

Walton Parish Council

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Members of the public are cordially invited to attend and councillors are summoned to the **Parish Council Meeting** of Walton Parish Council to be held at St. John's Community Church Hall, Old Chester Road, Higher Walton on Thursday 3 October 2024 at 7:00pm.

Lara Jacob, Locum Clerk Friday 27 September 2024

<u>Agenda</u>

1. Apologies for absence

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare disposable pecuniary or nonpecuniary interests which they have on an y item on the agenda no later when the item is reached. Declarations are a personal matter for each member to decide and the decision to declare, or not, is the responsibility of the councillor.

3. Matters to be considered with the exclusion of the press and public

[using Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s. 2] To consider if any items on the agenda should be considered in closed session because of the nature of the information to be disclosed, whether pertaining to an individual, a contract or legal advice.

4. Public Participation

In accordance with Standing Orders, members of the public and any visitors in attendance may address the meeting.

- 4.1 PCSO Report
- 4.2 Members of the Public
- 4.3 Borough Councillors

5. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes are circulated with the agenda and will be taken as read. The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 5 September 2024 to be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair (enclosed)

6. Finances

7.1 To approve the following payments:

Cheque No	Payee	Purpose	Amount
001573	Gardenia Gardens Ltd	Invoice 8349 August	621.00
001574	L Jacob	Invoice 09/2024	570.00
001575	D Hazeldine	Reimburse expenses	18.80
001576	ChALC	Induction course	25.00
001577	Anita Williams	Reimburse expenses	199.18
001578	Walkers Nurseries	Conifer Plants	75.00

7.2 To note the budget monitoring information to end August 2024 provided (to follow when bank statement is received)

7. Recruitment for Clerk Position

To receive an update from the Employment Committee.

8. Reports from Advisory Groups

8.1 Planning

The group had been sent the following planning applications:

2024/01064/LBC 1 Walton Lea Road, Walton, Warrington, WA4 6SW Removal of internal wall and replacement of rear window with double doors

Comment – there is no objection to the replacement of the window with double doors. The parish council ask if the nibs from the internal wall removal can be retained as an indicator that a wall was in place.

2024/00917/FULH 105a &, 105 Walton Road, Warrington, WA4 6NR Boundary Wall No comment – the railings have already been installed.

2024/01100/FUL Tennis 72m From Warrington Sports Club, Walton Lea Road; 28m From Walton Lea Road, Warrington, WA4 6SJ 5 padel tennis courts and canopies, associated customer kiosk, outdoor social area, groundsman store, and car and cycle parking To discuss

2024/01199/TPO White Oaks Hobb Lane, Walton, Warrington, WA4 5LS Remedial pruning to x1 no. Tree To discuss

8.2 Village Betterment Advisory Group

8.2.1 To consider any recommendations of the Group (notes to follow).8.2.2 To consider the information and costings provided by Gardenia (enclosed)

8.3 Donations Advisory Group

To consider any recommendations of the Group

8.4 Events Advisory Group

Recommendations for consideration:

- a) To spend up to £50 to purchase a Remembrance Poppy Wreath using the Local Government Act 1972, s. 137
- b) To spend up to £45 on providing refreshments following the Remembrance event.
- c) To spend £120 on a face painter and to donate £100 to the Lions for services to the Christmas event.
- d) To discuss the electrical supply for the tree lights. The options are to spend £600 on reinstating the supply with further costs associated with registering for an unmetered supply and organising an annual safety certificate, or to investigate the costs of purchasing solar lights.

9. Working Groups

9.1 To consider the recommendations of the Working Group following the review of the new Standing Orders and Financial Regulations issued by NALC, deferred from last meeting (notes enclosed)

9.2 To consider the findings and recommendations of the Working Group set up to research banking arrangements, deferred from last meeting (notes enclosed)

10. Reports from Portfolio Holders and Outside Body Representatives

10.1 Footpaths/Towpaths

10.1.1 To receive an update on matters that have been reported to Warrington Borough Council by councillors.

10.1.2 To discuss the possibility of a central system for reporting issues to Warrington Borough Council.

10.2 Highways, Vegetation & Street Lighting

To receive an update on matters that have been reported to Warrington Borough Council by councillors

10.3 Walton Hall Estate

To receive any information.

11. Newsletter

To receive an update on progress towards the production of an Autumn/Winter newsletter.

12. Forward Plan 2024-2025

To receive a verbal update on a draft Forward Plan for 2024-2025.

13. Creamfields

To discuss any issues arising from the event, including any correspondence received.

14. Walton Parish Playground Trust

To receive and consider an update from the Trust.

15. Report on Actions taken and correspondence received since the previous meeting

To receive and consider the action and correspondence report. (enclosed)

16. Set date and time of next meeting

To set the date and time of the next Parish Council Meeting as Thursday 7 November 2024 at St. John's Community Church Hall, Old Chester Road, Walton commencing at 7.00pm.