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 9th February 2025 at 7:00pm.

## **Agenda**

# **144** **Apologies for absence**

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

# **145 Declarations of Interest**

*Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare disposable pecuniary or non-pecuniary 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.*

**146 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

# **147 Public Participation**

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

the meeting.

147.1 PCSO Report - attached  
147.2 Members of the Public  
147.3 Borough Councillors – Stockton Heath Car Park charges

**148 Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes are circulated with the and will be taken as read.

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th January 2025 to be confirmed as a

true record and signed by the Chair.

# **149 Banking Update**

To discuss actions since the last Parish Council meeting and to agree steps moving forward.

No report. Verbal update from last meeting.

**150 Employment Committee (Cllrs Harris/Hewitt/Lacey/Williams)**

Verbal update on interviews and selection. Process moving forward.

**151 Cadent (Cllr Hewitt)**

Update regarding change of location for HAGI from Mill Lane.

**152 Creamfields (Cllr Harris)**

Update

Proposal for Walton Parish Council to organise a meeting for residents in March. Invitees

Sarah Hall MP; Cream; Highways; Police.

Agree date.

**153 SEWUE Meeting 22.1.25**

Notes attached.

Discuss Walton’s vulnerability in respect of ‘poor quality’ Green Belt/Grey Belt’.

Neighbourhood Development Plan?

**154 Election Expenses**

See email sent 24.1.25 from Cllr Harris to WBC re election charges requesting a

breakdown of the charges.

Charges; Lower Walton £82.43. Higher Walton £1,651.40. Total £1733.92

Discuss and decide next steps

**155 GDPR**

Discussion

**156** **Finance**

Payments but unpresented at 17/01/2025

001588 Hayley Beardall 40.00

001590 Christina Hewitt 17.65

001592 WODAC Donation 100.00

001593 Gardenia Gardens Ltd

INV 8965 342.00

INV 9123 126.00

001594 R. Hardie 36.00

One new payment to be authorised on 06/02/25 to Gardenia Gardens Ltd. INV 9180 for £173.00

NB There is another Gardenia Invoice sent in recently from 1/10/2024 for 288.00 which needs to be researched before payment as it was in the previous Clerk's time and may have been paid together with another Invoice but no Invoice numbers on cheque stubs.

\*No Bank Statement received at 31/01/2025.

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| 20/01/24 Balance brought forward | 32,144.98 |
| Less unpresented cheques | 661.65 |
| **Balance in hand @ 31/01/25** | **31,483.33** |

**157 Strategic Plan (Cllr Lacey)**

Verbal update

**158 Reports from Advisory Groups**

**158.1 Planning**

No report

Applications since January meeting:

2024/01031FULH I Warrington Road

2024/01620CLDE The Shed Moore

2025/00751FULH 13 Granby Road

2024/01620CLDE The Stag

**158.2 Betterment Advisory Group**

Verbal Report.

Review Gardenia contract.

Discuss working with Thorn Cross (Restorative Justice Program) to cover some aspects of

Parish maintenance.

**158.3 Events Advisory Group**

Verbal Report:

VE day

Proposal (Cllr Williams): To spend £56 for VE lamp post signs.

**158.4 Donations**

No report.

Stockton Heath Festival request for £425.

Proposal (Cllr Harris); To donate £425 towards Stockton Heath Festival.

**159 Report on recent dog attacks in Walton (Cllr Harris)**

For information only

**160 Reports from Portfolio Holders and Outside Body Representatives**

160,1 Footpaths/Towpaths  
To receive an update on matters that have been reported to Warrington Borough Council by councillors.  
140.2 Highways, Vegetation & Street Lighting  
T6 receive an update on matters that have been reported to Warrington Borough Council by councillors.

Trees in Verges – Discuss – letters from Mr Beech, Mertoun Road and Mr Alan Jones, Worsley Road.  
160.3 Walton Hall Estate  
To receive any information

**161 Report on Actions taken and correspondence received since the previous meeting**

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

**162 Set date and time of next meeting**

To set the date and time of the next Parish Council Meeting as Thursday 6th March 2025 at St. John’s Community Church Hall, Old Chester Road, Walton commencing at 7.00pm.