

Parish Council Newsletter



Autumn 2022
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SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2022

Remembrance Prayers
for Armistice Day at the War
Memorial in Walton.
Time to be confirmed.

Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II 21st April 1926 - 8th September 2022

Following the sad death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, we join with people across the world and our Walton residents in mourning her loss. We are thankful for her extraordinary life of dedication and service as our longest-reigning British monarch. Her Majesty has been a constant re-assuring presence for us all during the past 70 years in both good times and bad. We will miss her and send our condolences to the Royal Family during their period of grief.

Chair's Review

As we move into the Autumn, I am very pleased to say that Walton Parish Council has been busy engaging with our residents and acting on their behalf in a variety of ways.

Your Parish Council has been representing Walton in the Local Plan process by taking an active part in the South Warrington Liaison Group and by also attending the Independent Examination in Public which runs from the beginning of September to the beginning of October. We are specifically addressing Housing, Green Belt, Transport, Infrastructure and Air Quality during the process.

We have established a Walton Estate Liaison Group. This year we had noted that events at Walton Estate were becoming more frequent and, at times, bigger. We wanted to bring together Walton Estate, St John's Church, residents and the parish council to discuss the implications for each event and we had some very productive discussions. Many of the issues centred around parking in the village. We would like to organise a small group with representatives from residents, the church, the Borough Council and the Parish Council to discuss what options, if any, would improve the situation. If you would like to be part of this, please feel free to contact either myself or our Clerk.

With very best wishes to you all.

Cllr Sharon Harris (Chair)

Walton's Heritage



To provide a lasting commemoration of the Queen's jubilee, the Parish Council produced a Heritage guide to the Walton Parish. 'Our Heritage' was distributed to all households in the parish in the week prior to the jubilee celebrations. The publication includes twenty sites of historical interest in an around the Parish. 'Our Heritage' is available via the parish website. If you have a smart phone, you can access the publication by using the QR code below. Simply open the camera app on your phone and point at the QR code and then follow the link.



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Autumn Litter Pick

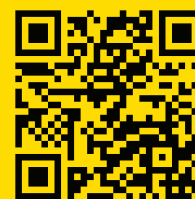
Sunday 25th September, 10am meeting at the QE field near the bus-top. Please join us – we can provide litter sticks and a safety hi-viz.



Climate and Ecology Action plan

Our local environmental priorities are:

- Helping the CO2 balance – taking action to reduce CO2 production locally
- Taking action to mitigate the local impact of climate change
- Being a role model while carrying out our work as a Council



You can see the Action Plan on the website via this QR code.

Platinum Jubilee

To mark the Queen’s Jubilee bunting was festooned on the Parish’s three triangles in Higher Walton, Lower Walton and Hillcliffe/Whitefield Roads. The Parish’s tubs were planted with blue and yellow iris to show support for the Ukrainian people. However, neither the squirrels nor the slugs respected our decision The bulbs were either dug up or the new shoots chomped! Morrisons’ Community Champion came to our aid with a kind donation of geraniums. Wild flower seeds were also sown among these



Parish Defibrillator

One piece of very exciting news is that, in line with our commitment to the welfare of our community, the Parish Council is in the process of purchasing two defibrillators – one in Higher Walton and one in Lower Walton. We always endeavour to encourage and support local working partnerships so we are delighted that Walton Lea Partnership has agreed to help us maintain the defibrillators. Walton Lea supports a wide range of people with learning disabilities and this project will provide community engagement opportunities as well as learning opportunities. We hope that the defibrillators will be in place soon.

Creamfields

As we write this Creamfields is just about wrapping up for this year. We will be attending a de-brief with Cream in due course and would urge you to contact us with any issues you may have had. We would also be happy to pass on any positive comments. Each year modifications are made to the planning and we want to minimise future impact on residents

Hedgehogs

The one thing we can all do to help hedgehogs is to make sure they can get in and out of our gardens so they can forage and hunt. Coming up to winter they also need a safe place to hibernate. This could be a hedgehog house, or just a wild corner with logs and leaves where they can make a snug nest. Let’s make Walton a hedgehog friendly place!

