

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
10th MARCH 2016

PRESENT Councillor J Densem (Chairman)
Councillor J Cornell (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors, J Chamberlain J Chambers, E Dickenson, T. Eatough,
S Edgar, L. Gill, T Gill and P Grant

APOLOGIES Councillor J Edwards

IN ATTENDANCE Councillors J Clowes and J. Hammond
PC N Moore
4 Local Residents

116. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED : That, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that the business to be transacted is of a confidential nature and the public interest would not be served by the disclosure of the information to be presented.

117. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN BRIEFING

Mr A Thomson, the Parish Council's Planning Consultant briefed members on the progress of studies commissioned on behalf of the Council by Cheshire East into Local Housing Need and by Cheshire Wildlife Trust into Landscape Assessment.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman and Vice Chairman in consultation with Andrew Thomson the Parish Council's Planning Consultant and the Clerk, be authorised to prepare and agree the Parish Council's response to the current Cheshire East Local Plan Consultation Exercise in respect of Green Gap and the South Cheshire Growth Village.

NOTE: At this point the meeting was opened to the Press and Public.

118. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare their interest in any item on the Agenda.
No declarations were made.

119. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 11th FEBRUARY 2016

RESOLVED That the Minutes of this meeting be approved as a correct record and signed by

120. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) Country Park Maintenance

Councillor J Clowes reported that the hedges on the perimeter of the Country Park had been cut back.

(b) Bus Turning Circle.

There had been no progress on this issue.

(c) Spinney Drive Carriageway.

It was reported that camera investigations were being carried out to ascertain the reason for the depression in the road surface. A broken sewer pipe had been suggested which may have also resulted in vermin being seen in the area.

121. POLICE MATTERS

PC N Moore reported on matters affecting the Parish.

There had been 1 incident of crime in the Parish in January and 2 reports of antisocial behaviour.

The tent in Bluebell Woods had been removed.

The problems of parking in the vicinity of the School continued and were being addressed.

A site meeting had been held to investigate initial plans for traffic and parking management at Wychwood Village although no implementation was possible for a year as any minor adjustments and works would be carried out in that period.

122. PLANNING MATTERS/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman of the Planning Committee reported on the formal consultation on the Local Plan and the need for the Parish Council to have the opportunity to speak on the South Cheshire Growth Village proposals and the need for a strong Green Gap Policy at the forthcoming Examination in Public.

123. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Councillor J Clowes reported on the proposed adoption of the roads at Wychwood Village and the proposed meeting with Council and Community representatives to consider the most appropriate parking and traffic arrangements.

The Enforcement Officer had visited the former Green Keeper's hut at Wychwood Village to inspect the fly tipping and had approached Haddon Properties to seek a solution.

Rachel Bolton had also contacted Haddon regarding the S106 Agreement in relation to the Country Park.

A safety review had been carried out to consider the provision of a pavement from the Hall roundabout to the Broughton Arms PH. A report was awaited.

Councillor J Hammond reported that the deadline for comments on the Local Plan was 5pm on 19th April 2016.

Strong representations were required on the Green Gap provision.

Englesea Brook Lane would be closed on 30/31st March to facilitate the installation of new gullies.

A prosecution was being prepared in respect of rubbish at Mere Road.

124. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor J Chamberlain reported on mud and branches on the carriageway in Snape Lane. This would be raised with Cheshire East Council.

Councillor E Dickenson reported on the blockage of Footpath 11. This matter would be raised with the Public Rights of Way Officer at Cheshire East Council.

Councillor P Grant reported on the traffic volume measuring being carried out in the Parish and offered to meet with Officers to alert them to the need for work at the junction of Whites Lane and Cemetery Road.

Members expressed concern at the level of noise that could be generated as a result of viaducts being constructed to carry the proposed HS2 lines. Representations needed to be made by mid-May.

Councillor P Grant had attended the Police Forum and reported on the revised management arrangements and proposed increase in the number of Officers.

Councillor J Cornell reported that the Grit Bin in Snape Lane had been removed. This matter had been reported to Cheshire East Council.

Councillor L Gill reported that a number of sale signs were still in place in Wychwood Village and needed to be removed by Bovis Homes.

Councillor T Eatough reported that a street light opposite 30 Mere Road was flashing and on difficulties entering the roundabout adjacent to the Honda Garage.

Councillor J Chambers reported on visits to the website.

The newly opened roads in the area had eased traffic flows but signage needed to be reviewed to assist drivers.

The Chairman reported that Morgan Sindell staff would be carrying out painting work on mile posts and finger posts.

125. OPEN FORUM-QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

In accordance with the Standing Orders members of the public were invited to ask questions or address the Parish Council.

Concern was expressed at the apparent inconsistency of site assessments in relation to Green Gap proposals.

126. FINANCIAL MATTERS- Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:-

D G Owen February Salary/Expenses	714.19
D Williamson February Invoice	195.50
J Cornell Travelling costs	19.60

All Saints Church Weston Contribution to internet costs	125.00
D G Owen Purchase of Local Plan Documents	130.00
Thomson Planning Partnership Invoice	193.20

127. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –14th APRIL 2016

CHAIRMAN