

**WESTON AND CREWE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2025**

**PRESENT:**

Councillors: John Densem (Chair), Anne Broome, Janet Chamberlain, John Chambers, John Cornell, Gillian Grocott, Alison Heler, Annelene Kiddie, Simon Lewis and Chad Wilkinson.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Borough Cllr Janet Clowes.

**25/066 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None.

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

**25/067 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Cornell declared an interest in Planning Application 25/3803/FUL and took no part in the discussion thereon.

**25/068 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 09 October 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**25/069 PLANNING MATTERS**

1) Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Cornell advised that the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan was in its closing stages. The responses to the Regulation 14 consultation were being considered, and the Plan reviewed accordingly.

RESOLVED - that the Council submits the Neighbourhood Plan to Cheshire East Council in accordance with Regulation 15.

2) Newcastle-under-Lyme Local Plan

Following the Examination in Public, the inspector had published the proposed changes to the Plan. There were no changes proposed to the designation for the business park adjacent to the M6 J16, which was considered disappointing.

RESOLVED – that the response to the Modifications be delegated to the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

3) Local Transport Plan

Cheshire East Council had commenced a consultation on the revised Local Transport Plan.

RESOLVED – that the response to the consultation be delegated to the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

4) Primary School

Councillors received feedback from the exhibition on the new school, proposed for land off David Whitby Way, Basford.

5) Cheshire East Council – Town and Parish Council Conference

Cllr Cornell referred to the recent conference which provided an update on Devolution, the Local Plan and the transfer of assets and functions.

6) Planning Committee Decisions

<b>App No</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Decision</b>
25/3637/FUL &	Installation of photovoltaic solar panels to the rooftops at Crewe Hall	Objection

25/3925/LBC		
25/3803/FUL	Demolition of existing outbuildings and polytunnel and the construction of one bungalow with detached garage and associated landscaping at Jubilee Cottage, Snape Lane, Weston	Objection
25/3308/OUT	Outline planning application for residential development (Use Class C3) circa 320 dwellings and the demolition of existing buildings and structures. All matters are reserved on land at Land West Of The By-pass (A534) And South Of Bradeley Hall Road, Haslington	Objection
25/3772/VOC	Variation of condition 3 on approval 23/0539N on Land at Basford East, Basford	Objection
25/3788/HO US	Two storey side extension and associated internal alterations at Stable House, Narrow Lane, Crewe Green	No objection

**25/070 VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE**

No update. There was uncertainty regarding the effects of the departure from the area of Mr and Mrs Schafer.

**25/071 POLICE MATTERS**

The Clerk provided details of the police incidents in the Haslington and Wybunbury Beat areas.

**25/072 REPORTS OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS**

Borough Cllr Clowes referred to the outcome from the recent meeting with Cheshire East Council regarding the Wychwood Village Country Park. It was noted that the ecological report was imminent and then the maintenance agreement would be agreed.

With regards to Cheshire East Council, it was expected that there would be a further Call for Sites as part of the revision of the Local Plan, as the initial call did not provide the level of housing required as part of the revised housing allocation for Cheshire East.

Borough Cllr Heler referred to roadworks across the Parish Council area. Concern was expressed at the number of roadworks undertaken by United Utilities in Englesea Brook and the Clerk was asked to convey these concerns to United Utilities.

**25/073 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr Grocott reported flytipping on Casey Lane and Borough Cllr Heler agreed to report the blocked drains on Casey Lane.

Cllr Broome provided feedback from the recent Cheshire Association of Local Council AGM, held at Eaton Hall. It was noted that Cllr Cornell had been re-elected to the Executive Board. The meeting discussed the challenges of devolution, neighbourhood plan funding and planning in general.

Cllr Heler agreed to report the condition of the fence on Snape Lane.

With regards the Round Table Santa visits, he would be visiting Weston on 05 December, Basford on 10 December and Wychwood on 13 December.

Concern was expressed at the encroachment of hedges on Cemetery Road and the poor state of the grass verge outside the Church Hall. There was also concern regarding HGVs along Cemetery Road and flytipping along Mill Lane. Although it was suggested that Mill Lane could be restricted to traffic which would alleviate both of these issues.

**25/074 OPEN FORUM – QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

No members of the public were present.

**25/075 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
Mark Robinson	Salary and Office Allowance (Oct)	1,319.40		1,319.40

RESOLVED – to approve the following payments:

Payee	Reason	Gross £	VAT £	Net £
John Cornell	Planning Resource	625.00		625.00
XL Displays	Noticeboard	975.60		975.60
Mark Robinson	Zoom subscription	155.88	25.98	129.90
MJ Murphy	Community Garden	175.00		175.00
Andrew Thomson	Neighbourhood Plan	72.00		72.00
Weston Village Playing Field	Equipment Repairs	130.69		130.69
David Williamson	Lengthsman	1,292.00		1,292.00
All Saints Church PCC	Room Hire	346.00		346.00
John Cornell	Stationery	69.95		69.95

2) Grant – Tree works, Crewe Green

Although a further quote had been provided, Cllr Lewis agreed to liaise with the church representatives to action these works.

**25/076 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, 11 December 2025 commencing at **7.00pm**.