AGENDA

MONTHLY MEETING OF WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

FRIDAY January 9th, 2026, AT 7PM IN WALTON VILLAGE HALL

All Walton Parish Councillors are summoned to attend this meeting of the Parish Council. This is an open meeting, and the press and public are welcome to attend.

Helen Moore 2nd January 2026

1. **To receive and consider reasons for non-attendance.**
2. **Councillors**
   a. Disclosure of any undeclared interests and notification of dispensations granted.
   b. Training requests and feedback
   c. Councillor Vacancy – to consider any applications received and/or co-opt to fill the current vacancy.
3. **Minutes**
   To consider approval of the minutes of the meeting of 12th December 2025
4. **Public Speaking & Correspondence**
   a. **Declaration of interest in speaking on agenda item[s]**: To speak for no more than 3 minutes on items on the agenda [Public participation shall not exceed 30 minutes in total.]
   b. **Opportunity to raise issues/concerns not on this agenda**: To speak just for information. Council agrees if the item is added to the agenda of a future meeting or not. [Maximum of 5 speakers per meeting and 2 minutes per item]
   c. **Correspondence received from members of the public:** regarding issues/concerns not on this agenda – just for information. Council agrees if the item is added to the agenda of a future meeting or not.
5. **Presentation from Syed Shah re the A39 Street, road works.**
6. **Cycle Racks**
   a. To consider the provision of cycle racks for the village.
7. **Walton Neighbourhood Plan**
   a. To consider the Walton Village Views event and any action required.
      I. Displays
      II. Flyers and flyer distribution
      III. To consider staffing the event and any further action required
8. **Village Upkeep**
   Points within this item may need to be considered under note a. [see end of agenda.]
   a. To discuss and consider parish council ownership of a mower.
   b. To discuss and consider the contracting out of additional grass cutting around the village.
   c. To consider a formal proposal from the Walton Trust regarding the ownership of the Trust's Kubota mower.
   d. Village Ranger - to receive reports and consider any action required
      I. allocation of tasks and hours for the next month.
9. **Precept for 2026 – 2027**
   a. To formally agree the setting of the precept for the next financial year -2026 to 2027
10. **Planning**
    a. To receive any planning decisions reported.
    b. To consider planning applications received.
    c. General planning concerns to note.
11. **Annual Meeting of the Parish – [Village Meeting] Friday 24th April 2026**
    a. To receive an update on current arrangements and consider any action required.
12. **Finances**
    a. To receive, and consider approval of, the monthly financial report.
    b. To consider authorisation of the invoices for payment schedule.
13. **Village telephone box library**
    a. Improvement and maintenance

14. **Community Payback Scheme**
    a. to consider the information from the probation service and use of the community payback scheme.
15. **Roads, traffic & footpaths**
    a. Roads -To receive reports, regarding repairs, SID's, signage, traffic speed etc., and to consider any action required.
    b. Village Gateway signs – to receive a report and consider any action required.
    c. Footpaths – To receive reports regarding maintenance, repairs, and improvements etc., and to consider any action required.
16. **Environment**
    a. East Mead Community area – To receive a report and consider any action required.
    b. Allotments – to receive a general report and consider any action required.
    c. Allotments – to consider potential seasonal car park extension.
17. **Village Newsletter**
    a. To receive a general report and consider any action required.
    b. To consider reports and proposals for future content.
18. **Reports for information but not for decisions.**
    a. Somerset Councillor[s] – including Avalon & Poldens LCN update.
    b. Parish Councillors reports.
19. **Upcoming Meetings and events**
    a. **Next Parish Council Meeting – FRIDAY 13th February 2026**

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a. (Confidential items comprising exempt information, members of the public asked to leave the meeting): 'To exclude the public (including the press) from a meeting of a committee it is necessary for the following
proposition to be moved and adopted: "that the public be excluded from the meeting for items which involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph 1 of Part 1 of the Schedule 12 A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) as indicated'

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b. Councillors are reminded of their duty under the Code of Conduct: The 7 principles of public life: Selflessness, Integrity, Objectivity, Accountability, Openness, Honesty, and Leadership.
The council has a general duty to consider the following matters in exercise of any of its functions: Equal opportunities, crime and disorder, health and safety, human rights, and biodiversity.

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c. For information – Councillors are reminded that if there is anything that they would like to see discussed at the February 13th 2026 parish council meeting, the title of the item (which is used on the agenda); a brief description of the issue, recommendation (what the Cllr would like the Council to do); background to the issue and supporting papers if any, need to be with the Clerk by Midday on Thursday 5th of February 2026, at the latest this is to enable the circulation of reports and information with the agenda of the meeting.
