

Minutes of WALTON PARISH COUNCIL meeting held in the Village Hall TUESDAY, 8th November, 2022

Present: Councillors: - Armstrong (TAA) Hodgson (RH), Hogg (BH), Mark (TM), Matthews (SM), Mounsey (TMO), Shaw (GS), and Wilkinson (WW).

CLERK/RFO and 1 Member of the Public.

100/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – No apologies for absence.

101/22 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS - The clerk had received no requests since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

102/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – No declarations by elected and co-opted members of interests in respect of items on this agenda were received.

103/22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – The member of the public asked if Council could consider an early indication to the Parishioners of the timescales around the activity to discuss the arrangements for the Village Green going forward into 2024. Council determined to organise the “event” to seek parishioners views on the 16th May 2023 with advertising of the event to take place via the Spring Newsletter which will be distributed slightly earlier than would ordinarily be the case to avoid the Election date and give individuals plenty of notice.

104/22 MINUTES OF MEETINGS – Council had received and subsequently approved for authorisation and publication the minutes of the meetings held on the 27th September 2022 and 11th October 2022

105/22 FINANCIAL MATTERS – The Clerk produced and distributed the up-to-date Bank Reconciliation, dated 31/10/2022 for Council members which was accepted and Members authorised the payment of expenditure detailed at the meeting.

106/22 VILLAGE GREEN – grass cutting – the Clerk reported that a number of prospective tenderers had been in touch (and indeed 1 tender had already been received), and that this subject will be the major item for discussion at the December meeting.

107/22 VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – the Chair had been passed information regarding events that were scheduled to take place in the near future and reported that the Village Hall Management Committee met 4 times a year and the dates will be reported to Council as and when they are available.

108/22 PLAY AREA – update from the Clerk indicating that the work to repair and re-position the Hip-Hop had been carried out and it was agreed that the engineer who performed this task, who was an ex employee of the supplier Proludic would be invited to provide a tender to Council for the remaining works that need to be completed to enable Council to receive the Carlisle City Council Grant. All monies to be spent, invoiced and paid by the 31/3/2023.

109/22 2023 PRECEPT and ELECTION – the Clerk updated Council members on the situation regarding the proposed Election date of 4th may 2023 and the advice given from CALC to make provision within the Budget for a charge if the election has to be administered in the event that it is a contested election. Budget for 2023/204 to be finalised at the

December meeting together with the request for Precept after the decision regarding tenders for the Village Green cutting.

110/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – December 20th 2022 Walton Village Hall at 7.00pm.
Meeting closed at 8.00