

WALTON ON THE WOLDS PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

Minutes of an Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on the 21st of August 2024 at 7pm, Village Hall, Walton on the Wolds, Loughborough Road, LE12 8HT

Present:

Cllrs G Archer, C Greenall, J Lewin.

Also in attendance:

E Andrews (Clerk)

No members of the public attended

2024/122 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr T Lewis.

2024/123 To receive declarations of interest relating to agenda items

None

2024/124 To note correspondence from the external auditor, Moore East Midlands, issuing statutory recommendations under Schedule 7 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 relating to failings in governance and accounting identified by the Council in the Annual Governance and Accounting Return submitted for 2023-2024 (Appendix A).

Noted.

2024/125 To discuss whether to accept the external auditor's statutory recommendations under Schedule 7 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

Councillors unanimously agreed to accept the external auditor's statutory recommendations.

2024/126 To discuss and agree a response to the internal auditor's recommendations (Appendix B, also on the Audit page of the website), with a time frame for each recommendation, to be submitted to the external auditor for review within 7 days of this meeting.

Councillors discussed a draft response document drawn up by the Clerk, and unanimously agreed that this should be submitted to the external auditor by the Clerk within the next 7 days. This document is available on the Council's website.

2024/127 To report on correspondence with the Charity Commission in relation to the Constable's Land Charitable Trust and agree actions to be taken.

The Clerk reported that, as per the response document submitted to Moore, the records with the Charity Commission are now up to date. The Clerk has had several phone conversations with the Charity Commission who have given advice about managing the charity going forwards.

2024/128 Close of meeting 7:20pm

Signed by the Chair of the Council: *Christine Greenall*

Date: 2nd September 2024