

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
9th JUNE 2016

PRESENT	Councillor J Densem (Chairman) Councillor J Cornell (Vice-Chairman) Councillors, J Chamberlain J Chambers, S Edgar, L. Gill and T Gill
APOLOGIES	Councillors E Dickenson, T. Eatough, J Edwards and P Grant
IN ATTENDANCE	Councillors J Clowes and J. Hammond PC N Moore 4 Local Residents

18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

19. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12th MAY 2016

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

20. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) Spinney Drive Carriageway.

Councillor J Hammond reported that there had been an Engineer on site to investigate the cause of the problem and further trial holes would be excavated as necessary.

(b) Tipping at Mere Road.

Councillor S Edgar was pursuing this issues with Cheshire East Officers.

21. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Further to the attendance of Mr W Ashdown at the meeting held 14th April Members received a report on issues raised. (Minute 133 refers)

22. POLICE MATTERS

PC N Moore reported on matters affecting the Parish.

There had been 8 incidents of crime in the Parish in March and 1 report of antisocial behaviour. Whilst the number of crimes was unusually high this was due to several incidents being related and inflating the figure.

PC Moore had reported that he would be leaving the Constabulary at the end of July following 30 years' service and would attend his last Parish Council Meeting in June.

PC Kerrie Cummings had been appointed as the new Beat Officer for Haslington Ward with effect from 27th June 2016.

The Chairman and Members spoke of PC Moore's exceptional service to the Parish over the past 8 years and PC Moore thanked everyone for their co-operation and goodwill over that period.

The Chairman presented PC Moore with a retirement gift on behalf of the Parish Council and residents and wished him every success in the future.

23. WYBUNBURY UNITED CHARITIES TRUST

(a) Councillor J Cornell reported on the AGM which he had attended.

The Parish Council had 3 Trustees, Councillors J Cornell (Estate Trustee), J Densem and E Dickenson (Administrative Trustees). Discussions had taken place with the Head teacher of the school to ascertain whether any pupils would benefit from assistance from the Trust.

(b) Members considered the appointment of cheque signatories for the Trust

RESOLVED: That Councillors E Dickenson and J Densem be appointed as cheque signatories.

24. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Councillor J Hammond reported that Cheshire East Council had been reorganised into 3 service areas- People, Places and Corporate Services.

The tipping at Mere Road had been passed to the Legal Section with a request for urgent action.

The property at 11 Cemetery Road had benefitted from work to the exterior but discussions had taken place with the Officers with a view to the remaining works being carried out by Cheshire East Council and the costs being recovered from the owner.

Pre-application discussions were being held with the developer of a proposed land fill site at Casey Lane.

Councillor J Clowes pointed out that the proposals at Casey Lane could impact on the HS2 route and this would be raised with HS2 representatives.

A useful meeting had been held to consider traffic management proposals at Wychwood Village with a view to public consultations in the autumn.

Carers' Week was currently being held to publicise services available to older people and their carers. A considerable amount of work was already taking place in the Parish to assist with information about available services and IT tuition and assistance.

A free afternoon film show would begin in September.

25. PLANNING MATTERS/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN*

The Chairman of the Planning Committee reported on the formal consultation on the Local Plan.

There had been a good attendance at the recent drop-in sessions representing 10% of households. Thanks were expressed to all those who had assisted with the sessions.

The appeal by Gladman Developments into the refusal of permission to develop land at East Avenue was to be held by way of a Public Inquiry at Wychwood Hotel from 28th June and was scheduled to last 4 days.

A meeting to inform residents of the appeal process and their possible contribution had taken place and Councillor Hammond was thanked for his assistance.

Application 16/1987N Basford Old Creamery had been the subject of a site meeting and had been called in by Councillor J Clowes.

*NOTE – Councillor S Edgar left the meeting during this item taking no part in the discussion nor voting thereon.

26. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor S Edgar reported that the materials which had been tipped at Crotia Mill Lane would be removed shortly.

Councillor J Chamberlain reported that the hedges in Snape lane had been cut improving visibility for drivers.

The results of the HS2 Property Consultations were on the HS2 website

Councillor J Cornell reported that a visit to Chorlton Lane had indicated the level of noise which could be expected should viaducts be constructed to accommodate the HS2 line.

The representations prepared by Councillor Chamberlain had been submitted to HS2.

27. 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.

Lead had been stolen from the windows of a bungalow in Back Lane.

The new drain in Englesea Brook Lane was working efficiently.

In response to a question it was explained that the funds available for charitable purposes from the Wybunbury United Charity were from the interest accrued on monies left in trust for this purpose.

28. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:-

Mr D G Owen Salary 1 st to 31 st May Including office expenses, telephone, internet and Stationery	819.39
Mr D Williamson Lengthsman	139.50
Mr S Clough- Audit Fee	250.00
All Saints Church Weston-photocopying	24.00
Zurich Insurance	591.14
N Moore-retirement gift	250.00
J Densem- Misc. expenses	50.28

(b) Income

The Clerk reported receipt of £1000 from Weston Allotments Group in respect of rent.

29. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY 21ST JULY 2016

RESOLVED: That the meeting scheduled to be held on 14th July be rescheduled to a date to be agreed by the Chairman in consultation with the Clerk.

CHAIRMAN