

WALCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Virtual Annual Meeting of the Walcott Parish Council held on Monday 3rd May 2021

Present: J Howell, T Love, K Porter, P Porter (Chair), J Ransom;
in attendance: Cllrs E Seward (NCC), and three members of the public

1. Mrs Porter welcomed all those present.
2. Appointment of Chairman - Mrs Porter was proposed as Chair by TL, seconded by JHo and duly elected; the Declaration of Acceptance of Appointment would be signed post-meeting..
 - 2.1 Appointment of vice-Chairman, any member responsibilities – item deferred
3. Declarations of interest – none
4. Finance
 - 4.1 The Council adopted the Accounts for 2020-2021, proposer KP, all in favour.
 - 4.2 The Council approved the AGAR Certificate of Exemption, proposer TL, all in favour.
 - 4.3 The Council received the Annual Report of the Internal Auditor for 2020/21, proposer KP, all in favour.
 - 4.4 The Council approved the AGAR Section 1 (the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21), proposer KP, all in favour.
 - 4.5 The Council approved the AGAR Section 2 (the Accounting Statements 2020/21), proposer JHo, all in favour.
 - 4.6 The Council re-appointed Roger Canwell as Internal Auditor for the current year, proposer TL, all in favour.
 - 4.7 The Council re-appointed the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer, proposer KP, all in favour.
 - 4.8 The Council reviewed the budget for 2021-2022, and it was adopted, proposer KP, all in favour.
 - 4.9 The Council approved en bloc the following payments due, proposer TL, all in favour:

Roger Canwell, internal audit fee	£35.00	(cheque 0248)
Clerk's salary payslip [Apr]	£265.20	SO
5. The Council approved the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on March 15th 2021, proposer KP, all in favour.
6. Planning – no items to report

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7.1 Members' Reports-

Members were keen to see the defibrillator repaired and the Clerk would work with George Cooper to achieve this asap; the Clerk would alert the Council members to any significant costs.

The Clerk was asked to further his discussions with the Village Hall Committee to resolve their concerns re the Parish Council notice board.

7.2 Clerk's Report –

The Clerk advised that this would be the last 'virtual' meeting as after May 7th they would not be permitted. He asked members to attend a car park meeting. He had been in touch with the two new councillors who become 'active' on May 10th, and arranged some initial training. Co-option is the likely route to bring the Council up to full strength.

In open session Cllr C Stockton (NNDC) advised that the sanitiser station would be re-instated. Parking on the coast road was discussed and the Clerk was asked to write to Cllr E Seward (NCC) to record the Council's thanks for all his work during his tenure of office.

With no other business the meeting closed at 19.40

Signed: Chairman Date: 2021