

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
10TH JANUARY 2019

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

Councillors J Chamberlain, J Chambers, S Edgar, L Gill, T Gill,
A Kiddie and K Narey

APOLOGIES Councillors J Edwards and M Jones

IN ATTENDANCE Councillor J Clowes
PCSO L Berry
7 local residents

79. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

80. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 13th DECMEBER 2018

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

81. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) School bus issues-Wychwood Village

Councillor J Clowes reported that the public meeting referred to in Minute Number 59 had not yet been arranged. Funding for the proposed improvement works were available and designs were being prepared.

(b) Police Cluster Meeting

PCSO Berry was asked to speak to PCSO Jolley to request that that arrangements for a Cluster Meeting for the Haslington Borough Ward be made as soon as possible.

(c) Defibrillator

The Cabinet for the defibrillator had now been fitted to the wall of the Church Hall and the devise was available for use.

(e) Grit Bins

Cheshire East Council had been consulted and had indicated that its policy was to support Parish Councils in arranging for bulk supplies of grit salt to be delivered to a single location. Enquires would now be made to identify a suitable area for the grit salt to be delivered and stored and to arrange for existing bins to be filled and further bins to be purchased and sited.

82. SIGNAGE SNAPE LANE

Further to Minutes Number 58(c) and 71 it was reported that a site meeting with Highway Engineers had been requested. No reply had been received and a further urgent approach would be made.

83. POLICE MATTERS

PCSO Jolley was unable to attend and had sent her apologies.

PCSO L Berry reported on beat meetings that were to be held in the Parish and would inform his colleague of other issues raised.

84. PLANNING MATTERS

The Chairman of the Planning Committee reported that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group was preparing a leaflet for distribution setting out proposals to update the Plan. Consultation sessions would also be arranged.

85. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLOR

Councillor D Marren was unable to attend the meeting and had sent his apologies.

The Wybunbury Combined Parishes Neighbourhood Plan was nearing Regulation 14 and details were currently being considered by the individual Parish Councils.

The fire debris at Wychwood Village had not been removed and continued non-compliance would result in legal action however this would take some time to prepare and carry out.

Some of the lights at Wychwood Village were to be replaced with LED units

The former golf course was now being used for sheep grazing and concerns regarding the Public Rights of Way had been referred to the PROW Officer. Commercial dog walkers and other dog owners using the area must ensure that all dogs were kept on a lead to avoid sheep worrying. Permissive paths could be closed off by the landowner and it was noted that the path from Snape Lane to Wychwood Village had been closed.

Concerns were expressed regarding the lack of maintenance of the Country Park and the legal position on this was being examined. Photographs of the area had been sent to Cllr Clowes as supporting evidence to indicate its condition originally and at present. A senior officer from Cheshire East had now arranged to inspect the site and would be accompanied by a representative of the Parish Council. The Notice served under the Localism legislation (Community Right to Reclaim Land) had a further 14 months to run.

86. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor J Cornell reported on potential unauthorised works in the form of a new access and an unmetalled roadway capable of accommodating heavy vehicles which had been constructed adjacent to the Nissan Hut site at Snape Farm. A substantial amount of mud had been deposited on Snape Lane. Cheshire East would be asked to investigate as a matter of urgency and report back to the Parish Council. The Snape Farm development was now offered for sale.

An approach was to be made requesting that a plaque be placed in the area to record its history as a POW camp.

The Englesea Brook Chapel store was nearing completion and would have an eco-style roof. The Museum Director had been approached to consider additional screen planting to soften the development and had verbally agreed. This would be followed up.

Councillor S Edgar had reported motorcycles in Bluebell Wood to the Police. The A500 dualling had now received approval.

Councillor K Narey asked whether PCSO Jolley had been able to gain access to the data for the SID on Main Road.

Councillor J Chambers reported that storage units at the former Basford Creamery were being advertised for rent

The New Homes Bonus Scheme was considerably over subscribed and the result of applications was not yet known.

The 5-a-side pitch needed to be re-laid and this might be possible using a grant from HS2 funds. The web report was submitted.

The Chairman reported that Cemetery Road would be subject to works by United Utilities for 10 days from 14th January and during this time traffic lights would be in operation.

87. 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

Concerns were expressed regarding parking at Wychwood Village by dog walkers particularly in the area where the school bus needs to turn.

In answer to a question it was reported that proposals for a Road Traffic Order at Wychwood Village would not be re-advertised for 6 months.

Concerns were again raised regarding flooding on Main Road and the need to increase the height of the footpath. There were also concerns regarding the access to Snape Farm by developers' vehicles.

The parking of caravans at the rear of Cemetery Road had been referred to Cheshire East Council and would be brought to their attention again.

88. FINANCIAL MATTERS- Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:-

Mr D G Owen Salary December 2018 Including office expenses, telephone, internet	944.11
Mr D Williamson – Lengthsman	121.50
HMRC-Tax collected	739.86

Norris and Fisher- Wychwood Village Hall
Insurance 824.05

Source Handyman-fitting of defibrillator cabinet 103.50

89. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –14th FEBRUARY 2019

90. 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.

91. VOLUNTEERING

The Parish Council considered a presentation by Councillor K Narey setting out a draft scheme for encouraging and managing volunteers in the Parish.

CHAIRMAN