

AGENDA

Item

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting on 7 June 2022, matters arising and future meeting times
3. Declarations of interest
4. Public forum
(The public can speak on an item on the agenda and address the Parish Council)
5. Police SAFE scheme
(an update is provided on local crime issues)
6. Wakefield MDC ward councillor update
7. May 2022 bank reconciliation
8. Working party update
(including an update on proposals for the tennis club site)
9. Planning Committee
10. Correspondence to the Parish Council

The public and press are excluded from the following item under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act (1972) as item 11 relates to the disclosure of information relating to the business affairs of the council.

11. Jubilee Field investigation works

I hereby give notice that a meeting of Walton Parish Council will take place on 12 July 2022.



Neil Shaw
Clerk to the Parish Council

This Parish Council meeting will be held at:

Committee Room, Village Hall, School Lane, Walton, WF2 6PA at **7.15 PM**

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Present

Cllr J Carlon (Chair)
Cllr C Pearson (Vice Chair)
Cllr S Baker
Cllr S Birkby
Cllr T Earnshaw
Cllr S Leith
Cllr G Newby
Cllr K Nixon
Cllr W Parker
Cllr C Pearson
Cllr T Saunders
Mr N Shaw (Clerk)
Cllr M Cummings, Wakefield MDC
Cllr U Ali, Wakefield MDC
1 member of the public

186. Apologies for absence

None

187. Minutes and matters arising

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10 May 2022 as a true and correct record, with the following amendment: Item 174 (the election of the Vice Chair), this was seconded by Cllr Saunders.

The following matters arising were noted:

- Item 182 (Working parties) - Wakefield MDC have been informed they are undertaking the tree pruning works in Walton Park but we await a date for the works
- Item 182 (Working parties) - : Altofts Tree Services have been informed they are undertaking the tree felling and removal of fence on the tennis club site in Walton Park, likely to be September

188. Declarations of interest

None.

189. Public forum

There were no members of the public present at the time of this item and therefore no issues were raised.

190. SAFE scheme

PC Steel was not in attendance at the meeting. A SAFE report has been received and circulated at the meeting. One burglary has been reported in the village in May and one suspect was arrested following a report by the member of the public.

The date for the Autumn Police PACT meeting will be publicised following the parish council meeting.

191. Ward 5 councillor report

Cllr Cummings provided the following update:

- School Lane resurfacing work – resurfacing work will be scheduled for August 2022 following the recent smaller scale patching work
- Brook Farm – the landowner will be consulted on the use of the land. The outbuildings on site will be demolished imminently and trees/hedges trimmed to help combat anti-social behaviour
- VMS sign – the funding has been approved for the new road sign and WMDC await an installation date
- Jubilee event – congratulations to the organisations involved in organising the recent jubilee event in Walton
- Neighbourhood improvement grant – approved for Walton Juniors FC
- Fun Day – this has been scheduled for 25 August at Walton Sports & Social Club

192. April 2022 bank reconciliation

The reconciliation was noted. Accounts paid totalled £7,265.29 for April 2022 and income received totalled £40,417.63. The account balances at the end of April 2022 are:

Current a/c:	£2,754.15
Barclays Business Res a/c:	£77,837.55
HSBC & Nationwide deposit a/cs:	<u>£51,140.29</u>
Total	£131,731.99

RESOLVED: The Parish Council move £50,000 from the Barclays Premium account to the Nationwide savings account.

193. Parish Council Final Accounts 2021/22

The annual accounts were discussed, including a discussion on some of the budget variances which had arisen during the year and the current size of reserves.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council approve the 2021/22 Final Accounts.

194. 2021/22 Annual Governance & Accountability Return

The Return was discussed and two small amendments were made to Section 1 of the form to accurately reflect the council's position. The form will now be sent to the external auditors.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council approve the 2021/22 Annual Governance & Accountability Return.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council seek alternative quote(s) for future internal audit services.

195. Working Parties update

- **Environment** – following a discussion undertaken by the working party, it was proposed that Working for Walton be written to asking if they would co-ordinate volunteer activity to plant and tend the areas listed below, with the financial costs (subject to prior authorisation) being met by the Parish Council. The areas being:
 - (i) The triangle of land at the junction of Oakenshaw Lane and the footpath to Sandal & Agbrigg
 - (ii) The plot surrounding the Walton stone sign on Oakenshaw Lane
 - (iii) The verge in front of the Walton stone sign on Common Lane
 - (iv) On provision of a suitable planting container by the Parish Council, the area in front of the Walton stone sign on Shay Lane.The bench on Shay Lane, near nine arches viaduct, to be replaced with a plastic bench seat

- **Parks** – the annual risk assessment has been completed. The following actions have been agreed:
 - (i) remove the broken tree branches in the pavilion area
 - (ii) clear low level branches on the path from the playing field to the pavilion
 - (iii) trim the broken branches on the tree near the football pitch and the red tree on the rear perimeter
 - (iv) weed around the benches and tables and the bins as required
 - (v) trim hedge on School Lane below the entrance to neaten it up (when nesting season ends)
 - (vi) remove overhanging foliage on the fret work at the entrance
 - (vii) replace the bin for the Stables entrance to the park
 - (viii) renovate the railings at the entrance to the park
 - (ix) request the removal of the dying tree at the path entrance from the field to the pavilion
 - (x) remove the ivy from the Copper Beech in the park

- **Floral displays** – 27 sponsors have paid their 2022 sponsorship to date. The baskets have been erected. The deadline for approval of the lighting column Christmas tree bracket is the end of July. A letter will be sent to the contractor to seek assurance the bracket is being sent for testing to meet the approval deadline.

- **Communications** – the draft Summer newsletter was discussed and approved.

196. Planning Committee

Only one current planning application was received by Wakefield MDC in the last month, and there was no discussion on this application.

Walton SAFE Scheme Police Report – June 2022

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
PC	15	10	14									
PCSO	3	4	4									

Crime 2021 - 22	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Burglary Residential	2	1	0									
Burglary Business/community	0	0	0									
Theft from Vehicle	1	0	0									
Theft of Vehicle	0	0	0									
Damage	0	0	0									
Other	0	0	0									

Crime

There have been no priority crimes this month

Patrols:

PC Steel reports,

Patrols made on 26/06/2022 between 00:00 X 02:00. At the start of the shift several cars were moved on from the nature reserve as it was felt they would be causing a nuisance if they were left there. We then conducted high vis patrols around the area. During these patrols several cars were stopped with no issues. We were then flagged down by a member of public stating a suspicious van had been spotted nearby. We located the van and it was just a male waiting for his girlfriend. No calls for service throughout the shift.

PS Miller Reports,

Patrols made on 25/06/2022 I/C Pc 6487 Steel between the hours of 00:00 x 02:00 hrs. Patrols were conducted in a marked police vehicle around the village including the housing estates and the nature reserve. No vehicles present in the nature reserve and no other vehicles came to our attention throughout our patrols. There was also no calls for service. The village pub appeared quite busy, but no issues were identified and the majority of vehicles sighted were taxis.

PCSO 214 Sammut reports ,

Safe scheme patrols conducted on 21/6 between hours of 22:15 - 00:15. High vis patrols of all residential streets and paid passing attention to rural car parks including Waterton Park Hotel and Golf Course. When passing Charles Waterton House, Walton the main doors to the building were fully open with nobody inside, before leaving I ensured the doors were locked.

Spoke to the staff today to update regarding building being left unsecure. General high vis patrols of the area, no issues and no concerns raised. At the time of my patrols there were no calls for service.

PC 841-On Thursday 16th June 2022 Myself and PC 599 Thimm conducted an operation targeting excess speed and anti-social use of motor vehicles in the Ryhill, Walton and Sitlington areas of Wakefield. In Ryhill 2 drivers were issued traffic offence reports (TOR) for excess speed in 30mph zones and a third vehicle was seized as it had no tax.

PCSO 366 ADAMS REPORTS,

High Vis patrols conducted in Walton between 20:45 - 22:45hrs on 11/06/2022. At the time of my patrols there were no calls for service. All residential areas patrolled with nothing to report. Walton golf club- no persons or vehicles present. Walton colliery car Park- 1 x vehicle present with 1 male & 1 female present however nothing suspicious to report as checks were conducted and nothing further to report. All hotspots patrolled as well again with nothing to report other than the below.

Police Contact Details

For ALL Emergency calls, ALWAYS call '999'

If the matter is not of such an urgent nature please ring 101

If you wish to contact the Wakefield Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team

Please email: wakefield.rural@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

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MAY 2022 BANK RECONCILIATION

ITEM 7

	Barclays Current a/c	Barclays Premium a/c	HSBC Savings	Nationwide savings	TOTAL
May-22					
Balances from Bank Statements end April	2,754.15	77,837.55	987.82	50,152.47	131,731.99
Less unpresented cheques (end April)					
Add receipts in April paid in May					
Balances as per the Accounts end April	2,754.15	77,837.55	987.82	50,152.47	131,731.99
Add Receipts for month	4,905.87		0.04	26.86	4,932.77
Less Payments for month	77.00				77.00
Transfers					
Balances as per the Accounts end May	7,583.02	77,837.55	987.86	50,179.33	136,587.76

PAYMENTS *

May-22									
Date	Payee	Details	Employee costs	HMRC	Village hall	Other assets	SAFE scheme	Other working parties	TOTAL
11.05.22	EDF	Utilities - electricity			£77.00				£77.00
	TOTAL FOR MAY								£77.00

* Only 1 payment was made in May 2022 due to a payment authorisation error. The outstanding May invoices were paid in June 2022.

RECEIPTS

May-22											
Date	Received from	Details	Receipt No.	Precept	VAT refund	Interest	Hirings	Grants	Floral displays	Other	TOTAL
03.05.22	Cars 2	Florals	18						110.00		110.00
03.05.22	Studio A	Hall hire - March 2022	19				781.25				781.25
03.05.22	Studio A	Florals	20						110.00		110.00
03.05.22	Waterton Park Golf Club	Florals	21						110.00		110.00
04.05.22	Lucy Tapp	Hall hire - party 11/6/22	22				60.00				60.00
04.05.22	Ben Hood	Hall hire - party 10/9/22 bond	23				200.00				200.00
04.05.22	Walton Woodworking	Florals	24						110.00		110.00
05.05.22	P&H Massey	Florals	25						110.00		110.00
05.05.22	Laura Parkinson	Hall hire - party 11/9/22	26				50.00				50.00
10.05.22	Kim Fuller	Hall hire - May 2022	27				82.50				82.50
10.05.22	Waterton Park Golf Club	Florals	28						110.00		110.00
11.05.22	Higgins & Reid	Hall hire (party - 21/8/22)	30				80.00				80.00
11.05.22	Catherine Nixon	Florals	31						110.00		110.00
11.05.22	Sheila Leith	Florals	32						110.00		110.00
12.05.22	Diane Clarkson	Florals	33						110.00		110.00
13.05.22	S Holmes	Keep fit hall hire - April 22	34				48.00				48.00
16.05.22	J Lea	Rugrats rugby hall hire - April 22	35				56.25				56.25
16.05.22	Studio A	Hall hire - April 2022	36				537.50				537.50
17.05.22	Wakefield Council	Hall hire - Wakefield MDC elections	37				500.00				500.00
17.05.22	L Garvey	Hall hire - party 28/5/22 (balance)	38				30.00				30.00
17.05.22	Lacemakers	Hall hire - April 2022	39				77.00				77.00

17.05.22	Rainbows	Hall hire - Mar 2022	40				48.75				48.75
17.05.22	Rainbows	Hall hire - April 2022	41				39.00				39.00
20.05.22	Studio A	Hall hire - Feb 2022	42				615.62				615.62
23.05.22	RJ Wagstaff	Florals	43						110.00		110.00
26.05.22	Karen Pemberton	Hall hire - party 4/9/22 deposit	44				50.00				50.00
30.05.22	RG Mackley	Florals	45						110.00		110.00
31.05.22	W Parker	Florals	46						110.00		110.00
31.05.22	Mr & Mrs Wilson	Florals	47						110.00		110.00
31.05.22	M Wylie	Florals	48						220.00		220.00
	All bank accounts	Interest	N/A			26.90					26.90
	TOTAL FOR MAY						3,255.87		1,650.00	0.00	4,932.77

Tennis Court Working Party Report and Motions to Council

The Working Party met on Tuesday 14 June 2022. We recognised that the change in circumstances around the Brook Farm development meant that it was worth reviewing the Council's previous resolution to create "a grassed area, petanque court and fitness equipment and play equipment for teenage children". We reviewed the original suggestions that came forward from the community and short listed them as follows. Not all of these are mutually exclusive of course:

Courts area

- Artificial grass multi use sports area
- Boules/petanque
- Community orchard
- Formal/sensory garden
- Hard surfaced multi use games area to include a tennis court and 5 aside/walking football
- Netball and/or basketball
- Open air performance area (some form of hardstanding/stage/seating areas)
- Outdoor gym
- Table Tennis
- Teenage adventure play/exercise area

Pavilion

- Kitchen to support Performance area on courts
- Public toilets and community secure storage area
- Changing room to support sports use of courts

Motion 1

The Parish Council endorses the recommendation of the Tennis Court working party that the following suggestions for use of the tennis court area and pavilion are NOT pursued any further:

- Cafe (however, we should check with Whisk to confirm our assumption that they would not want to operate)
- Childcare facility (inadequate space, safeguarding issues, who would operate)
- Community Centre/Meeting Room (committee room already under-utilised)
- Crown green bowling (too expensive, too inflexible, other facilities nearby)
- Dance studio (inadequate space, village hall available)
- Dog run (inadequate space)
- Local artisan market (already exists at New Inn)
- Parking (difficult access and not a "green space" use)
- Rainbows/Brownies/Guides (inadequate space)
- Resurfaced tennis courts and practice wall (insufficient demand for previous tennis court, plus practice wall not effective)
- Skateboard park (not appropriate for this location but not ruled out elsewhere on the Council's estate – Jubilee field?)

Motion 2

That the Tennis Courts working party be tasked with creating a poll, based on the short-listed suggestions, seeking the community's preferences for how the tennis court area and pavilion should be developed. This poll to be conducted via the quarterly newsletter.

WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATIONS VALIDATED AND DECIDED

	DATE VALIDATED/ DECIDED	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION	STATUS
APPLICATIONS VALIDATED				
22/01285/FUL	17/06/2022	2 Walton Chase, School Lane, Walton	Detached single storey building to form garden room/orangery	Awaiting decision
22/01346/TPO	22/06/2022	1 Thornhill Drive, Walton	Fell T1 - Horse Chestnut	Awaiting decision
APPLICATIONS DECIDED				
22/00342/OUT	02/06/2022	25 School Lane (Land Adjacent To) Walton, WF2 6PA	Outline application for the erection of one detached dwelling	Approved
22/00599/FUL	27/05/2022	20 Thornhill Drive Walton, WF2 6NS	Proposed single storey rear and side extension to the front elevation.	Approved
22/00821/FUL	20/06/2022	2 Overtown Court, The Balk, Walton, WF2 6JX	INSTALLATION OF 28 SOLAR PV PANELS ON THE ROOF	Approved
LICENSING APPLICATIONS				

CORRESPONDENCE TO THE PARISH COUNCIL
JUNE 2022

In the last month the Parish Council received the following correspondence:

Walton Parish Council <waltonparishcouncil@gmail.com>
to paulbrough(email address redacted)

Paul

Thanks for your recent email.

Are you referring to trees on or adjoining Walton Park? Some of the trees are protected by Tree Preservation Orders and a number - particularly adjacent to the old tennis courts - are not.

The trees adjacent to The Stables are protected by TPOs but have been approved for some pruning works. We have also approved removal of the leylandii trees adjacent to the tennis court site as future redevelopment of the site is planned.

The non-TPO trees are the responsibility of Walton Parish Council. The TPO trees require the approval of Wakefield MDC for any pruning etc. Can you be more specific? Thanks.

Neil Shaw
Clerk to Walton Parish Council
Mobile: 07414 257902

Email: waltonparishcouncil@gmail.com

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Paul Brough** (email address redacted)

Date: Tue, 21 Jun 2022 at 19:46

Subject: Trees rear of Waterton Close

To: waltonparishcouncil@gmail.com <waltonparishcouncil@gmail.com>

Hi I have just read your summer newsletter and see that pruning work in some trees on the Rec has been commissioned by Wakefield council. I think it's good, but can't understand that I have been asking for over 10 years now to have the trees pruned on land managed by the Council, which I understand is a recreational area. I've not even had anyone from the Council come and look at them.

Regards

P Brough

Walton Parish Council <waltonparishcouncil@gmail.com>

12:38 (0 minutes ago)

to AOL

Thanks for your email. The Parish Council is not responsible for the Colliery Park. However, I have forwarded your email onto a member of the Colliery Park Friends group who will contact you direct.

Neil Shaw

Clerk to Walton Parish Council

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On Tue, 21 Jun 2022 at 19:35, AOL Member Info (email redacted) wrote:

Sirs ,

can you let me know how i can arrange and pay for a , memorial seat/bench, in the memory of my recently deceased wife Mrs Betty Cook . and have it installed in Walton Colliery Nature Reserve .

thanks, Tony Cook