WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of WALTON PARISH COUNCIL held in WALTON VILLAGE HALL on TUESDAY 7th JANUARY 2020 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs G. Shaw (Chairman, in the Chair), A. Armstrong, T. Brocklebank, B. Hogg, D. Lockhart, T. Mark and T. Mounsey.

In Attendance: Clerk

097/19	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE				
	RESOLVED to note that no apologies for absence were received.				
098/19	REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION				
	RESOLVED to note that no requests for dispensation were received.				
099/19	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST				
	RESOLVED to note that no declarations of interest were made.				
100/19	MINUTES				
	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5TH NOVEMBER 2019 WERE SUBMITTED.				
	RESOLVED to authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 5th November 2019, confirmed as a true and accurate record.	GS			
101/19	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION				
	RESOLVED to note that no members of the public were present however a letter submitted to the Clerk regarding problem parking and access was read out to members and agreed to be put on the agenda for the next meeting and forwarded to highways for advice.				
	RESOLVED to note there were no reports from County or City Councillors. Members expressed their disappointment at the continued lack of attendance by City and County Councillors to meetings and that the Clerk should email them direct stating that their presence would be valued.	Clerk			
102/19	REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS -				
	102/19.1 WALTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE				
	Councillor Lockhart gave a report from the Village Hall Committee detailing recent and upcoming events and thanking those for helping decorate the village Christmas tree.				
	RESOLVED to note the report and that the Clerk would ask City Councillor Tarbitt to organise hi-vis jackets and litter pickers for a litter picking event to be held on March 22 nd 2020.	Clerk			
103/19	TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING -				
	RESOLVED to note there were no applications to be considered.				

04/19	FINANCIAL MATTERS -			
	104/19.1	BANK RECONCILIATION TO 31.12.19		
		There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the reconciliation of the Council's financial records with its bank account statements.		
		RESOLVED to receive and note the bank reconciliation and balance to 31st December 2019 of £10,432.52. Councillor Lockhart signed the bank reconciliation.		
	104/19.2 EXPENDITURE TO APPROVE			
		There was submitted a report by the Clerk detailing expenditure to approve.		
		RESOLVED to authorise payment of the accounts listed in the Appendix hereto amounting to £253.41.		
	104/19.3 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			
		RESOLVED to note that no formal requests for financial assistance had been submitted.		
	104/19.4	PRECEPT 2020/2021		
		Members considered the draft budget for 2020/21 prepared by the Clerk.		
		It was noted that expenditure was much higher than income. Grass cutting had increased significantly and provision for printing a parish plan questionnaire and survey report had been included.		
		RESOLVED that the precept for 2020/21 would be increased to \pounds 7,500.00, the Clerk would inform the City Council.	Clerk	
05/19	PARISH PLAN			
	RESOLVE	ED to defer the item to the next meeting. Information would be circulated to members e meeting.		
06/19	PLAY AR	EA		
	Councillor Brocklebank reported on the advice received from Proludic (play area equipment providers) following the Annual Play Area Inspection Report submitted to the previous meeting.			
	RESOLVED that Councillor Brocklebank would investigate the testing of safety surfacing further and report back at the next meeting, the Clerk would investigate grants for replacement picnic benches. Councillors Brocklebank and Hogg would carry out maintenance to the links on the pod swing.			
07/19	WEBSITE			
	107/19.1	WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT		
		Consideration was given to the draft website accessibility statement submitted from I. Whetton.		
		RESOLVED to adopt the website accessibility statement.		
	107/19.2 WEBSITE PRIVACY POLICY			
		RESOLVED that members would review the website privacy policy now available on the website and would report to the Clerk if there were any amendments required.		

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108/19	OLD CENTURION PUB				
	No update or further information had been received from City Councillor Shepherd or Chris Hardman, Planning Officer, City Council.				
	Members discussed the listing of the pub as a community asset and that this was due to end in March 2020.				
	RESOLVED that the Clerk would contact the City Council for information on extending the listing of the old Centurion Pub as a community asset.				
109/19	CALC				
	RESOLVED that the following correspondence from CALC was received and noted:-				
	109/19.1	CALC CIRCULAR – December 2019/January 2020			
	109/19.2	REPAIRS TO PROPERTY RELATING TO AFFAIRS OF THE CHURCH			
	109/19.3	COMMUNITY ENERGY CHAMPIONS IN PARISH COUNCILS			
		RESOLVED to note that Councillor Brocklebank would add the information to the Facebook page.			
	109/19.4	CARING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY			
	109/19.5	DISCIPLINARY AND GRIEVANCE ARRANGEMENTS			
	109/19.6	DEVELOPING YOUR SKILLS			
		RESOLVED to note that the Clerk would arrange for Councillor Lockhart to attend Effective Councillor events at Penrith.	Clerk		
110/19	CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK				
	RESOLVI	ED to note the following correspondence had been received: -			
	110/19.1	CUMBRIA POLICE – North Cumbria News			
111/19	LITERAT	URE AVAILABLE FROM CLERK –			
	RESOLVI	ED to note the following literature was available from the Clerk:-			
	111/19.1	NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE KEY DECISIONS – 15th December 2019.			
112/19	AGENDA	ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING			
	 Dog fouling Maintenance of local paths and tracks Use of marguee 				
		ED to note that any items for consideration should be submitted to the Clerk on or before uary 2020.			
113/19	DATE OF	NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 3rd March 2020, Walton Village Hall, 7.30pm.			

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114/19	PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 - To consider resolving, in terms of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, (contract terms), it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw.	
115/19	GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT 2020	
	There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the tenders invited and received for the grass cutting contract 2020.	
	RESOLVED to accept the tender submitted by J. Calvert in the sum of £2,590.00	
	Proposed by Councillor Mounsey, seconded by Councillor Lockhart, all agreed. There were no other proposals.	
	Meeting closed at 8.55pm.	

Appendix 1

Expenditure To Approve

Amount £	Payee	Detail	Chq number
135.00	Sensiprint	Newsletter	000052
11.81	I. Whetton for one.com	Website hosting	000053
106.60	HMR&C	PAYE	000054
£253.41			