

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WALBERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
PAVILION, WALBERTON, ON TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2015 AT 7.00 P M**

**Present:** Councillors Siragher (Chair), Camerer Cuss, Rogers, Strickland,  
Mrs Clark, Mrs Norton, Mrs Wallsgrove.

**In attendance:** County Councillor Whittington  
District Councillor Dingemans  
7 members of the public

- 28615 Apologies for absence**  
Apologies were recorded from Councillor Ms English
- 28715 Declarations of interests**  
None
- 28825 Confirmation of the minutes**  
The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 19th  
May, 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 28915 Matters Arising**  
There were no matters arising from the minutes for further discussion
- 29015 Report from West Sussex County Council**  
County Councillor Whittington asked for the email contact details for  
new Parish Councillors. Maps for the proposed Fontwell phone box move  
had been provided and it was essential to mark the new position in  
order that a licence can be granted. WSCC had awarded a grant of  
£22400.00 to the Community Playcentre.
- 29115 Report from Arun District Council**  
District Councillor Dingemans presented the attached report.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.13 pm for public questions.

Mr A Alison reported that he had been in contact with both the Police and Arun  
District Council about the Mutiny Music Festival. He had passed his comments  
to Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove.

Mr P Brown commented on the good progress being made with the Barnham to  
Walberton cycle path. District Councillor Whittington was unable to give a  
definite completion date. WSCC will be organising a formal opening once the path is  
completed. Negotiations have just started on a route from the underpass at Fontwell  
through to Bignor.

The meeting was reconvened 7.22 pm

- 29215 Reports from Committee Chairs**  
Planning Committee

Councillor Camerer Cuss presented the minutes, which had already been circulated, of the Planning Committee meetings held on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 and 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2015.  
There were no questions

#### Finance Committee

Councillor Siragher presented the minutes, already circulated. of the Finance Committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2015  
There were no questions

#### General Purposes Committee

Councillor Mrs Clark presented the minutes, already circulated, of the G P Committee meetings held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2015 and 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2015.

A SID team, once volunteers have come forward, will be registered. The Committee have approved the letter to be sent to residents where hedges are overgrowing footways, the pond maintenance brief and repairs to the Red Cross hut and the installation of a power point in store shed. Bus shelter grants are being sourced and County Councillor Whittington will help with Finger post grants.

### **29315 Reports from other Organisations**

#### Joint Downland Area Committee

Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove will apply to the Committee for bus shelter funding

#### Walberton Task Force

Mr P Brown reported that work has just been carried out in the Pound and that on 21<sup>st</sup> August the team will be working in the car park. He suggested that perhaps some money might be made available in the autumn for more trees in the Jubilee Wood. He will arrange to collect the trees offered by Mrs Wheller

#### Allotments

Councillor Rogers presented the attached report.

#### Parish News

All Councillors are to feed items for the Parish News to Councillor Strickland. He will send re minders before deadline day.

#### Village Hall

Councillor Rogers said that there had been no meeting since the AGM. He still has to reply to the letter from the Hall chairman and will draft a reply for the Chairman and Clerk to approve before sending.

#### Community Playcentre @ Walberton

Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove had not yet been to a Trustees meeting. Mrs R Lapraik, Chair of Trustees, reported that the opening ceremony had been well attended. There will be a vacancy for a Community Trustee and a treasurer is being sought.

#### Flood Task Force

Nothing to report

#### Police Liaison

Nothing to report

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**Neighbourhood Plan**

1. Councillor Mrs Clark presented the attached report.
2. The Council resolved to agree the policies contained in the document titled Walberton Pre Submission Neighbourhood Development Plan and approved them to go forward as a formal consultation. The Council further resolved to delegate authority to the Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Team to make decisions on minor amendments to the Plan prior to its final sign off by the Council.

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**Community Playcentre**

Plans for landscaping the licensed outside play area and for a sign on the building had been circulated to Councillors

1. The landscaping plan was approved
2. The sign for the building was approved.,

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**Mutiny Music Festival**

The Council has received a letter (circulated) from Mrs S Meeten, Licensing Manager Arun District Council, advising that a de-brief of the event will be held in September. Councillor Mrs Wallsgrove has spoken with Mrs Meeten and it is understood she will be contacting the Clerk to arrange for the meeting to be held in the pavilion. The Chairman thought that we should include some parishioners in the debrief team. Councillor Strickland was concerned that the Council could take a one sided view as some people had no complaints.

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**New Councillors**

With the impending resignation of Councillor Mrs Norton there will be two vacancies for Councillors. This will be mentioned in the Parish News and eye-catching posters will be made.

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**2016 Villages Day**

This will be held on 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

A sub committee comprising Councillors Mrs Clark, Mrs Wallsgrove, Mrs Norton and Siragher was formed. Non Councillors will be asked to join.

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**Grants**

Councillor Strickland has started investigations into funding sources and crowd-funding was possibility to consider. A lot of funders have deadlines so specific projects need to be identified. It was considered that 2 defibrillators were needed – 1 to be placed in Fontwell and 1 in a location adjacent to the Village Hall. Financial help could possibly be

obtained from the British Heart Foundation Community Heartbeat Fund and from the Church. Councillor Mrs Clark thought the first priority should be the refurbishment and move of the Fontwell phone box and to install a defibrillator

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**Local Government Boundary Commission**

The Local Government Boundary Commission are holding a consultation on proposed changes to West Sussex County

Council and a reduction in Councillors to 70. County Councillor Whittington said that the proposals would not affect Walberton,

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**Villages Action Group**

A letter had been received from the Chair of the Villages Action Group seeking support for their campaign against the re-alignment of the A29 and the proposed development of up to 3000 homes in the Barnham/Eastergate/Westergate area. The Clerk was instructed to reply advising that at this moment in time the Council was not prepared to make a commitment.

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**Correspondence received**

Woody Burgess (aged 12) had written to the Council with plans to raise funds for a tennis court on the playing field. He will be invited to attend the next GP Committee meeting when this subject will be an agenda item for further discussion. In the meantime Councillor Strickland will contact the Hilton Hotel and enquire if their facilities could be made available to parishioners.

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**Other relevant business**

There was no further business for discussion

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**Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2015.

Signed..... Dated.....

Chairman of the Council

