

Waltham Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 1st of April 2025 at Waltham Village Hall

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Present: Parish Councillors John Barry (JB) (Chair), John Hockley (JH), Hugh Robinson (HR) and Jane Robinson (JR)

In attendance: A member of the public and RFO Tracey Block

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

JB welcomed all to the meeting

1. To receive any apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Barnes, Bland, Brady and Sole.

2. To receive Declarations of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests.

There were no declarations of interest to be received.

3. To approve the minutes of Motions and Resolutions of the meeting held on the 4th March 2025.

The minutes of the meeting were approved.

4. Public Session: To receive representations questions and evidence from members of the public.

The member of the public requested meeting dates to be on the notice board and in the magazine.

5. Chairman's Report: To receive an update on current issues:

Removal of play equipment at the park – Cllrs Barry and Hockley removed the play equipment. This has provoked people to come forward offering to start some fund-raising. To begin discussions at the APM.

Engagement meeting at Guildhall on 11th March – TB and JB attended the engagement meeting where Officers outlined what they knew about the re-organisation of the Unitary Authorities.

Review of winter maintenance – Policy needs to be reviewed. PC to consider the arrangements that are in place.

JB to discuss at the APM and listen to what residents have to say and then review the service agreement.

6. To receive reports: from County and City Councillors.

Mike Sole's report was circulated.

7. Planning: To receive any outstanding planning applications and to approve a response as necessary.

A solar Panel application was received on a property in The Gogway, no objections were raised.

Cllr J Robinson suggested solar panels could be fitted on the roof of the Village Hall.

8. Finance:

a) To **note** year to date receipts and payments. The bank charges were 60p different.

b) **Payment Schedule:** There were no payments to be approved due to the year end on 31st March 2025.

9. To agree arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting

APM will be on 15th of April 2025 at 6.30pm. Refreshments will be provided at the beginning of the meeting. JR will provide the refreshments and JH will help.

10. To note the website costs and decide upon actions highlighted in the recommendations of the Clerk

Resolved: To continue with the website with Geosphere.

11. Dates of meetings:

To agree meeting dates for 2025 as follows:

Thursday 29th May 2025

Tuesday 1st July 2025 (JR and HR not available)

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Tuesday 7th October 2025

Tuesday 4th November 2025

Tuesday 9th December 2025

Clerk to produce document with dates of meetings for the rest of 2025.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm