

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WOOLSTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE WOOLSTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HUB, HALL ROAD, WOOLSTON ON 20 MARCH 2019

Present: Councillor D Nowell (Chairman)
Councillors: M Banner, M Creaghan, J Greenslade, MH Greenslade, A Hill, B Maher, M Pearce, S Rydzkowski, P Wright
Apologies for absence: Councillors D Hill, A McCarthy

C108 Code of Conduct – declarations of interest
Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

No declarations were made at the opening of the meeting.

C109 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were noted from Councillor D Hill due to ill-health and Councillor Mc Carthy who was recovering following treatment in hospital.

C110 Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved,
That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 February 2019 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

C111 Matters of report from previous minutes

No matters to report.

C112 Policing of Woolston – community liaison report

The Council received a report on the policing of Woolston as set out below and representatives of the police attended the meeting:

February 2019 - Monthly Parish report

Beat Sergeant PS Stuart Gibbard
Beat Manager PC Simon Dadswell
PCSO Bethan Roberts

Anti-Social Behaviour

13 Relate to ASB (9), environmental (2), personal (1), vehicle issues (1)

Burglary

3 Dwelling (1x attempt)

2 Other

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Criminal Damage

6 2x vehicle damage; 1x business (3 occurred same road/period)

Theft

0

Vehicle crime

0 Theft of vehicle

OTHER

<https://www.cheshire.police.uk/advice-and-support/home-safety-and-security/>

<https://www.cheshire.police.uk/advice-and-support/children-and-young-peoples-safety/>

<https://www.getsafeonline.org/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

ASB issues – Shops, park hotspot areas ongoing patrols. Continuing to follow up CCTV enquiries at various locations to identify any key individuals. Liaise with school (Kings provided assembly prior to half term which covered a range of topics)

Have your say on Risley police base move, survey closes midnight on 7 March 2019

<https://www.cheshire.police.uk/about-us/consultation/risley-consultation/>

Schools

Safer Internet Day – Inputs given Woolston CP, Woolston CE & St Peters RC Primary schools, Foxwood Community Special School

Wind in the Willows – children visited to introduce myself

Woolston CP – Reception Class visited for ‘People who help us’

Woolston Beavers – input given as part of safety badge

Parking – Austral Avenue – patrols will continue, spoken to some drivers regarding position on pavement for residents, not observed to be dangerous (residents can use the WBC reporting forms online regarding problems about yellow lines)

Surgery

Rixton & Woolston PCSO Surgery at Woolston Hub – 22 Feb 11:00, 26 Feb 18:00, 8 Mar 18:00, 14 Mar 11:00a

Members reported on recent incidents and PCSO Roberts reported that no information had been provided on these and enquiries would be made:

Resolved,

That the report be noted.

C113 Borough Council business

Borough Councillors Hill and Wright reported on matters under consideration by the Borough Council relating to the parish and on issues that the Borough Ward members had acted on for residents including. A written report had been received from Borough Councillor McCarthy:

- Borough Councillors McCarthy and Wright had met with members of the school staff, a parent representative and children at the Woolston Community Primary School, Hall Road where they had received a petition regarding the schoolchildren’s and their parents’ concerns on road safety along the roads that border the school. This included inconsiderate parking and speeding traffic. A photographer was present and took some photographs which it was hoped would be published. The Borough Ward Councillors would continue to work with the school on this matter.
- Councillor McCarthy had submitted a planning objection to the proposed Sainsbury’s Express store and “The Yard” business located at the top of New Cut Lane. The Yard wanted to extend their hours of business, which will have a major impact on residents in terms of noise and disturbance. Councillor McCarthy recorded his thanks to the Chairman, Councillor Nowell, for his assistance in locating this business.
- Councillors Hill and McCarthy had been seeking discussions with businesses accessed via Bridge Lane but to date none had engaged on this matter. Discussions were continuing with Borough Council officers on action to remedy the concerns expressed by residents.
- Councillor Wright reported on representations made by residents on the Sainsbury’s store application.

C114 Committee reports and recommendations

- Environment and Amenities Committee

Councillor MH Greenslade reported on matters considered at the meeting held on 20 March 2019:

Resolved,

That the recommendations be approved and the proceedings be noted.

- Finance and General Amenities Committee

Councillor Nowell reported on matters considered at the meeting held on 20 March 2019 and the Council gave consideration to the recommendations made:

Resolved,

That the recommendations be approved and the proceedings noted.

C115 Reports from members appointed to local bodies

The Council received reports from members who were appointed by the Council or other organisations on local bodies including:

New Cut Heritage and Ecology Trail Group – Councillor J Greenslade reported that the next meeting of the group was to be held on 25 March 2019. The Clerk reported on an offer received by the Council for the group to assist in the proposed event to mark the completion of the flood defence works carried out by the Environment Agency in Woolston and to celebrate the plaque sited at the Weir Lane viewing area dedicated to “Old Billy”. Members agreed that the offer be accepted.

Friends of Woolston Park – Councillor MH Greenslade reported on the work of the group and future events in Woolston Park with local groups and Friends of Woolston Park:

- Woolston Show plans continue.
- Community Fund Initiative grant for Young Friends of Woolston Park received and a number of items of gardening equipment and safety equipment purchased.
- Monthly volunteer days on 1st of month continue plus weekly Monday morning volunteer drop in sessions.
- Some pupils from Fox Wood school will be planting bulbs assisted by FOWP volunteers in the Park tomorrow (Thursday) and of course their teachers and carers.

Public Rights of Way Forum – The next meeting of the Forum was to be held on 14 April 2019. No further information on the appointment of a Public Rights of Way Officer.

Warrington Voluntary Action Conference – Councillor Nowell reported on his attendance at the conference.

C116 Correspondence – consultation and information

No business to report.

C117 Planning Applications and decisions

The Council gave consideration to the following planning applications submitted for comment by the Borough Council:

Application reference: 2019/34494

Location: MOSS END CROFT, BROOK LANE, WARRINGTON, WA3 6DT

Description of development : Full Planning - Proposed change of use of buildings (not including residential dwelling) and land to accommodate dog rescue

Application reference: 2019/34391

Location: 11, MANCHESTER ROAD, WOOLSTON, WARRINGTON, WA1 4AE

Description of development : Full Planning - Change of use of existing building from car sales and repairs (Sui-Generis Use Class) to retail (A1 Use Class) alongside facilitating building works to include; demolition of part of the existing building at rear and rebuilding of the rear section of the building, elevational changes including to shop front, installation of ATM, external plant compound, boundary treatment and changes to car park layout.

Application reference: 2019/34443

Location: The Yard, Top of New Cut Lane, Woolston, Warrington, WA1 4AG

Description of development : Variation of conditions - Proposed variation to condition 2 to allow opening of the premises between 7:00am - 7:00pm Monday to Friday, 7:30am - 1:00pm Saturdays, Sundays and Public holidays to remain the same following application A02/46471

Resolved,

That

1. objections be made to Applications 2019/34443 and 2019/34391;
2. it be noted that Application 2019/34494 was to be considered by the Rixton with Glazebrook Parish Council.

C118 Business raised by Members – Standards Committee

Councillor Nowell reported on the recent report issued making recommendations on changes to the standards regime for parish councillors.

C119 Payment of Accounts

Resolved,

That approval be given to the following payments:

Cheque No	Date expenditure incurred	Payee	VAT not recoverable	Amount	Purpose	S137
4408	20/3/19	LiveWire CIC	0.00	67.20	Butterfly room – weekly community event February 2019	Yes
4409	20/3/19	LiveWire CIC	0.00	33.60	Room hire 20 February 2019	
4410	20/3/19	British Telecommunications plc (Clerk)	0.00	114.84	Phone service 9481 March to May 2019	
4411	20/3/19	Employee 1	0.00	358.18	M12 March 2019	
4412	20/3/19	HM Revenue and Customs (Clerk)	0.00	268.60	PAYE Months 9-12	
4413	20/3/19	Office Outlet (Clerk)	0.00	58.55	Printing and stationery	
4414	20/3/19	InTouchNow	0.00	360.00	Website hosting, user licences and support 2019-20	

4415	20/3/19	Zurich Municipal	0.00	1274.80	Insurance renewal 2019-20	
4416	20/3/19	Warrington Borough Council	0.00	234.00	Supply of 3 set of lights for tree at Weir Lane	
4417	20/3/19	Warrington Borough Council	0.00	300.00	Installation and removal of Christmas lights at Weir Lane 2018	
4418	20/3/19	Water Plus Ltd (Clerk)	0.00	168.18	Allotment water supply 15 Nov 18 – 12 Feb 19	
4419	20/3/19	Battery Lane Allotment Association	0.00	27.98	Grant annual allotment competition 2018	Yes

Chairman.....