

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
14th APRIL 2022

PRESENT Councillor J Densem (Chairman)

Councillors A Broome, J Chamberlain, J Chambers, J Cornell, S Edgar,
S Gladden and R Schafer

APOLOGIES Councillors E Franks and L Gill

IN ATTENDANCE 1 member of the public.

115. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

116. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 10TH MARCH 2022

RESOLVED: That the minutes of this meeting be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman subject to the amendment of Minute 108 to read: -

Councillor J Chambers raised queries on the current position regarding Resilience Plans which had been replaced by the Cheshire Emergency Response Manual.
The telephone tree would be updated and circulated to Members.

117. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) Englesea Brook Area – High Speed Broadband
Councillor J Chamberlain reported that at the end of March Openreach had installed a copper cable from Englesea Brook Lane to serve the new bungalows adjacent to Snape Hall. She was also trying to arrange a meeting with Openreach to discuss the way forward.

(b) Neighbourhood Watch Scheme
No progress had been made with this proposal.

118. POLICE MATTERS

It was reported that following a warning the previous week Police Officers had attended Wychwood Village and issued fixed penalty notices in respect of breaches of parking regulations.

119. PARISH COUNCIL BOUNDARY REVIEW

It was reported that following representation Cheshire East council would be recommended to call the new combined Parish Council 'Weston and Crewe Green Parish Council'.

The newly constituted Council was scheduled to be established from August 2023.

The Chairman of the Planning Committee stated that in view of the major Cheshire East Growth Village which was planned within the new boundaries a co-ordinated input from representatives of both current Councils was essential.

RESOLVED: That a formal approach be made to Crewe Green Parish Council inviting that Council to appoint a representative to join the Planning Committee on a non-voting basis.

120. PLANNING MATTERS

Since the last meeting the Parish Council had commented on the following application: -
22/1131N - 7 West Avenue, Weston -First floor dormer extensions to provide appropriate bedroom space for growing family and to create a new front entrance to the property.

(a) Neighbourhood Plan

A preliminary meeting had been held with AECOM who had been recommended to advise on design. The technical work would be carried out free of charge. An application was to be made to Locality for further funding.

The final decision on part 2 of the Cheshire East Local Plan (SADPD) was not expected until towards the end of the year. The policies in the Neighbourhood Plan must be compatible with the Local Plan. In this context the delay would not be significant.

It was expected that a public consultation would take place in late summer or early autumn.

(b) Lovell development

Councillor J Chambers reported that the noise from the warning signals from on-site machinery had now stopped.

The finance for the playing fields fence had been approved and the work was to be carried out shortly.

The suggestion of Cheshire East Council regarding a mixed use bin was approved.

121. RESILIENCE PLAN

Councillor J Chambers reported that the Cheshire East Emergency Planning Team was looking at the Plan prior to it being finalised for printing.

122. PLATINUM JUBILEE

Councillor S Edgar reported on plans being considered to mark the forthcoming Platinum Jubilee, 2nd to 5th June 2022.

Residents had requested additional tubs of flowers and it was proposed that paper flowers would be used to decorate lamp posts in the Parish.

RESOLVED: That additional flower tubs be purchased along with the necessary compost and plants to a maximum cost of £250.

123. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Councillor J Clowes reported on an opportunity to visit an HS2 tunnel site.

The public consultation on the changes made to part 2 of the Cheshire East Local Plan (SADPD) by an independent planning inspector would run from 19th April to 31st May 2022.

Legal advice was being obtained regarding maintenance responsibilities at Wychwood Village.

Legal action was being taken regarding the non-removal of the clubhouse base which was a breach of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

124. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor S Edgar reported that the Weston Weeders had been litter picking in the Parish.

Councillor S Gladden expressed concern that there had been no progress in the emptying of the bins on the former golf club site. As this was private land Cheshire East Council staff were not permitted to go onto the site.

Councillor J Cornell reported that large sheds were in place at the rear of the site of the former Nissan Huts in Snape Lane. He requested that Cheshire East investigate the planning position.

Councillor R Schafer reported that the bin on the A531 needed to be emptied.

125. OPEN FORUM-QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

In accordance with the Standing Orders members of the public are invited to ask questions or address the Parish Council

It was reported that Duchy tenants were being kept informed of progress towards the development of South Cheshire Growth Village.

The stile at Smithy Lane was in poor condition and this would be reported to the PROW Officer.

126. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) **RESOLVED:** That the following payments be approved: -

D G Owen- salary/expenses	1318.23
HMRC -Tax collected	391.77
M J Chambers – Inks	38.61
A Witter- Allotment Rent	1000.00

127. DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING 12TH MAY 2022.

128. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions 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.

129. WYCHWOOD VILLAGE HALL

The Chairman reported on the current situation regarding the management of the Hall and the need to recruit additional volunteers and a Treasurer.

This situation would be publicised as soon as possible.

CHAIRMAN