

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WISTASTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 21st MARCH 2024 AT 7.30 P.M.
AT WISTASTON MEMORIAL HALL

Present: Cllr. J. Moore (Chairman)
 Cllrs. D. Lucas, G. Roberts, R. Squirrell, D Houston, M Simon, J Robinson,
 D Millington

In Attendance Kerri Wilcox (Clerk)

109 APOLOGIES CE Cllr Coiley

110 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2024, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

111 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION / POLICE MATTERS / CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Cllr Simon reported that the road works are currently taking place again at Well's Green and she did request extra signage which was actioned, the roadworks are expected to be completed by week ending 22/03/2024. There has been no further information on the fatality on Crewe road but Cllr Simon and other Councillors are trying to get measures put in place to stop any further fatalities in the future. Cheshire East's tree proposal has received complaints from a lot of residents. Cllr Simon had been struggling with obtaining a garden waste disposal for the Bowling and Tennis Clubs as there is no online system yet set up to enable permits for local organisations. Cllr Moore read out a report to the Council from Cllr Alan Coiley.

112 Planning Matters

The following item was **RESOLVED**.

(i) **New Planning Applications**

Planning views following consultation with Planning Subcommittee.

23/4763N – Outline planning permission with all matters reserved for one dwelling – 490 Crewe Road – **No Comments**

23/0841N – Single storey side extension and replacement garage – Highwalls, Wistaston Park – **No Comments**

23/0700N – Rear single storey orangery with roof lanterns – 29 Rope Lane – **No Comments**

(ii) The following planning decisions have been notified from Cheshire East Council

23/3821N – Erection of a two storey side extension – Alvaston Nurseries – **Approved with conditions.**

24/0199N – Dormer to rear roof to create first floor bathroom: size internally is 3.24 sq meters constructed of timber frame consisting of 100 x 50mm timber to all sides and roof 100 x 100 corner posts full insulation cavity and 12.5mm plastic board and scrim internally. Externally 100mm deep plastic cladding fascia's and guttering. – 42 Kings Drive – **Approved with conditions**

24/0013N – Proposed extension to side of existing dwelling with additional porch extension to front of dwelling – 442 Crewe Road – **Approved with conditions.**

113 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman's report was received by the Council and accepted.

JTS vandalism – Some sapling trees have been damaged at Joey the Swan – Council **AGREED** that the Clerk was to get in touch with a senior member of Cheshire Police to ask about patrols to deter vandalism.

JTS flooding – The Chairman reported about some flooding on the pathways at Joey The Swan – Cllr Robert's agreed to take a look and discuss remedies with the Conservation Group.

114 CLERK'S REPORT

Memorial Tree requests - Council **APPROVED** four requests for memorial trees at Joey the Swan.

Virements – Council **APPROVED** the following virements :

Line 13 Contingency £1000 - £137 to line 6 insurances, £501 to line 15 administration and £362 to line 16 Wistaston in Bloom.

Line 4 Receipts other / cil to line 29 recreational grounds £1495

Line 5 Receipts Vat £245, £45 to line 16 Wistaston in Bloom and £200.00 to line 32 Environmental General.

D Day 80th Anniversary Flag – Council **APPROVED** the purchase of a D Day anniversary flag at a cost of £53.45 & Vat and delivery funded from line 12 community amenities.

Council **APPROVED** and additional item to the Clerk's report.

Council **APPROVED** the purchase of replacement noticeboard Perspex which had been vandalized on the Jacksons Corner bus stop noticeboard.

The Clerk's report was accepted.

115 FINANCE

RESOLVED: That the Schedule of Accounts for payment February 2024 totalling £2234.96 and the receipts and payments statement have been approved.

116 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

Cllr Squirrell reported that they are still waiting for the Builders to repair some damage that took place by one of their vehicles but the WSLA Chair was on the case. Cllr Moore said he will ring and chase the Solicitor with regards to the Cricket Club Lease and several other matters that are in their hands for the Parish Council.

Cllr Houston reported that it is the Memorial Hall's AGM on Thursday 30th March and she has purchased a copy of the Land Registry document. They have been received complaints with regards to not enough car parking so this is being looked at on the rebuild project. Cllr Houston informed Council about upcoming events at the Memorial Hall.

Cllr Moore reported that it was the first Wistaston Community Council meeting under the new Chair and there was a lot more people attending after the Council's recruitment drive. They had their first paperless meeting. They are also looking at reinventing themselves as they are not keen on the word 'Council' in the title. The community council had given the Bowling club a £500 grant. The fete is going ahead this year and they are hoping to still have the parade, they are currently looking into the option of employing an external company to undertake the marshalling but it has been referred to the Council's sub committee. Cllr Coiley had mentioned in his report that he has volunteered to be a marshall of the event. The Community Council's finances are looking better as they are receiving donations from the Co-op community fund whenever locals shop there. The Firewords costs have been agreed for later in the year and the deposit has been paid.

117 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

The Environmental Report from Cllr Roberts was received and accepted by the Council. Item 5 – The clerk will inform the farmer about the broken boundary fence, item 7 – The clerk will order a new swing seat, item 8 – The Clerk will write to the owners of the properties about their broken fence, item 10 – Cllr More will chase the Solicitor.

The meeting closed at 8.11 p.m.