playground was built with public money, to provide a facility for local people primarily with occasional, but not regularised use for functions. This however should not exclude easy access for local members of the public.

Action: Cllr Aspland to contact Cllr Simpson to discuss the above issues.

9. Field boundary update.

It was resolved at the 12 July PC meeting that the correct boundary relating to the playground lease was defined by the playground fence-line and not the adjacent field boundary.

Action: Cllr Aspland to instruct the council's solicitor to correct the boundary as necessary.

10. Village Hall Development.

Village Hall AGM held on 26 July 2021.

Extension Planning Permission had been approved subject to minor conditions. A detailed specification was being prepared prior to issuing tender documents. General maintenance was continuing.

Charitable Status. Application for CIO registration was submitted on 6 July and would take c.2 months to be considered by the Charity Commission. Residents were given a detailed CIO update at the AGM including background, advantages and implications of obtaining charitable status.

Bookings. Hallmaster bookings were coming in from a variety of sources. Future Events - Bonfire Night: Saturday 6 November. Christmas Lights Switch-on: Saturday 27 November.

Another call for volunteers had been made.

11. Proposed Thorp Arch Retail Park Garden Centre Development Scheme.

An informal meeting with Thorp Arch Garden Centre developers took place on 25 August 2021.

The following 'next steps' were approved, proposed Cllr Prudhoe, seconded Cllr Wake.

- a. PC to initiate an independent traffic survey which would encompass the 'layered' traffic increase arising from the various developments which would impact severely on Walton. To submit separately and early to LCC.
- b. PC to initiate a discussion with Thorp Arch PC in respect of CIL.
- c. PC to initiate action from Tim Munns in respect of HGV vehicles currently creating a risk to Walton residents.
- d. PC to seek an early communication with the village – in respect of this future proposed development.
- e. PC to seek further opportunities to continue the engagement with developers of this proposal.

Action: Cllr Taylor to contact LCC for a CIL update.

12. Planning matters.

- a. Application Number: 21/05174/FU/NE For: Development of industrial units and associated access, service areas, car parking and landscaping Site At: Land off Avenue C Thorp Arch Estate Wetherby. No objections.
- b. Application Number: 21/05891/FU/NE For: Variation of condition 5No. (Car Boot Permission Period) to previously approved planning application 20/00411/FU for extension of temporary period. Site At: The Greenery Garden Centre Unit 9 5 A Thorp Arch Retail Park. No objections.
- c. Application Number: 21/06328/FU/NE For: Concreting of existing farm yard area. Site At: J E Simpson & Sons, Springs Lane Farm, Springs Lane. Grid Ref: 443767448860. No objections.
- d. Update: Application No 20/08547/FU/NE. For: Change of use of land for the siting of 8No. Glamping geodomes. Status: Current at 1 Sept 2021. LCC informed the council on 13 July 2021 that it is not expected that the application will be taken to Panel for at least several months.

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13. Minor items. A resident had enquired about a past medical facility on Woodland Drive which councillors identified as Marguerite Hepton Hospital.

14. Date of next meeting: Monday 1 November 2021, 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Signed.....Chairman

Date.....

Contact the Clerk at secretary@walton-pc.gov.uk