

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WISTASTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 16TH APRIL 2026 AT 7.00P.M.
AT WISTASTON MEMORIAL HALL

Present: Cllr J Moore (Chairman) Cllrs. R. Squirrell, D. Lucas, D. Millington,
 G. Roberts, E. Tatton and V. Shaw entered at 7.03pm, D. Houston, K. Garner and M.
 Simon

128 APOLOGIES Cllrs. Scarpa and Robinson and PCSO A Barrington

129 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 19th March 2026, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

130 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared

131 PLANNING MATTERS

The following item was **RESOLVED:**

(i) New Planning Applications

Planning views following consultation with Planning Subcommittee

26/1084/HOUS 87 Wistaston Green Road, Wistaston, Crewe CW2 8QY
 Replacement of a hipped roof and forming a gable to provide adequate space for a Loft conversion with front and rear flat roof dormers.

SUPPORT with **COMMENTS** consideration given to the adjoining property that it does not become too overlooked or affect any right to light.

26/0796/FUL Wistaston Memorial Hall, Church Lane, Wistaston, Crewe CW2 8ER
 Proposed new memorial hall and community centre with a separate new tennis club pavilion to replace existing memorial hall and tennis club building and the tennis clubs associated ancillary storage buildings. re-modelled car park with amended vehicle entry and exit points and new pavement facing boundary wall.

SUPPORT

26/0794/HOUS 2 Clare Drive, Wistaston, Crewe CW2 8ED
 Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension replacing existing garage and conservatory

SUPPORT

26/1208/HOUS 24a Rope Lane, Wistaston, Crewe CW2 6RD
 Rear, left hand side and front elevation extensions. demolition of existing garage and construction of new garage and garden store. alteration to existing private driveway from rope lane to form improved access, removal of front beech hedge and positional change to existing telegraph pole **SUPPORT**

**(i) The following planning decisions have been notified from Cheshire East Council
 None to report**

132 CLERK'S REPORT

i Pension Fund

Clerk requested approval to join Cheshire Pension Fund for clerk and park ranger.
Council **APPROVED** joining pension fund

ii Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

As part of Assertion 10 requirements clerk requested approval of the draft attached to the papers.
Council **APPROVED** the inclusion of the Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

iii Microsoft Office Renewal

Request to renew the Microsoft Office package
Council **APPROVED** the renewal

iv Grants to Voluntary/Other Bodies

Council **APPROVED** the payment of the grants via BACs to the organisations.

Wistaston Community Council – Fireworks (paid later in the year)	£850.00
Wistaston Community Council – Underwriting (2 payments of £1500)	£3000.00
St Mary's Church – Maintenance of the Churchyard (£1750 paid in Apr/Bal in Oct)	£3500.00
Royal British Legion Donation – Remembrance Day (Payment to made in Oct 2026)	£350.00
St Mary's Flagpole	£1,000
Wistaston Memorial Bowling Club – Mower Replacement and Hedge Cutting	£2,000
Wistaston Memorial Hall – Grant Funding Advisor and Reserve Fund	£2,000
Wistaston Scout Group – 2 Flags	£480
Wistaston Jubilee Tennis Club Replacement Court Surfaces	£1,500
Wistaston Conservation Group – Insurance & Tools	£1,000
Wistaston Sports and Leisure – Lighting for access road	£2,000
Total	£17,680.00

v Data Protection Fee Renewal

Clerk requested approval to renew the annual Data Protection payment
Council **APPROVED** the renewal

vi Financial Regulations

Clerk requested approval to amend the Financial Regulations to include the debit card obtained for purchases, council agreed as suggested to include the wording "any outgoing payments"
Council **APPROVED** the wording and alternation to the Financial Regulations

vii Street Light

Clerk obtained a revised quotation from Cheshire East for the replacement of a street light off Middlewich Road due to the period since the first quotation was received. Clerk to remind CE about where the street light is situated in a field next to the roadway.
Council **APPROVED** the revised quotation

The clerk's report was accepted by the council

133 FINANCE

RESOLVED: That the Schedule of Accounts for payment March 2026 totalling £2,922.41 and the receipts and payments statement have been **Approved**.

Finance Report and Accounts for year end 31st March 2026 **Approved**

Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26 **Approved**

134 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

The Environmental Report was received from Cllr. Tatton. The clerk confirmed that grass cutting commenced in April and that the park ranger confirmed that the condition of the paths is due to the bad weather and the taped put in place for safety. Cllr Lucas asked about the points noted and reference to rope swings, the clerk will arrange for this to be included. Cllr Tatton confirmed that no rope swings were seen during the inspection.

The meeting closed at 7.12pm