

Walton Parish Council

Report on Matters Arising 3rd January 2019

Highway Related Issues

See 'Issues Raised with WBC Report – Updated 21/12/18.

Banners

10/06/18 email to Enforcement advising that banners will be removed until planning application submitted and outcome known.

Clerk in process of submitting planning application.

14/07/18 Further information requested.

24/08/18 reminder about request for further information.

Councillor Hardie looking into the requested further information.

Clerk and Councillor Hardie still to get together.

Walton Towpath

22/06/18 Email sent to Peter Parkinson at Peel which was copied in to all councillors.

18/08/18 No response so far from PP.

14/09/18 Follow up email sent to PP.

10/11/18 Clerk forwarded the chain of emails to PP on to Councillor Harris.

10/11/18 Councillor Contact asked to contact Highways about removal of leaves from gutter and pavement on Walton Lea Road.

12/11/18 Letter to PP stating that not to have received a reply is discourteous.

22/11/18 Councillor Harris's email to PP (forwarded to Cllrs 22/11/18).

LETTER IN REPLY TO CLERKS LETTER FORWARDED TO CLLRS ON 21/12/18 UNABLE TO COPY ON TO MATTERS ARISING AS IN PDF

CHAIN OF EMAILS BETWEEN CLLR HARRIS AND PETER PARKINSON.

Dear Peter

I am grateful for your response and fully appreciate the problems associated with maintaining the towpath.

I am very pleased to see that you intend to have future discussions with Warrington Borough Council in respect of upgrading the towpath and I know that my fellow Borough Councillors and myself would be pleased to assist and support as appropriate. Do you have a timeframe in which these discussions might take place? I am sure that all wards/residents in the Borough would be keen to progress this as soon as possible.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Sharon Harris

Borough Councillor for Appleton, Hatton, Stretton and Higher Walton

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Peter Parkinson <PParkinson@peellandp.co.uk>

Date: 13 December 2018 at 09:55:00 GMT

To: "'Harris, Councillor Sharon'" <CllrSharon.Harris@warrington.gov.uk>

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Subject: RE: Bridgewater Canal Towpath

Dear Cllr Harris

Thank you for your email and apologies for the late response.

Although the entire length of the towpath is subject to regular inspections and maintenance we always investigate concerns such as this. The Canal engineer is due to provide a report with some options in relation to the towpath/drainage to make the area more accessible.

As I'm sure you can appreciate we are presented with quite a few seasonal challenges with the towpath in that area. As you may also be aware that section of the path is prone to flooding due to water running down the embankment off the road at Walton Lea.

We have previously been in discussions with Warrington Council regarding this issue and we hope to work with them in the future on our shared aspiration of upgrading the towpaths in Warrington to Bridgewater Way standard. Once these plans have developed further I or one of my colleagues would be more than happy to attend a meeting to discuss with the Parish Council.

Regards

Peter

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-----Original Message-----

From: Harris, Councillor Sharon <CllrSharon.Harris@warrington.gov.uk>

Sent: 22 November 2018 09:19

To: Peter Parkinson <PParkinson@peellandp.co.uk>

Cc: waltonpcclerk@yahoo.co.uk; b.price707@btinternet.com; wheelerjudith@btinternet.com;

Walker, Councillor Peter (CIX) <walker75grapp@cix.co.uk>; baxcell@gmail.com; Welborn,

Councillor Graham <CllrGraham.Welborn@warrington.gov.uk>

Subject: Bridgewater Canal Towpath

Dear Mr Parkinson

I have been asked by Walton Parish Council to contact you with a view to progressing these longstanding issues regarding the Bridgewater Canal Towpath. These issues are maintenance and

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refurbishment on the Walton section.

The first is in respect of the section of towpath alongside Walton Hall Estate. I am a regular user of this section and can testify to the fact that it is a particularly dangerous section for all users. This is one of the more well used sections as many visitors to Walton Hall also use it. I appreciate that this time of year, with leaves falling from the trees, it does make it difficult to keep this section clear of leaves. Some good work was carried out by WBC and yourselves not so very long ago and this made a significant improvement to the path at that time. However, without regular maintenance and upkeep the path is now returning to its previous unsafe state. Can I please request that this section is cleared, as a matter of urgency, and that it is put on a regular schedule for doing so. Would you also please share this schedule with Walton Parish Council?

The second issue is the general refurbishment of the canal towpath on this section. As has already been mentioned, this is a very busy section and it is common to see large family groups with small children enjoying the towpath. The towpath is quite narrow in places and some of the edging stones appear to be subsiding. Add to this the problem of the leaves and there is a potential for a serious accident.

I have copied in my fellow Borough Councillors for Appleton, Hatton, Stretton and Higher Walton as well as those for Stockton Heath and Lower Walton as this issue affects all our residents. We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss this further and I also wonder whether or not you might like to attend a Walton Parish Council meeting to up date them on your plans for this part of the towpath.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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QEII Jubilee Playground Review of Plans

The Clerk has reviewed the plans, but he is unclear as to whether the border marked on the plans includes the hedge of the property on Worsley Road. Will bring plans along to the meeting.

14/11/18 Emailed Enforcement.

15/11/18 Received following response.

Dear

Description: Removal of side hedge Location: 135, WALTON ROAD, WARRINGTON, WA4 6NT

Reference: ENF/18/07157

Thank you for your recent enquiry regarding the above.

The matter has been registered under our reference ENF/18/07157 and is being dealt with by Holly Levy (Planning Enforcement Officer). They will investigate the matter further and update you again in due course.

In the meantime, should you have any further enquiries Holly Levy can be contacted by telephone on 2075 or via e-mail at x-hlevy@warrington.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully

Jason Lewis Planning Enforcement & Environmental Crime Enforcement Manager

Erosion of land to the side of Park Lane.

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14/11/18 Emailed Simon Duggan at Highways and Environment who forwarded email to Jonathon Parry who will advise on situation.

30/11/18 Nothing from JP as yet.

30/11/18 Asked SD for JP's contact details.

05/12/18 SD asked me to report via Councillor Contact.

07/12/18 Ref CRM863657 given.

Crime figures for Walton

Emailed on to councillors on 18/12/18.

Mr Priestner's Christmas Tree Proposal

Email sent to Mr P 21/12/18.

Precept 2019/20

Spreadsheet sent out by Clerk 07/12/18.

Creamfields Security and Crime

Emailed John Probyn 21/12/18 requesting this year's figures along with the previous 5 years.

Following response received from JP 21/12/18.

Ray

I haven't got access to all the figures I'm afraid, I will speak to the Police and see if they are happy to supply all you have requested.

Merry Christmas!

JP

Village Triangle Christmas Tree Lights

07/12/18 emailed Mr Eldridge about the suitability and safety of electricity being supplied by generous resident in view of PC's decision at the November meeting.

Superfast Broadband

24/12/18 Emailed Clerks of Stockton Heath, Appleton, Lymm, Stretton, Hatton, Grapp & Thelwall, Moore and Daresbury about attendance of possible meeting on the 16th January.

Civic Service 2019

Awaiting confirmation of date from Anita prior to contacting Mayor and MP.

Ray Hallam – Clerk to the Council