

WALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Alan Staples Clerk: Lorna McGoldrick

Minutes of Walgrave Council Meeting held on:

Monday 12th July 2021 at 7.30pm in the Baptist Chapel Schoolroom, Gold Street

Councillors Present:

Cllrs Alan Staples (Chair) (AS), Tom Althorpe (Vice Chair) (TA), Barbara Evans (BE), Craig Evans (CE), Mike Graham (MG), Brian Hamilton (BH), Narinder Hammond, Neil Gibbs (NG)

In attendance: Lorna McGoldrick – Clerk.

7 members of the public

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

22/055	Record Attendance, absence and apologies: None
22/056	Record any Declarations of Interest: None
22/057	Conduct a Public Session: Objections to Planning Application WND/2021/0109, were raised by 3 residents and a Representative of Parochial Council (and asked the Parish Council object to this proposal) The objections were: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The proposal for the new driveways, 2 parking spaces exiting directly onto the High Street,• The size of the proposed dwelling, a substantial 3 bedroomed 2/3 storey house, 10 metres high, replacing an existing single storey 2 car garage• The proximity to the Grade 1 listed Church, its environment and sensitivity of its setting• The materials proposed in the application are of concern• The applicant is referencing the more modern post war structure of the 2 Spires as opposed to the older buildings and without due consideration for the Church opposite• The lose of privacy for adjacent properties• The noise that will be created by a proposed air source heat pump• The removal of existing trees and hedges• Church Lane being a central point for the Village• This building is the wrong house in the wrong setting
22/058	Planning: Current applications can be reviewed on the Parish Council Website WND/2021/0109 It was Resolved to object to this planning application due to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Close proximity to the Church• Visual Impact• Highways issues• Loss of privacy for neighbouring residents• Infill• Size and Design relative to plot WND/2021/0171 Rectory Farm House, Kettering Road, Walgrave, Northamptonshire, Council Resolved to submit a No comment response <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To receive update, see appendix 1• Planning Applications received since the publication of the Agenda WND/2021/0317 Council Resolved to submit a no comment response.

22/059	Approval and signing of the minutes – Members Resolved to approve the Council Meeting minutes held on Monday 14 th June 2021, the Chairman duly signed the Minutes.
22/060	Action Points for Action and Tracking: Closed: 22/044, 22/051 , Ongoing: 22/046 clearing the Culverts in Northall, Highways advised 22/032 volunteer job description completed and agreed by Cllrs 20/132 Cllrs have agreed WPC should source the lamp numbers and have them replaced.
22/061	Vacancies and Co-option of councillors: Council Resolved that the vacancy that has arisen due to the resignation of Adam Merchant will be advertised.
22/062	To receive financial Report: circulated to Councillors Councillors Resolved to approve the bank reconciliation and report: £63,345.46 Finance: Councillors Resolved to approve payments made at and between meeting to the sum of £2318.85 Clerk salary £485.00 (July) Clerk Expenses £38 (July) Total: £523.51 Service Charge Unity Trust £18.00 Tim Whittaker £1055.00 NCALC Chairmanship Training £44.00 Lonsdale Printing £86.00 E.on £592.34 Total: £1795.34
22/063	Highways: Sheldons Lane: Vehicles are regularly parked on Kettering Road within 10 metres of the junction with Sheldons Lane (a private road). This poses a safety issue and there has been a near accident reported, therefore Council Resolved to send a letter to nearby residents to make them aware of this issue and to engage their support. On the advice of Northants Highways Council Resolved to apply for yellow lines in event that they should be required for this area. Residents have advised that there have been issues with visibility and at least one near miss. The Quiet Lane: Council received a letter from a resident asking WPC to pursue the 20mph speed limit. Council agreed that a letter should be sent to ask if anything further can be done to reduce the speed limit. Council Resolved that Google should be contacted for the Quiet Lane to be removed so that it was not shown on GPS.
22/064	Tree work in the Pocket Park: The trees in the Pocket Park with Ash Die back have been reviewed with 2/3 trees presenting a safety issue. Other trees have been marked that may have to come out over a planned period, possibly 2 to 3 years. Simon Mead has contacted Moulton Agricultural College who are happy to use the removal of these trees as a training exercise for their students. WPC will implement a program for the removal of the remaining trees that require removing and will allocate funds in the forthcoming budget, also offering further information to the residence in due course.
22/065	Police Liaison: Council Resolved to approve Adam Merchant continuing as Police liaison representative.
22/066	Street Lights: It was Resolved that due to the fading out of the current systems, the Street Lights would be upgraded to LED lamps. It was Resolved that this would be done in a phased approach over 3 years, starting April 2022 with the old Sox system to continue to be maintained until April. Cllr Althorpe to find out, which LED lights would be most appropriate. We will ask the various companies to re-quote based on the information discussed at the

	meeting. Further to ensure the residents are passed more information on this matter in the next village newsletter Resolved that Street Light numbers should be purchased and installed.
22/067	Footpath Warden: It was Resolved that Kitty Lacey would be appointed footpath warden. Clerk and Chairman to arrange a meeting. Cllrs approved the Volunteer Job Description, which has been circulated which will be given to Kitty.
22/068	Training: It was Resolved that Council should undertake full council training on the Code of Conduct.
22/069	Correspondence: to agree response/action to correspondence received. A resident wrote to complain about the condition of the footpaths. Although WPC has appointed a Footpath Warden she is tasked with the Public. Highways are responsible for the footpaths in the Village. Highways will be advised of the points raised within the complaint.
22/070	Regular Reports: Ground Maintenance one piece, rectory between the 2 stiles, on rectory lane missed, contractor informed. Kettering Road The verges haven't been mowed as the Farmer dug out the trenches and the contractor cannot use their mower due to the uneven ground. Silver Street water coming out full of green algae, has been reported several times and will be chased again Village hall have discussed with English Heritage re the fence and seem to making progress. VH have requested that the Village Hall minutes be put on the Website. Members agreed that this could be done going forward. Pocket Park Cllr Hamilton has undertaken some remedial work, cutting the hedges and removing vegetation
22/071	To receive Councillor and Sector Reports: Old road: number 37 has been raised as a concern, as residents believe that a car sales business is being run from this property. This complaint to be investigated by the Clerk.
22/072	Agenda: requests for items to included on the Agenda for the next meeting
22/073	Next Meeting: Monday 13 th September 2021 7.30pm

Meeting closed: 9.40pm

All reports can be made available upon request to the Clerk

Signed that the minutes are a true and accurate record

Chair: *Tom Althorpe*

Dated: 13th September 2021

Future Meetings 2021
Monday 11th October
Monday 8th November
Monday 13th December

Appendix 1

Planning Applications

Decided:

DA/2020/0860

Outline planning permission for the construction of a detached annexe to be used as incidental use to the main dwelling (all matters reserved other than access) (resubmission of DA/2020/0182). Land At Highfield, Sheldons Lane, Walgrave, Approved – 22nd April, 2021

DA/2021/ 0234: Single storey rear extension, 11, Amber Drive, Walgrave, Northamptonshire, NN6 9RW Approved 27th May 2021

DA/2021/0119: Demolition of existing rear extension. Construction of larger single storey rear extension (revised scheme) Greenside, Kettering Road, Walgrave, Northamptonshire, NN6 9PH
Approved – 13th May, 2021

Awaiting Decisions:

DA/2021/0336

Listed Building Consent for conversion of carport to outbuilding including insertion of doors, windows and roof lights.

DA/2021/0223 Conversion of outbuilding to office/general purpose room. Cross Lodge 1, Old Road, Walgrave, Northamptonshire, NN6 9QW

WND/2021/0138 Reserved matters application (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for construction of a detached annexe to be used as incidental use to the main dwelling

Appendix 2

ACTION POINTS

Agenda item	Who	Action Point
22/058	Clerk	To respond to Planning Application WND/2021/0109 & WND/2021/0171 & 0317
22/063	Clerk/Chair	With Chairman to respond to any queries asking for response to the suggestions regarding Sheldon's Lane
22/063	Clerk	To write to Google to ask for the Quiet Lane to be removed, & send letter to Highways in response to the Speed Panel refusing the speed reduction.
22/064	Cllr Althorpe	To investigate which LED lighting Walgrave should have.
22/066	Clerk	To get quote for Street Light number signs
22/068	Clerk	To arrange Full Council Training with NCALC – Code Conduct
22/069	Clerk	To advise Highways of the poor state of the village footpaths and Whittakers to do weed killer along Church Lane.
22/070	Clerk	Village Hall: To liaise with Cllr C Evans re the Village Hall minutes
22/071	Clerk	To look into 37 Old Road.

POINTS FOR TRACKING

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22/046	Clerk	The clearing of the underground culverts on Northall