WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING HELD13th MARCH 2014

PRESENT Councillor J Densem (Chairman)

Councillor J Cornell (Vice Chairman)

Councillors J Chamberlain J Chambers, E Dickenson,

L Gill, T.Gill and M Jones

APOLOGIES Councillor T. Eatough

IN ATTENDANCE Councillor J Hammond, PC N Moore

144 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

145 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 13TH FEBRUARY 2014

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held 13th February 2014 be approved as a correct record subject to:-

The amendment of Minute Number 133 to refer to Wychwood Village.

The amendment of Minute Number 137 to read

Councillor T Gill reported that the new Superfast Broadband service should be available at Wychwood Village from the end of March 2014.

The amendment of Minute Number 135 to indicate that the Local Plan was to be considered by the Strategic Planning Board on 26 February prior to its submission to Full Council on 28 February.

The amendment of Minute Number 136

- (i) to indicate that the work in the garden and the front of 11 Cemetery Road was to be completed by the end of February with the remainder of the work to be completed by 2 April.
- (ii) to indicate that there had been over 200 reports of fallen trees across the road network

146 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 25TH FEBRUARY 2014

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

147 MATTERS ARISING

- (a) Further to Minute Number 137 letters had been sent to Haddon Properties regarding the maintenance of the former Golf Club and the establishment of a children's group which required the consent of the land-owners. No response had been received and the Clerk was asked to pursue these matters.
- (b) It was reported that the water in the pot hole at the entrance to Larch Farm had now subsided. The hole was off the carriageway and not part of the highway. A limited amount of repair work had been carried out to a broken edge to the carriageway on the Weston side of Basford Rail Bridge.

148 POLICE MATTERS

PC. N. Moore reported that there had been 2 incidents of crime in the Parish in February and 5 incidents of anti-social behaviour.

Problems with motorcycles at the former Golf Club were being dealt with.

149 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE EMERGENCY PLAN

Further to Minute Number 137 Councillor J Chambers reported that he had up-dated this document which would be issued to all those having responsibility for its implantation and Community Groups.

Laminated copies of the telephone tree would be produced for ease of reference. Councillor J Hammond asked whether the Parish Council would be agreeable to the Plan being used as a model for other Councils and this was agreed.

RESOLVED (a) That the Community Resilience Emergency Plan be approved.

(b) That Councillor J Chambers be thanked for his work in producing the document.

150 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) The Parish Council received, for information, the Minutes of the Planning Committee held 9th January and 13th February 2014

(b)Local Plan

The Chairman of the Planning Committee reported on his attendance at the Strategic Planning Board on 26th February 2014.

The Parish Council was one of only three Councils in the South of the Borough to speak at this meeting. An addendum to the Local Plan had been agreed which would ensure that all the options regarding the proposed linkage from Village A to Basford East would be taken into account prior to any decision being made.

Members expressed their appreciation of Councillor J Hammond's comments, as reported in the press, congratulating the Council on its work on the Local Plan.

(c) Proposed Employment of Consultants

Enquiries had been made with a view to engaging a suitable Consultant and a meeting was to be held shortly with a potential Consultant.

(e) The next stage

There was to be a Period of Representation on the Local Plan Strategy Submission Document from 14th March to 25th April. The next stage would be an Examination of the Plan in Public sometime during the summer.

151 WYBUNBURY UNITED CHARITY

RESOLVED: That Councillor J Cornell be appointed cheque signatory to this Charity

152 REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLOR

Councillor J Hammond reported that the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government Eric Pickles MP had written a personal letter to the leader of Cheshire East Council, praising the authority for its work on the Local Plan and urging developers to work with the Council.

The Borough Council had set its budget for 2014/2015 with no increase in the level of Council Tax.

With effect from April paper copies of Planning Applications would only be supplied to Parish Councils where the number of dwellings proposed exceeded 10. All other Applications would need to be viewed on line.

The Green Waste Collection service was to resume from 17th March.

Improvement works to 11 Cemetery Road had continued and the fence panels on the boundary with the Vicarage were possibly to be replaced by the Diocese.

No work had been carried out on the proposed footpath from the Bus Stop to Wychwood Village and this was to be raised with the Highways officers.

The Chairman reported that highways work had commenced in Whites Lane.

153 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor T Gill reported that a banner had been erected offering the Golf Club premises for short-term rental. Mr T Sandry undertook to investigate the situation and report back.

Councillor E Dickenson reported that a length of fencing was down in the vicinity of Brook House Farm. The Chairman undertook to inspect and deal with the matter.

Councillor M Jones reported that the Bus Shelter at Basford had not been renovated and it was agreed that a quotation be obtained and an order placed for the necessary work.

Councillor J Chambers reported on the number of visits to the web-site.

Councillor J Cornell reported that the Notice Board at Englesea Brook had been repaired and renovated.

154 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 regarding the on-going problems with parking and the School Bus at Wychwood Village particularly damage to verges caused by vehicles mounting the pavement.

A Neighbourhood Watch scheme was to be established at Wychwood and the Community Group was to hold its AGM on 27th April. Permission to display Notices of this event in Parish Council Notice Boards was requested and it was agreed that this was acceptable if space was available.

Representations had been made regarding the bus service to the Parish.

A quiz night had been arranged for 3rd April to raise funds to maintain the fabric of All Saints Church. Members were asked to consider forming a team of four to participate.

155 FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Payroll Services

RESOLVED: That CVS Cheshire East be invited to continue to provide payroll services for 2014/2015 and that their account be paid annually in advance

(b) Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:-

D G Owen Salary 1 st to 28 th February 2014 Stationery and Postage	536.30
D Williamson February Invoice	263.50
Councillor J Cornell –stationery/computer inks	53.97
Councillor J Chambers - paper	6.50
R J Shaw-Repairs Englesea Brook Notice Board	168.17

Cheshire Community Action- Fees to 31/3/2015
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50.00

CHAIRMAN

156 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS	
PARISH COUNCIL – 10 th APRIL 2014	
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 1 st MAY 2014	