

**WESTON AND CREWE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 09 OCTOBER 2025**

PRESENT:

Councillors: John Cornell (in the Chair), Anne Broome, Janet Chamberlain, John Chambers, Gillian Grocott, and Simon Lewis.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Borough Cllr Janet Clowes and two members of the public.

25/055 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Densem, Heler, Kiddie, Schafer, and Wilkinson.

The Clerk advised that Cllr Sanderson had resigned from the Parish Council, and the vacancy would be advertised in accordance with the appropriate legislation.

25/056 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

25/057 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

25/058 PLANNING MATTERS

1) Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Cornell advised that the Regulation 14 consultation had now expired. The comments received were being reviewed and, following any amendments, the plan would then be formally submitted to Cheshire East Council.

2) Onward/Lovell Liaison Group – Signallers Croft Development

Cllr Chambers provided feedback from the Liaison Group held regarding the Signallers Croft development on land to the east of David Whitby Way. Although there were 449 houses proposed for this development, Lovells had only been commissioned to undertake the first phase of 139 houses.

3) Taylor Wimpey Liaison Group

Work had commenced on the next phase of this 325-house development on land to the west of David Whitby Way.

4) Primary School

It was noted that Cheshire East Council's Children's and Families Committee had agreed to proceed through the necessary legislative steps for the provision of a school off David Whitby Way, with the aim for completion and opening in 2028.

5) Mews Development

Cllr Chambers referred to an incident, reported by a resident, whereby a contractor, Luddon Construction, had blocked Basford Footpath 1. The contractor had been unaware of the footpath route and following a visit by Cllrs Densem and Chambers agreed to reinstate the footpath in a safe way. Cllr Densem fed this back to the resident.

6) Application to extinguish footpaths Basford FP2 & Weston FP 17 (part)

No objection as the Council considered that there would be sufficient paths along adopted roads within the new development to allow the PROWs to be extinguished.

7) Planning Committee Decisions

App No	Application	Decision
25/2524N /HOUS	Installation of electric car charging point at Vicarage Cottage Narrow Lane, Crewe	No Objection
25/3779/ PRIOR-3Q	Prior approval for change of use from agricultural building to two dwellings at Jubilee Cottage Nurseries, Englesea Brook.	Objection – requires full application

25/059 VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

No update.

25/060 POLICE MATTERS

The Clerk provided details of the police incidents in the Wybunbury Beat area.

25/061 REPORTS OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Borough Cllr Clowes referred to the forthcoming meeting with Cheshire East officers regarding Wychwood Village Country Park. Cllr Clowes had emphasised the need for a public consultation exercise following this meeting.

25/062 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

There was a further discussion regarding concerns around Planning application 25/3779/PRIOR-3Q, to which the Parish Council had submitted an objection.

25/063 OPEN FORUM – QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Concern was expressed regarding speeding through Englesea Brook, particularly with traffic accessing the M6. The primary concern was lack of awareness of the speed limit, and it was suggested that repeater signs be implemented. It was suggested that consideration be given to the reinstatement of the Community Speed-watch Group. The Clerk was asked to liaise with Cheshire East Council and the police on these matters.

25/064 FINANCE REPORT

1) Payments

RESOLVED – to note the payments approved in accordance with Financial Regulations and Payment Schedule

Payee	Reason	Gross £	VAT £	Net £
Unity Trust	Fees	6.00		6.00
Shires	Payroll	138.60	23.10	115.50
PKF Littlejohn	External Audit	378.00	63.00	315.00
HMRC	PAYE Q2	3,597.05		3,597.05
Scottish Power	Electricity	445.63		445.63

RESOLVED – to approve the following payments:

Payee	Reason	Gross £	VAT £	Net £
Weston Village Playing Field	Replacement Equipment	34.95		34.95
Andrew Thomson	Neighbourhood Plan	72.00		72.00

2) Grant – Defibrillator, Englesea Brook

RESOLVED – that the sum of £1,500 be provided for the provision of a defibrillator to be placed at the Englesea Brook Museum, with the monies provided from the Defibrillator budget line.

3) Grant – Tree works, Crewe Green

With regards the request for £660 towards remedial works to a dead tree, further

information and a second quote would be requested.

25/065 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 13 November 2025 commencing at **7.00pm**.