

**WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD 9th APRIL 2015**

PRESENT

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

Councillors, J Chamberlain J Chambers, E Dickenson, J Edwards,
T.Eatough, L Gill, T Gill P Grant and M Jones.

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor J Clowes
Councillor J Hammond
4 Local Residents

132. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

133. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12TH MARCH 2015

RESOLVED That the Minutes of this meeting be approved as a correct record subject to the amendment of Minute Number 126 to read:-

‘Councillor J Hammond reported that work on the Basford West Spine Road would begin on 27th April with 2 way traffic lights in place in use for the first two weeks and full closure from 8th May.

A weight restriction would apply to the whole of Main Road, Whites Lane and Weston Lane and there would be letters sent to all affected households to alert them to the closure.
The work was expected to last for 10/12 weeks.

The Owner of land off Mere Road had until 1 May to clear the land and should this not happen formal action may be taken for an illegal waste site.’

134. MATTERS ARISING

The Laurel hedge at Cemetery Road/Whites Lane had now been cut.

Work being carried out at Casey Lane by Network Rail had also been completed.

135. PLANNING MATTERS

The Chairman of the Planning Committee reported:-

(a) 14/5671N Haddon Development

No appeal against non-determination was possible until the end of July. This application was likely to be reported to the Strategic Planning Board around that time.

(b) Spinney Drive

This was now awaiting the decision of the Planning Inspectorate.

(c) Basford East

Councillors John Cornell and John Densem had had a constructive meeting with Cheshire East Planning Officers on Basford East.

The Co-Op application for 490 dwellings would go to the Strategic Planning Board on 15th April with a recommendation for approval. The Parish Council would be addressing that meeting.

(d) Neighbourhood Plan.

The Chairman circulated notes of a meeting of the Steering Group. Discussions on the funding were on-going and the Bank Account had been opened.

(e) 15/1552N Land at East Avenue Weston

This application of outline permission for up to 99 dwellings would be considered by the Planning Committee on Monday 27th April at 7.00 at the White Lion Hotel.

136. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Councillor J Clowes reported that Planning Application 15/0556N Part of Basford Old Creamery, Newcastle Road Chorlton had been called in. Complaints of noise and environmental concerns were being investigated by Cheshire East officers.

The upgraded broadband provision was proceeding with the upgrade of Cabinet 7 expected by July/August.

Volunteers were sought for the Local Access Forum to look at Bridleways and footpaths.

Councillor J Hammond reported that Planning Application 15/1552N for development at East Avenue would go to Strategic Planning Board on 1st July 2015. The comment period had been extended to the 17th of May.

The missing CCTV sign at Snape Lane would be reported.

137. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor T Gill reported that construction work at Wychwood Village was nearing completion.

A new SID was in place and operational on Main Road although it may require minor adjustment. Members expressed their appreciation to Councillor J Hammond for his efforts in obtaining the equipment.

Councillor M Jones requested signage to warn drivers of the narrow carriageway at Holly Mount/Back Lane.

Councillor J Chamberlain reported on potholes in Snape Lane and the need for the trees on both sides of the road to be cut back.

Councillor J Clowes reported that additional funding would be available to improve the roads around Englesea Brook.

Councillor P Grant reported on work required on the drain at Cemetery Road/Piggins Bank, This was included in the Minor Highways programme.

Councillor J Chambers reported that work on the street lights as previously discussed was being carried out.

Councillor J Cornell reported that he had not received any further information following the on-site meeting to deal with issues on the Countryside Park

The problems of running water on the road by the Englesea Brook notice board, investigated by United Utilities and referred to Cheshire East Council, remained unresolved.

The Chairman reported that mud on the road reported to Cheshire East Council had been cleared although there had been further deposits caused by farm vehicles.

Councillor J Clowes reported that the construction of a footpath from the pavement to the bus stop was in the submitted bid and would be pursued.

138. 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.

The situation regarding transport and parking at Wychwood Village would be discussed at a meeting to be arranged following the May elections.

The dead tree and other items at Snape Lane had been removed.

A Local Access Point was to be established in the Church Hall to assist residents in accessing local services and an internet facility would be available.

139. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED That the following payments be authorised

D G Owen Salary 1st – 31 st March 2015	
Stationery and Postages	635.89
All Saints Church, Weston-Hall Hire	270.00
Thomson Planning Partnership	317.28
HMRC-Tax collected	483.00

(b) Income

The first half of the precept (£ 10,150) and Council Tax support grant (£298.00) had been received from Cheshire East Council

140. COUNCILLOR MAGGIE JONES

The Chairman and Members paid tribute and thanked Councillor Jones for her service to both this Council and other authorities over many years. Councillor Jones was not seeking re-election at the May 2015 elections.

141. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Annual Parish Meeting Thursday 23rd April 2015

May Parish Council Meeting (Annual Meeting) 21st May 2015

CHAIRMAN