Chair	John Evans	016977 42122
Vice Chair	Simon Wood	016977 42570
	Alan Armstrong (Montcalm)	016977 3164
	Jonathan Fowler	016977 3431
	Gordon Kyle	016977 2521
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uns, Mus	Tom Brocklebank	016977 45409
	Alan Armstrong (Townhead)	016977 2730
Clerk	Sarah Kyle Hill House, Walton, Brampton, CA8 2DY	016977 2769
Highways Hotline		0845 609 6609
Dog Fouling		01228 817380
Police		101

DOG FOULING

The Parish Council are pleased to announce that we will be welcoming Jane Rimmer to the Parish Council meeting on Monday 8th July at 7.30pm. Jane is the Education and Enforcement Officer at Carlisle City Council and will be talking to us about the many initiatives the City Council are running to deal with the problem of dog fouling. Please do come along to the meeting with any questions you may have and to discuss with Jane the types of work we can do here in Walton to combat this problem.

CUMBRIA TRADING STANDARDS DROP IN SESSIONS

Did you know that you can speak to Cumbria Trading Standards confidentially and in person every Thursday in Carlisle Library (The Lanes) between 10am—4pm.

BRAMPTON AND DISTRIC CHOIR

A summer concert will be held on Friday 28th June at 7.30pm at William Howard School, Brampton. Tickets are £5 (under 12's are free) and are available from the Cumberland Building Society, Front Street, Brampton; Choir Members; on the door or by email to secretary@bramptonanddistrictchoir.com.



Welcome to the June 2013 Edition of the Newsletter brought to you by Walton Parish Council.

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CHAIRS REPORT (AS READ AT THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING IN MARCH)

At the annual meeting last year and during correspondence throughout the year the public asked the Parish Council to be more available to the public. To try to do this the Parish Council now have a surgery before every parish council meeting and have a Clerk's surgery every second month.

In addition to this the Parish Council take cognisance of public opinion and try to work for the good of and following the will of the parishioners. An example of this is the request from the parishioners to actively look at bringing a pub back to Walton. We held an Open meeting to understand what the public wanted, placed an objection to the proposed plans for the building formerly known as the Centurion and continue to work with and liaise with the City Council Planning Department in this regard.

To try to provide more information to the parishioners we have installed a new noticeboard at Nickies Hill. We continue to prepare and distribute a newsletter 4 times a year and keep the website up to date with information.

The Parish Council have supported the development of the Reading Room which we believe will improve the facilities for the Parish. We also support the Community Led Plan which is due to be published in the next few months. This has asked for the views and opinions of parishioners and has developed a list of actions for taking forward. The Parish Council will consider the output from this plan and are likely to take on the high priority actions.

Looking forward to next year the Parish Council have several on-going projects, namely agreeing to take on the land in Walton Village currently registered to the County Council, finalisation of the tree management plan and taking on high priority actions from the Community Led Plan. In addition we will work to understand and fully develop opportunities and benefits to the Parish from the Localism Bill.

With respect to finances, the Parish Council were working to a loss making budget for this year and plan to for next year. This is to keep the precept down and use the reserves we have while maintaining the services we offer.

Finally it is worth mentioning that the councillors are all volunteers and the work we do is in our own time. I would like to thank the councillors for their hard work and support and extend that to the City and County Councillors, Syd and Lawrence for their continued advice and support – it is much appreciated. While we do try to provide a service to the parish we are aware that there are some areas where people consider we are deficient and could improve. Please let us know if or how we can improve the work we do and while I cannot offer any guarantees of improvement I can promise we will do our best for the parish.

John Evans (Chair, Walton Parish Council).

COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Robert Ridley resigned in April from the Parish Council. Thanks are given to him for the years he served on the Council. His resignation does mean we have a vacancy for a new councillor. If you are interested in this voluntary position please apply in writing before 30 June 2013 to the Clerk either at Hill House, Walton, Brampton, CA8 2DY or by email to clerk@waltonparish.co.uk.

YOUR ADVERT COULD APPEAR HERE!

The Walton News is hand delivered to all households in Walton Parish four times a year. We get directly into the doors of a wide audience so are ideal for advertising at low cost. Contact the Clerk on 016977 2769 if for further information.

EXERCISE CLASSES—ARE YOU INTERESTED?

The Village Hall are very keen to encourage more people to use their facilities and are currently looking at providing some exercise/fitness classes. If you have any suggestions for the type of class you are interested in —or if you are able to teach a class—please contact Mel on 016977 41848



or email mel@waltonparish.co.uk. Please also do keep a watch on the noticeboards and website for details of when the classes begin.

READING ROOM REFURBISHMENT

Well over 40 people attended the Grand Opening of the Reading Room in March. Since then the Tea Room has re-opened under new local management. Opening hours are clearly displayed on the noticeboards and Heather and Vicky provide a warm welcome to all of you!

BROADBAND

The EU have now finally approved the funding for the superfast broadband project between Cumbria County Council and BT, and so now the roll out phases can really begin. The next stage is to discover which parts of the County fit into the 93% that will receive superfast broadband.

RECYCLING BINS

The City Council have been reviewing the provision of recycling bins and many areas in the district are going to lose their bring-sites. Walton luckily are to retain their bins at the Village Hall but the City Council are proposing stopping the payments we receive for them. Walton Parish Council have opposed this move and will continue to act on behalf of the outlying areas of our parish who do not receive any doorstep recycling collections.

Transport information sessions at your local library

Why not pop into Longtown Library on any of these dates:

Tuesday 7th May 2013 Tuesday 4th June 2013 Tuesday 2nd July 2013 Tuesday 30th July 2013 Tuesday 27th August 2013

between 13.00pm and 17:00pm to have a chat with your Locality Transport Officer from the County Council's Integrated Transport Team. To find out about transport in your local area or discuss any transport or access issues that you may have.

VILLAGE HALL BOILER

As many of you will know the central heating boiler at the Village Hall was recently declared broken beyond repair. The Village Hall Management Committee are working closely with their sub-committee (The Social Committee who run events in the parish to fundraise for the Village Hall) and the Parish Council to try and secure funding for a new one.

The PC have submitted various grant applications and hopefully money will be available during the summer to fit a new system in time for the colder months.

TURN YOUR ONLINE SHOPPING INTO DONATIONS FOR THE HALL!

Do you shop online? Did you know that every time you buy something you could be raising money for Walton Village Hall? Over 2400 well known retailers including Amazon, M&S, Boden, Waitrose, House of Fraser, Vodafone, Virgin Atlantic and many more, will donate a percentage of what you spend to Walton Village Hall when you shop with them, via <u>fundraising website easyfundraising.org.uk</u>

How does it work? Each purchase generates a donation. So instead of going directly to a retailer's website, go to <u>easyfundraising</u> first and choose the retailer you want to shop with – then everything you spend with that retailer earns a free donation for Walton Village Hall. It's completely free to use and your shopping won't cost you a penny more. On average, each retailer will donate 5% of the cost of your shopping - and those donations soon mount up.

Please register to supporting us when you shop online - http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/waltonvillagehall

Sid Bowman represents our Parish at Carlisle City Council. If you have a City Council related issue which you wish to raise, he can be contacted at:

01228 561185 or SydB@carlisle.gov.uk

John Mallinson is your local County Councillor. If you have a County Council related issue which you wish to raise he can be contacted at:

01228 533746 or john.mallinson@cumbria.gov.uk

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

CAR TREASURE HUNT SATURDAY 20TH APRIL

The Social Committee would like to thank everyone who came and supported our annual car treasure hunt. Yet again we had a great turn out with a total of 14 cars attending. Following the treasure hunt we had had jacket potatoes with a variety of fillings and our monthly pub night which was enjoyed by everyone.

Prize List:- 1st Team 1st Class (Hazel Waugh & Family) 2nd Team No Hopers (Michael Armstrong & Family) Boobie prize Team BMW (Jarik).

"A BIT OF A DO" SATURDAY 6th July 7pm – 1am

Bar, BBQ & Salads by Salutation Inn Marquee on Walton Village Green Route 66 Disco In aid of Village Hall repairs Tickets – Adults £10 Children - (10 & Under) £5 For tickets please text or call Gill Whiteford on 07738703500 by Sat 22nd June

DUCK RACE - £1 per duck SATURDAY 31ST August – 3pm onwards The River King Walton finishing at Dovecote Bridge

> PAMPERED CHEF PARTY WEDNESDAY 18th September – 7PM Tea Room, Walton

RACE NIGHT SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER – 7PM ONWARDS

At Salutation Inn, Irthington More details to follow

CHRISTMAS FAIR SUNDAY 10th November 1pm-3pm Walton Village Hall

All events organised by Walton Social Committee are In aid of the upkeep and repairs to Walton Village Hall

Summary of Walton PC Accounts	2012/13	
Income	<u>£</u>	
Precept	4879	
Donations, Projects & Grants	3776	
Wayleave (Electricity Sub stations)	97	
Recycling	200	
Training, Sales & Advertising Income	236	
VAT reclaimed (includes some carried forward from 2011/12)	932	
Play Area Group pre-payments	579	
Bank Interest	5	
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Admin (incl. subscriptions/Insurances/training & equipment)	1318	
Clerks Salary & Expenses	1720	
Maintenance	1600	
Audit/Legal Costs	435	
Newsletter	227	
VAT incurred	748	
Donations/Grants	1240	
Projects	3517	
Balance Brought Forward	8018	
Add receipts	10704	
Less payments	10805	
Balance at 31 March 2013	7918	
Represented by cash at bank 31 March 3013	7918	

CLERKS AND COUNCILLORS SURGERIES

Unfortunately due to lack of participation the Parish Council have had to stop the Councillors and Clerks surgeries. This decision was taken after the Chairs report was made in March so differs from what we say on the front page of our newsletter. In all of the sessions we held only 1 parishioner attended. If you do wish to chat with either a Councillor or the Clerk in private though please do get in touch with any of us (details on the back page) and we will be happy to arrange a mutually convenient time. If enough of you would like the surgeries to begin again we will of course endeavour to re-start them.

CHILDRENS SUMMER ACTIVITY SCHEME

The Village Hall boiler has broken and the Parish Council are managing the replacement purchase and this will require the reallocation of funds. Due to this we have taken the unfortunate decision not to run the summer activity schemes as previously mentioned. We will try and have a look at funding some provision in 2014 if finances allow.

DRIVING ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

The Parish Council are once again looking at the issue of driving on the Village Green. We are receiving increasing numbers of complaints both about the state of the tracks on the Green and also people using the track near the Church as a short-cut. Driving on the Green and damaging its surface is illegal so we will need to continue to find a workable solution to this problem—we will update more in the next newsletter.

COMMUNITY LED PLAN

The final Community Led Plan has now been adopted by the Parish Council and is available for you to download from the website (www.waltonparish.co.uk). Limited copies are also available in the Village Hall. The Parish Council will now look to work with the other voluntary groups mentioned in the plan and begin implementing its action plan over the next five years.

You are welcome at all PC Meetings. They are scheduled to take place at 7.30pm in the Village Hall: Monday 8th July 2013 Monday 9th September 2013 Monday 11th November 2013 All meetings are <u>subject to change</u> so please check the website and noticeboard regularly. The official notice is placed 3 working days before the meeting on the notice board to confirm the date. Additional meetings are called when necessary for urgent matters.