

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
9TH NOVEMBER 2017

PRESENT	Councillor J Densem (Chairman) Councillor J Cornell (Vice Chairman) Councillors J Chamberlain, J Chambers, S Edgar, J Edwards, T Gill, M Jones and A Kiddie
APOLOGIES	Councillors T Eatough and L Gill
IN ATTENDANCE	Councillors J Clowes and J. Hammond 4 local residents

53. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

54. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12TH OCTOBER 2017

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

55. MATTERS ARISING

An order for the repair and renovation of the benches at Basford and on the Playing Field had been placed.

56. POLICE MATTERS

There had been 1 incident of crime and 1 of antisocial behaviour in the Parish since the previous meeting.

57. PLANNING MATTERS/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman of the Planning Committee reported:-

(i) Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan which would be subject to a referendum to be held on Thursday 16th November 2017. If approved, the Plan would have immediate effect.

Flyers had been distributed to residents to alert them to the date of the referendum. Copies of the Plan had been printed and were available for inspection at strategic points throughout the Parish. Thanks were expressed to all those who had assisted with publicity.

(ii) HS2 Progress report.

The necessary legislation was currently passing through the Parliamentary process

(iii) Basford Old Creamery

Members referred to the noise emanating from these premises early in the morning. The Clerk had raised this issue with Cheshire East Enforcement Officers and a response had been received saying that following discussions with the operator an application to vary the current hours of operation had been received and was under consideration. The application promotes that certain specified operation can be commenced prior to 8am without causing unacceptable noise and disturbance to neighbours. This application was to be determined prior to further action being taken

(iv) Community Infrastructure Levy

The Parish Council's comments on the Community Infrastructure Levy had now been submitted and copies were circulated

58. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Councillor J Hammond reported on the HS2 consultations currently taking place. Works to the Crewe Green roundabout were underway and would result in lane closures after Christmas. Diversions would be arranged using Hungerford Road and Sydney Road with work scheduled for completion by the autumn.

Work to the Sydney Road Bridge which also would require traffic diversions was scheduled for November 2018.

Consultations on site allocations would take place in the New Year.

The Local Plan was now assisting in determining planning applications and the position would be further enhanced with the adoption of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The review of bus services had resulted in Sunday services on subsidised routes being withdrawn. The 6E service from Shavington via Crewe bus station to Leighton Hospital was still under consideration. The Little Bus service would not be subject to subsidy reduction or withdrawal until November 2018.

Councillor J Clowes reported on the progress with the Wybunbury combined Parishes Neighbourhood Plan and a request for its Steering Committee to meet with the Weston and Basford Steering Group to discuss strategic Green Gap.

Pre-budget consultations were currently taking place and Cheshire East Council would receive no Government subsidy by 2020.

59. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor J Edwards reported that no further information had been received regarding parking problems at Wychwood Village.

There had been an enquiry regarding the possibility of having Christmas lights in the trees at the Village Hall.

Residents had also sought clarification regarding the club house at the former Golf Club.

Councillor A Kiddie reported on the planter, originally sited beneath the Basford Notice Board, now sited in Englesea Brook. Councillor Kiddie kindly offered to make a second planter for Englesea Brook to enable the original planter to be returned to Basford. Members expressed their appreciation and hoped that these additions to the Parish would be enjoyed by both residents and visitors.

Councillor M Jones reported that the unemptied grey bins at Casey Lane had not yet been dealt with. This matter had been raised with Cheshire East Council and would be urged.

Councillor J Chambers reported that the street name signs in Millbeck Close were in poor condition and in need of replacement the web report was also submitted showing a substantial number of visits to the pages giving details of the Neighbourhood Plan and referendum

The Chairman reported that the Weston Christmas lights would be switched on from 1st December and that the Annual Remembrance Service would be held at All saints Church on Sunday 12th November. The Parish Council would be laying a wreath and a Member would be reading the lesson.

60. 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

It was reported that the one-way sign adjacent to the Church was not illuminated and that the old sign was obscuring the new one.

Concern was expressed that the gullies in Smithy Lane were too high and in need of clearing and possible relocation. Recent heavy rain had resulted in severe flood damage to a property making it unfit for habitation.

61. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:-

Mr D G Owen Salary October 2017 Including office expenses, telephone, internet and Stationery	815.27
Mr D Williamson – Lengthsman	166.50
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	75.00

62. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –14TH DECEMBER 2017

CHAIRMAN