AGENDA

MONTHLY MEETING OF WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

FRIDAY April 10th, 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 1nd April 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 review
   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 meetings of 13th March 2026
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 whether 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 whether the item is added to the agenda of a future meeting or not.
5. **Planning**
   a. To receive any planning decisions reported.
   b. To consider planning applications received.
      i. Footlands – 2026/0477/FUL
      ii. 5 Quarry Batch – 2026/0493/VRC
   c. SCRAPP (Somerset Communities Raging Against Poor Planning) – to consider a report.
   d. General planning concerns to note.
      i. Haycroft Farm – 2026/0538/AGB
      ii. Updates regarding existing applications
6. **Walton Neighbourhood Plan**
   To receive a report regarding the next steps required to progress the neighbourhood plan.
7. **Asset Devolution from Somerset Council**
   a. To receive an update regarding the transfer of ownership of green areas in the village and consider any action required.
8. **Meadow Lane Village Play Area**
   a. To receive a report regarding maintenance and consider any action required.
9. **Village Upkeep**
   a. Village Ranger - to receive reports and consider any action required
      i. allocation of tasks for next month.
10. **Annual Meeting of the Parish – [Village Meeting] Friday 24th April 2026**
    To receive an update on current arrangements and consider any action required.
11. **Finances**
    a. To receive, and consider approval of, the monthly financial report.
    b. Annual Governance and Accountability Return [AGAR] -to receive a report, including information regarding new assertion ten, and consider any action required.
    c. To consider authorisation of the invoices for payment schedule.

12. **Roads, traffic & footpaths**
    a. Roads -To receive reports, regarding repairs, SID's, signage, traffic speed etc., and to consider any action required.
    b. Parking - Meadow Lane – Resident's concerns re potentially hazardous parking on Saturday mornings.
    c. Village Gateway signs – to receive a report and consider any action required.
    d. Footpaths – To receive reports regarding maintenance, repairs, and improvements etc., and to consider any action required.
13. **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. Memorial Trees – to receive a project update and consider any action required
14. **Walton Hill Community Tree Trail**
    a. To consider the level of Council involvement in the project following the presentation to the March Parish Council Meeting and an updated report to this meeting.
    b. Any action required.
15. **Village Newsletter**
    a. To consider proposals for future content, especially villager interview, & allocate tasks.
16. **Reports for information but not for decisions.**
    a. Somerset Councillor[s] – including Avalon & Poldens LCN update.
    b. Parish Councillors reports.
17. **Upcoming Meetings and events**
    a. **Extra Ordinary meeting – Wednesday 15th April [7pm at Holy Trinity Church]**
    b. **Annual Meeting of the Parish – Friday 24th April 2026 [5.30pm at Village Hall]**
    c. **Annual Parish Council Meeting – Friday 8th May 2026 [7pm at Village Hall]**

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a. 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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b. For information – Councillors are reminded that if there is anything that they would like to see discussed at the parish council meeting of
Friday 8th May 2026
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 30th April 2026,
at the latest, this is to enable the circulation of reports and information with the agenda of the meeting.
