

WESTON AND CREWE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

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NOTICE OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Councillors are summoned to a meeting to be held on:

Date: **Thursday, 24 September 2026**

Time: **7.30PM**

Venue: Weston Church Hall



Clerk to the Parish Council

Members of the Parish Council

John Densem (Chairman), Janet Chamberlain, John Chambers, Adam Clubbe, John Cornell, Jim Gibson, Alison Heler, Simon Lewis, Annelene Watson, and Chad Wilkinson.

Cheshire East Ward Councillors

Janet Clowes (Wybunbury), Steve Edgar (Haslington) and Alison Heler (Haslington)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

if a member is present at a meeting of the authority, and they have a disclosable interest in any matter to be considered or being considered at the meeting, they should disclose the interest to the meeting and follow the Council's code of conduct. Whilst the Clerk can offer guidance on the Code of Conduct, it remains the responsibility of the Member to decide whether they have an interest in a particular item. To consider any requests for dispensations

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 09 July 2026

4. PLANNING MATTERS

The Chairman of the Planning Committee to update on

- i) Neighbourhood Plan
- ii) Cheshire East Local Plan - Scoping Consultation (see appendix)

- iii) Basford East Primary School
- iv) A500 Corridor Improvements Scheme
- v) Traffic Management Main Road Weston, Snape Lane and Slaughter Hill
- vi) Wimpey Liaison Group
- vii) Planning Update

1) Decisions by the Planning Committee

App No	Application	Decision
26/2877/17HS2	Application for agreement of a site restoration scheme required under Schedule 15 to the Act for the land back of land to the landowner on land To The East Of Shavington, Basford	No comment
26/3012/FUL	Increase to previously approved dayroom on Land off Cemetery Road, Weston	Objection
26/2484/HOUS	Single storey extension and alterations to existing dwelling at White Cottage, Englesea Brook Lane, Englesea Brook	No objection

2) Decisions by Cheshire East Council

App No	Application	Decision
26/0844/PIP	Permission in Principle for proposed 4 new detached houses with off road parking along with the widening of Slaughter Hill at CREWE COTTAGE Crewe Road, Haslington,	Refused (Open countryside)
26/1754/HOUS	Single storey extension to rear of dwelling and removal of existing conservatory at 11 Gorsty Hill Close, Balterley Heath	Approved
26/2487/CLPUD	Lawful Development Certificate for a single storey side extension at 54 Cemetery Road, Weston	Positive Certificate

5. VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

To receive an update.

6. POLICE MATTERS

To note the Beat report

7. CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

To receive reports from Cheshire East Ward Councillors

8. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Members are invited to report on any matters of interest to the Parish Council and to request items for inclusion on the next agenda.

9. OPEN FORUM – QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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

10. FINANCE REPORT

Payment and Income Schedule

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 08 October 2026.

**WESTON AND CREWE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 09 JULY 2026**

PRESENT:

Councillors: John Densem (Chairman), Janet Chamberlain, John Chambers, Adam Clubbe, John Cornell, Alison Heler, and Chad Wilkinson.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Borough Cllr Janet Clowes and one member of the public.

26/029 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Gibson, Lewis, and Watson.

26/030 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

26/031 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 June 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

26/032 PLANNING MATTERS

1) Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Cornell provided an update on the development of the Neighbourhood Plan. It was noted that Cheshire East Council proposed to accept the examiner's recommendations and make modifications to the Weston and Crewe Green Neighbourhood Plan, as set out in the examiner's report. Cheshire East Council also confirmed its intention to hold a referendum on the Weston and Crewe Green Neighbourhood Plan, as amended, within the Weston and Crewe Green neighbourhood area at the earliest possible opportunity.

Subject to confirmation, it was expected that the referendum would be held on Thursday 03 September 2026. Councillors discussed the best way to ensure that all residents received information regarding the referendum and suggested a combination of hand delivery and postal delivery.

26/033 WYCHWOOD COUNTRY PARK (WCP)

Borough Cllr Clowes provided an update on the WCP maintenance arrangements. There had been a very successful consultation event at the Village Hall with over 80 attendees, and a further event had been held prior to the Parish Council meeting. The most popular scheme was Option 3, which had also been the preference of the Parish Council.

It was expected that the final scheme would be submitted to the arbitrator in August, with a view to completing the legal documents by the end of the year.

26/034 VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The Chairman provided an update on the works undertaken over the past six months and referred to proposals for further improvements over the short to medium term.

26/035 POLICE MATTERS

Councillors reviewed the Beat report for the Wybunbury ward. The Clerk was asked to refer concerns regarding racing cars and motorcycles to the police.

26/036 REPORTS OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Borough Cllr Heler advised that a holding response had been received from the Highways Infrastructure Manager regarding site visits to Snape Lane and Slaughter Hill, and a full response was expected shortly.

Councillors discussed a caravan parked in a passing place on Snape Lane, which was causing concern to local residents. The Police had attended the site and would continue to monitor it. It was reported that the owners appeared to be homeless.

It was noted that a 50mph speed limit would be implemented in the vicinity of the Weston Gate Roundabout, which would also be signalised to accommodate the increase in traffic expected from the development of the Basford Employment Estate on David Whitby Way.

The following roadworks were proposed –

- 22/07/26 Newcastle Road opposite Gorsty Hill Cottage Replace damaged telegraph pole. 2-way traffic signals
- 20/07/26 – 31/07/26 Weston Road Drainage Surveys to be carried out. Lane closure 20.00 – 06.00
- 20/07/26 – 31/07/26 David Whitby Way Drainage Surveys to be carried out. Lane closure 20.00 – 06.00.

Borough Cllr Clowes advised that works were ongoing regarding the improvements to the Public Rights of Way in Wychwood Village and agreed to liaise with Cheshire East Officers regarding the repairs to the Snape Lane embankment.

26/037 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillors discussed the forthcoming changes to the refuse collection service and concern was expressed that, once every six weeks, all four bins would be emptied on the same day, which would have a particular impact on shared collection points. The Clerk was asked to convey these concerns to Cheshire East Council.

Cllr Wilkinson referred to the Council's policy regarding Councillors' email retention, and the Clerk would review the relevant policies and respond.

Councillors noted the concern expressed by some residents on the new development off David Whitby Way regarding the size and proximity of the warehouse development.

26/038 OPEN FORUM – QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

26/039 FINANCE REPORT

1) Payments

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

Payee	Reason	Gross £	VAT £	Net £
Unity Trust	Fees	7.00		7.00
Mark Robinson	Salary and Office Allowance	1,858.52		1,858.52
Scottish Power	Electricity	128.02	6.10	121.92
HMRC	PAYE Q1	3,467.71		3,467.71

RESOLVED – to approve the following payments:

Payee	Reason	Gross £	VAT £	Net £
Johnsons	Printing (Wychwood Village)	97.00		97.00
MJ Murphy	Community Garden	175.00		175.00
David Williamson	Lengthsman (June)	819.00		819.00

2) Finance Committee

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 19 June 2026 be noted.

26/040 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 10 September 2026, commencing at 7.30pm

New Cheshire East Local Plan – Scoping Consultation

Comments of Weston & Crewe Green Parish Council

The Parish Council's comments are set out below in relation to the broad issues raised under the respective consultation headings.

Creating a vision and objectives. Total synergy is required between this new Local Plan and the Spatial Development Strategy under preparation by the shadow Mayoral Authority for Cheshire East, West and Warrington. This is not referred to in the consultation, along with the plan making process and timescale.

Identifying and assessing sites.

Residential – the choice of sites must avoid the coalescence of existing communities along with the creation of urban sprawl and retain a meaningful separation to protect the character of existing settlements along with the quality of life of their residents.

The new Neighbourhood Plan for Weston & Crewe Green (awaiting Referendum early next month) has one of its cornerstones the protection of the individual communities which make up the plan area. A rolling forward of this plan post 2030 will retain this key objective.

Employment – particular attention needs to be paid to the provision of satisfactory access arrangements from new employment sites onto the primary road network to avoid the issues currently being experienced on the Basford East Strategic Site where heavy industrial traffic has to traverse through a new housing development off a single access point off the main road network.

Green Belt – an additional bullet point needs adding to 5.17: **the consideration of additional areas of Green Belt**

Strategic Green Gap – this needs to be re-assessed around the southern edge of Crewe and made much more meaningful and effective. It's currently being eroded by the approval of applications following Central Governments edict of more housing at any cost. This is resulting in the coalescence of existing settlements and is beginning to form a characterless extension of the built-up area of Crewe.

Settlement Hierarchy – new large housing allocations along with Local Service Centres must contain provision for adequate local services including small convenience shops and community facilities such as pubs and community halls etc...

This is sadly lacking in the new housing within the Weston & Crewe Green Parish and is resulting in unsustainable development, contrary to sound planning principles.

Housing – it's considered critical that a comprehensive up to date housing needs study is undertaken Borough wide.

We had one undertaken as part of the preparation of our new Neighbourhood Plan This illustrates a need to provide housing to cater specifically for an ageing population.

Housing Standards – the adequacy of off-street parking standards within new housing areas needs to be reviewed to ensure that resident's vehicles can be parked in easily accessible locations clear of the highway.

On-street residential parking is a major issue in relation to our parish in so far as new housing developments are concerned. This results in pavement parking creating issues for pedestrians and Emergency vehicles.

Adequate space needs to be provided within individual property curtilages to cater for domestic vehicles which are constantly increasing in size.

The impact of climate change is also a significant issue here in relation to the design buildings, use of materials and consumption of energy.

Transport and Infrastructure – thought needs to be given as to how a broad range of infrastructure can be provided to support local communities. This includes schools, health care facilities, community halls, local convenience shopping provision and pubs etc.

In so far as transport provision is concerned the plan needs to look at the wider infrastructure provision -: connectivity, with the Primary and National network, rail and airport hubs etc.

It is considered that the road infrastructure within our area is already overloaded resulting from new development and will struggle to accommodate additional large schemes without heavy infrastructure investment.

Local Plan Evidence Base – the Weston & Crewe Green Neighbourhood Plan currently awaiting referendum includes a current housing needs appraisal of the Plan Area, ecological studies, and a detailed design guide.

Additional Points –

- We would request that the CIL provisions are reviewed. The level of CIL monies to provide much wanted infrastructure and facilities, particularly in the south of the Borough. Also, the eligibility of CIL monies – only a very small area bordering Crewe is eligible within our patch.
- Finally, the preparation of new Neighbourhood Plans should be encouraged to support the Local Plan policies and strategies.

WESTON AND CREWE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

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ITEM 6 – POLICE MATTERS

WYBUNBURY WARD CRIME DATA FOR AUGUST 2026

01/08/26. Harassment: Elwood Green Hough.
03/08/26. Concern For Safety: Bridgemere, relates to social media posts.
03/08/26. ASB: Stock Lane Wybunbury, dog on a lead has bitten another dog walker.
04/08/26. Drugs: Wybunbury, warrant executed at a property, drugs found male arrested.
04/08/26. Violence/Harassment: Asphodel Road, relates to a neighbour dispute.
04/08/26. ASB: Main Road Wybunbury, a group of masked males riding through the village on E bikes.
04/08/26. Domestic Incident: Bridgemere.
05/08/26. Burglary Dwelling: Stock Lane Wybunbury, offenders have tried to gain entry via a downstairs window during the day, entry not gained.
05/08/26. Road Related Offence: Asphodel Road, reports of dangerous driving.
06/08/26. Complaints against Police: Wybunbury.
07/08/26. Domestic Incident: Shavington Park.
07/08/26. Suspicious Activity: Newcastle Road Chorlton, elderly caller has heard noises outside.
08/08/26. Concern For Safety: Bridgemere Lane, male dressed all in black with headphones walking in the road.
10/08/26. ASB: Marshfern Place Shavington Park, reports of vehicle driving in an anti-social manner.
11/08/26. ASB: Rushton Drive Hough, neighbour dispute relating to trees.
11/08/26. Road Related Offence: Asphodel Road, reports of a vehicle driving dangerously around the estate.
11/08/26. Breach Of Bail: Bridgemere Lane.
11/08/26. Suspicious Person: Cobbs Lane Hough, reports of a male walking on a public footpath totally naked.
12/08/26. Violence/Harassment: Wybunbury, relates to sale of a dog.
12/08/26. Missing Person: Weston, missing person was arrested.
13/08/26. Missing Person: Checkley lane, elderly person with dementia, found safe and well.
13/08/26. Violence/Harassment: Ellwood Green Hough, relates to a neighbour dispute
13/08/26. Missing Person: Newcastle Road Hough found safe and well.
14/08/26. Concern For Safety: Checkley lane, confused female found in the road, returned home safe and well.
14/08/26. Violence/Harassment: Ellwood Green Hough, relates to a neighbour dispute.
15/08/26. Domestic Incident: Shavington Park.
18/08/26. Missing Person Weston found safe and well.
18/08/26. Road Related Offence: London Road Bridgemere, reports of dangerous driving.
19/08/26. Harassment: Newcastle Road Hough, relates to social media.
20/08/26. Missing Person: Weston, found safe and well.
20/08/26. Missing Person: Bridgemere Lane Hunsterson, found safe and well.
21/08/26. Domestic Incident: Weston.
22/08/26. Theft: Bridgemere Garden Centre, theft of electric bike.
24/08/26. Concern For Safety: Hunsterson.

24/08/26. Highway Disruption: Chads Green Wybunbury, complaints about parking due to the roadworks and road closures.

24/08/26. Complaint Against Police: Weston.

24/08/26. Violence/Harassment: Asphodel Road, relates to neighbour issues.

25/08/26. Warrant: Hough.

25/08/26. Domestic Incident: Weston.

26/08/26. Road Related Offence: London Road Walgherton, reports of dangerous driving.

27/08/26. Domestic Incident: Weston.

27/08/26. Violence/Harassment: Asphodel Road, relates to neighbour issues.

27/08/26. Suspicious Activity: Sundew Road, reports of cannabis being used in wooded area.

28/08/26. Domestic Incident: Hough.

28/08/28. Complaint Against Police: Weston.

28/08/26. Complaint Against Police: Wybunbury.

28/08/26. Highway Disruption: Checkley Lane, tree blocking the road.

29/08/26. Theft of Motor Vehicle. Birchall Moss Lane Hatherton, white Ford Transit stolen from driveway.

29/08/26. Highway Disruption: Weston, male walking in the road dressed in black, difficult to see.

31/08/26. Suspicious Person: Stock Lane Wybunbury, intoxicated male knocking on residents door.