

WESTON AND BASFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
9TH FEBRUARY 2023

PRESENT Councillor J Densem (Chairman)

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

APOLOGIES Councillors J Chambers, E Franks, L Gill and A Kiddie

IN ATTENDANCE Councillor J Clowes
2 Members of the public

92. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare their interest in any item on the Agenda.

Councillor J Cornell declared an interest in planning application 22/4930N on which comments had been submitted under delegated authority.
He had taken no part in the member's deliberation of this application and the preparation of their comments.

93. WYCHWOOD VILLAGE HALL-INSURANCE

Councillor R Schafer expressed his concern that this item was recommended for discussion in private session.

94. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12th JANUARY 2023

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

95. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) Englesea Brook Area – High Speed Broadband

Councillor J Chamberlain reported that Openreach had submitted proposals to the Department of Culture, Media and Sport and approval was awaited.

(b) Weston School

Further to Minutes No 42 and 82 the joint event with the School had been most successful.

RESOLVED: That approval be given for the presentation of suitable trophy to the School to mark the end of the Parish Council. This would bear the name of the Parish Council and be awarded annually to mark the sporting achievement of a pupil or team.

96. PLANNING MATTERS

Since the last meeting the Parish Council had commented on the following applications:-

21/3526N - Engleside, Englesea Brook Lane, Englesea Brook. Renewal of Planning application 17/3117N for 2 detached houses.

22/4993N - 53 Cemetery Road Weston - single storey rear extension.

22/4942N - Sanctuary Housing Association: Poppy Close off East Ave. Deed of variation to Section 106 Agreement drawn up in Sept 2005.

22/4930N - Infill – land at Englesea Brook Lane, Weston

23/0072N Stowford Lodge, Old Park Road- Listed Building Consent for timber repairs to south facing gable to stem decay along with remedial works

Chairman of Planning Committee reported:-

(a) Neighbourhood Plan

There had been a good response to the recently circulated questionnaire and the results were being analysed.

(b) HS2a progress report

There had been a change of liaison staff dealing with HS2 Phase 2b and modifications to the plans in the south Manchester area.

There was to be consultation session at the Wychwood Hotel on 14th March from 2pm to 7pm.

97. WYCHWOOD VILLAGE HALL

Councillor R Schafer reported that there were no major issues at present.

98. POLICE MATTERS

The 2 Police reports had been circulated to members.

99. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Councillor J Clowes reported there was to be a meeting of the Council liaison group to discuss HS2 mid to late March.

The spoil removed during the tunnel construction would have to be moved forward for disposal to enable the work to be carried out.

There had been a good response to the consultation on the Cheshire East budget and the Council was in a very difficult financial position.

The lights had been repaired on the pedestrian refuge at Wychwood Village.

A request had been made for an estimate of the cost of a survey on proposed Road Traffic Orders at Wychwood Village.

Councillor S Edgar reported that there was to be a pre-application meeting regarding the proposed primary school at David Whitby Way.

Lovells were to be asked to provide a quotation to resurface the whole of East Avenue following the completion of development works.

Residents concerned about mud on the carriageway were advised to approach Cheshire East Council for assistance.

100. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor S Gladden asked about the refurbishment of the old notice board outside Wychwood Village Hall. This work was in hand.

There were complaints of damage to the fence around the former golf course and Councillor J Clowes was to investigate

Councillor J Cornell reported on the possible business use of farm buildings on Englesea Brook Lane. This would be brought to the attention of the Enforcement Officer.

The Chairman reported on the production and distribution of the Community News and expressed thanks to all concerned.

101. 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 at the speed of vehicles outside Crewe Hall where there had been 3 recent accidents. Councillor S Edgar was looking to see whether a speed limit and weight limit could be introduced.

It was suggested that the Parish Council could consider joining the Peak and Northern Footpaths Society which would be helpful regarding green spaces and walking routes.

The blocked gully outside 48 Main Road was still not attended to despite having been reported originally in 2019. Road sweeping had taken place but the gully repairs remained outstanding.

102. FINANCIAL MATTERS

RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved: -

D G Owen Salary/expenses	1341.89
HMRC -Tax collected	443.22
D G Owen-purchase of rock salt	261.90

Thomson Planning Partnerships	144.00
Johnsons Printers Community News	712.00

103. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 9th MARCH 2023.

104. 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.

105. WYCHWOOD VILLAGE HALL-INSURANCE

RESOLVED:

(a) That the balance of 86.94 be paid to Norris and Fisher to reflect the addition cost of increasing the Insurance cover.

(b) That the sum of £780 be recharged to the management Committee.

CHAIRMAN