

**WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**15<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017**

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

Councillors J Chamberlain, J Chambers, T Eatough, S Edgar, M Jones  
and A Kiddie

**APOLOGIES** Councillors J Edwards L Gill and T Gill

**IN ATTENDANCE** Councillors J Clowes and J. Hammond

**15. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

**16. CASUAL VACANCY-BASFORD WARD**

Further to Minute number 4 the casual vacancy in the Basford Ward had now been advertised and as there had been no request for an election the Parish Council was now able to fill the vacancy by co-option.

**RESOLVED:** That Mrs M Jones be co-opted to fill the vacancy.

The newly elected Councillor made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the Clerk to the Council and took her seat.

**17. MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of these meetings be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**18. MATTERS ARISING.**

Mere Road Tipping.

Cheshire East Council had appointed a contractor to clear all rubbish from the site and whilst a substantial quantity of rubbish had been removed the necessary work was not yet complete.

**19. POLICE MATTERS**

No report had been received.

Councillor J Cornell had attended a meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner and Deputy Chief Constable when it had been reported that 40 new PCSOs had been appointed.

Councillor S Edgar undertook to raise the question of attendance at meetings and regular Police reports at the Police and Crime Scrutiny Panel meeting.

## **20. PLANNING MATTERS/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Chairman of the Planning Committee reported on the following matters:-

### **(i) Neighbourhood Plan**

The Regulation 16 consultations would conclude on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

It was anticipated that a referendum would take place in the autumn.

### **(ii) Local Plan**

A response to the Minerals and Waste consultation had been prepared by the Parish Council's Planning Consultant and submitted.

The Inspector's response to the Local Plan was imminent and would be reported to the July meeting of Cheshire East Council.

### **(iii) HS2 Progress report.**

An offer of a further meeting with HS2 representatives had been received. This would be accepted and a Special Meeting of the Parish Council would be arranged.

### **(iv) ChALC Conference on Cheshire East Planning Update - Holmes Chapel 25th July**

The Parish Council would be represented by Councillors J Densem and A Kiddie.

### **(v) Planning Committee**

A meeting of the Planning Committee would be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2017 at 7pm

## **21. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS**

Councillor J Hammond reported that representatives of the Highways team at Cheshire East Council would be attending a future meeting of the Parish Council to discuss any highway issues and areas of concern.

The Consultation on bus services was continuing and details were available on the Cheshire East website.

Councillor J Clowes reported on a successful Wybunbury Neighbourhood Plan information stall at the Wybunbury Fig Pie Wakes.

Complaints continued to be received of noise nuisance from the former Basford Creamery site. The Clerk was asked to consult with Councillor J Chambers and the Clerk to Hough and Basford Parish Council and raise the matter formally with Cheshire East Council

Consultations on the proposed traffic orders for Wychwood Village were continuing and the Chairman and Councillor T Gill had attended a meeting with Highway Officers to consider the proposals.

The matter of travellers' caravans on land owned by Haddon Developments had been raised with the company by Cheshire East Council. Neither Cheshire East Council nor the Parish Council had powers to act in this matter as the land occupied was in private ownership.

## **22. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Councillor A Kiddie reported on survey work being carried out in the area of the site for the Cemetery extension.

Councillor J Chamberlain reported that the coping stones on the bridge at Englesea Brook Lane had not been replaced.

Councillor J Chambers reported on the noise nuisance from the former Basford Creamery. The dropping of steel beams, hammering and grinding had been heard and residents were being disturbed when using gardens and conservatories.

Councillor J Cornell had received reports of sewage on the carriageway at Cemetery Road/ East Avenue and a depression had appeared in the road.

Councillor T Eatough reported that the potholes in Mere Road had been dealt with very quickly once reported.

Councillor M Jones reported on the need for a dog/litter bin at Basford Bridge. Preparatory work adjacent to the cottages in Back Lane appeared to encroach on the grass verge. The Clerk undertook to bring this to the attention of the Highways Officers.

### **23. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

#### **(a) Authorisation of Payments**

**RESOLVED:** That the following payments be authorised:-

Mr D G Owen Salary May 2017 Including office expenses, telephone, internet and Stationery	891.53
Mr D Williamson – Lengthsman	180.00
Thomson Planning Partnership Work on behalf of ChALC on Local Plan	13.62
Cllr. J Densem –Chairman’s Allowance	650.00
Cllr. J Cornell-Vice Chairman’s Allowance	650.00
HMRC-Tax collected	550.20

#### **(b) Accounts 2016/2017**

**RESOLVED** (i) That the accounts for 2016/2017 be approved for submission to external audit

(ii) That the report of the Internal Auditor be received and approved.

(iii) That Mr S Clough be appointed to act as Internal Auditor.

### **24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017**

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**CHAIRMAN**