

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WOOLSTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE WOOLSTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HUB, HALL ROAD, WOOLSTON ON 5 SEPTEMBER 2018

Present: Councillor D Nowell (Chairman)
Councillors: M Banner, AJ Hill, J Greenslade, MH Greenslade,
M Pearce, S Rydzkowski

Apologies for absence: Councillors M Creaghan, D Hill, B Maher, A McCarthy,
P Wright

C46 Code of Conduct – declarations of interest
Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

No declarations were made at the opening of the meeting.

C47 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were noted from Councillors M Creaghan, D Hill, B Maher, A McCarthy and P Wright.

C48 Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved,
That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2018 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

C49 Matters of report from previous minutes

Councillor Nowell reported further to minute C36 11 July 2018 that a resident had made representations at the lack of repair or replacement by the Borough Council of the litter bin adjacent to the bus shelter at Dam Lane:

Resolved,
That Councillor McCarthy be asked to make further representations to the Borough Council on this matter.

C50 Neighbourhood Team

Barbara Parratt, Community Centre Marketing Manager and Nikki Attwood, Community Wellbeing Worker, attended the meeting to report on the work of the Neighbourhood Team in the East area of the Borough. The Team supported new groups and helped to start new groups; assistance could be given in the search for sources of funding if needed. The Team liaised and worked with parish councils on supporting events, for example, the Woolston Show. Groups seeking grant aid from the Borough Council were asked to contact their parish council before submitting an application. Councils were asked to give their views as well as determining any application for funding made direct.

The community coffee morning in the Butterfly Room supported by the parish council continued to attract more people. Publicity had been given through the issue of 200 leaflets, posters and a press release. Members of the group also helped in publicising the event. All who attended at present were Woolston residents and a volunteer was supported by the Team in organising the event and activities. Members of the group attended the meeting and spoke in support of the event and gave examples of the benefit resulting to those attending. It was reported that the Finance and General Committee had made a recommendation to the Council to

continue support until March 2019 to help it to become established. A further review of support into the next financial year would be held early in 2019.

Barbara Parratt reported on her role with the Neighbourhood Team and her wider role in community support. At present this included events marking the centenary of World War I. Blighty Clubs were being promoted across the Borough to promote community involvement and a Borough wide event was to be held in Bank Park on Remembrance Sunday. Members commented on the issues relating to public transport at an event to be held on a Sunday in the town centre. Information was given on the Borough Council's policy in considering requests for financial support from groups. In addition to having evidence of support from the local community a key factor was that a grant would help the group to become sustainable. Help was offered in completing the application form but the group was responsible for completing the form.

The Chairman thanked the officers for their presentation and looked forward to a continuing working relationship with the Neighbourhood Team.

C51 Policing of Woolston – community liaison report

The Council received reports on the policing of Woolston as set out below:

July 2018 - Monthly Parish report

Beat Sergeant PS Stuart Gibbard

Beat Manager PC Simon Dadswell

PCSO Bethan Roberts

Anti-Social Behaviour

10 Reports of ASB mainly related to youth issues, various locations – 6x Canal (other side of Woolston Eyes), 2x linked to a criminal damage incident

Burglary

0 Dwelling (no signs forced entry)

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Criminal Damage

6 5x Vehicle (3x Longbarn Lane – investigation/enquiries ongoing)

Theft

0

Vehicle crime

1 Theft of vehicle (2x vehicles same location)

3 Theft from vehicle – Number plate, tools

OTHER

Warrington BC Youth Services – Team continuing to work on Woolston Park weekend evenings, engaging with young people regarding broken glass/ASB concerns. Spoken with various different groups, none were causing ASB, all felt same concerns regarding broken glass around park and play areas.

Liased with Greater Manchester Police PCSOs regarding groups off-road motorbikes

<http://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk/public-safety/outdoor-safety/water-safety>

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

Schools

Woolston Community Primary – summer fayre

Working with Warrington BC parking enforcement officers

Kings Leadership Academy – liaising with school to arrange input relating to ASB issues, also liaised with our Youth Engagement Officer

All schools on ward area offered Cheshire Police link to internet/online safety advice for parents/guardians and water advice from Cheshire Fire & Rescue website following reports of young people jumping into Manchester Ship Canal. Press release issued by Corporate Communications

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

Surgery

Rixton & Woolston PCSO Surgery at Woolston Neighbourhood Hub – dates to be arranged

August 2018 - Monthly Parish report

Beat Sergeant PS Stuart Gibbard

Beat Manager PC Simon Dadswell

PCSO Bethan Roberts

Anti-Social Behaviour

10 Reports of ASB – 6x youth related issues, 1x County Fire request, 3x neighbour/environmental issues

Burglary

0 Dwelling (no signs forced entry)

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Criminal Damage

3 2 x vehicles, 1x equipment

Theft

0

Vehicle crime

2 Theft of vehicle (businesses, different locations)

0 Theft from vehicle

OTHER

Fires on Woolston Park & Woolston Grange Employment area– reports from County Fire regarding locations and will continue high visibility patrols whenever possible in key areas. Setting wheelie bins alight and aerosol cans which is incredibly dangerous for themselves and others.

<http://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk/public-safety/home-safety/wheelie-bin-fire-safety>

<http://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk/public-safety/outdoor-safety/water-safety>

<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/>

Schools

No report.

Surgery

Rixton & Woolston PCSO Surgery at Woolston Neighbourhood Hub – 21 September 18:00,
27 September 11:00

C52 Borough Council business

Borough Councillor Hill 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 number of issues had been reported regarding pot holes in roads and the maintenance of trees adjacent to the highway.

C53 Committee reports and recommendations

- **- Environment and Amenities Committee**

Councillor MH Greenslade reported on matters considered at the meeting held on 5 September 2018 and the Council gave consideration to the recommendations made:

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 5 September 2018 and the Council gave consideration to the recommendations made:

Resolved,

That the recommendations be approved and the proceedings be noted.

C54 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 on the meeting of the group held on 23 July 2018. Details were noted of work carried out in the area from New Cut Lane to Larkfield Avenue. Discussion had taken place on the terms of use and future management of the public area created by the Environment Agency at Weir Lane. The next meeting was to be held on 1 October 2018.

Friends of Woolston Park – Councillor MH Greenslade submitted a report on the work of the group:

- A lot of work has been carried out in the Park recently, including cutting back of shrubbery, especially to enable access for exhibitors to the Woolston Show; removal of graffiti and the regular, sadly routine clear up of glass, plastic bottles, cans and litter.
- There have also been several incidents of bonfires within the Park, as recorded in the Police report to Parish Council. Police patrols have been carried out within the Park
- Young Friends of Woolston Park applied for a Warrington Borough Council Community Initiative Fund grant. This was at first rejected, and then following discussions, was approved. £1250 was granted immediately, followed by another £1250 should the project achieve its aims in six months' time.
- The Woolston and District Show went extremely well, with a very good attendance, and there have been many favourable comments on the FOWP Facebook page, as well as comments on the day. Many thanks are due to the so-few volunteers who make this Show happen, including all the work beforehand, on the **LONG** day, and after the event. Also thanks to Birchwood Lions who looked after the Pipe Lane car park entrance.

The Council gave their congratulations to all those involved with the organisation of such a successful event for the community helped by the good weather. Members hoped that the group would be able to attract more volunteers to ensure that the event could continue.

Public Rights of Way Forum – Councillor Nowell reported on the meeting held on 9 August 2018. It was noted that consideration was being given to surfacing Path 25 from Battery Lane to Weir Lane. The Public Rights of Way Officer, John Thorp, had given the Forum notice of his retirement from the Council from November 2018 and a letter of appreciation had been sent from the Council for the service he had given to the parish over many years.

C55 Correspondence – consultation and information

- Consultation by the Borough Council on developments

The Clerk reported a letter from the Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director of Economic Regeneration, Growth and Environment further to the representations made by the Council at the lack of adequate consultation regarding recent proposed developments in the parish. The comments made in regard to the Borough Council's own planning applications had been noted and the Council was informed that the request to be included in pre-planning exercises would be brought to the attention of the relevant departments:

Resolved,
That the response be noted.

- Warrington East Phase 2 – project news and update

The Council noted details received from the Borough Council in Issues 4 and 5 August 2018 of the bulletins on road works being undertaken on Birchwood Way.

- Parish Council Liaison meeting

The Council noted details received from the Borough Council of the liaison meeting with parish councils in the Borough to be held on 1 October 2018.

- Warrington Borough Council – Local Plan update

The Council noted details received from the Borough Council on the delivery of the draft Local Plan which sets out the proposed approach to meeting the borough's future needs for homes, jobs and supporting infrastructure. This process had to take into consideration recent changes to planning rules, as well as updated population projections.

The Government had recently published the revised National Planning Policy Framework and the Office for National Statistics had released the latest population projections for Warrington. The Council needed to ensure that both of these were taken into account in the drafting of the plan.

It was anticipated by the Council that the draft Local Plan would be published by the end of 2018, prior to a round of public consultation early in 2019.

C56 Planning Applications and decisions

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

2018/33146 - 7 Tatton Court – full planning – proposed single storey extension on the existing front elevation of unit

2018/33178- 6 Kingsland Grange – advertisement – proposed 5 x fascia signs and 3 other signs

2018/33247 - 28 Kingsland Grange – full planning – change of use from B1,B2,BS8 to “sub generis” in order to allow the site to operate a permitted operation for the reprocessing of industrial discarded plastic materials (melting and palletising of plastic film).

2018/33352 - Woolston Recycling and Household Waste Centre, New Cut Lane – discharge of condition – application for approval of details reserved by Condition 1 (Commencement), Condition 3 (Tree Protection), Condition 4 (Nesting Birds) and Condition 5 (Commencement – further ecology survey) following Planning Approval 2018/32670.

Resolved,
That no representations or comments be made on the above applications.

C57 Business raised by Members

No matters to report.

C58 Payment of Accounts

Resolved,
That approval be given to the following payments:

Cheque No	Date expenditure incurred	Payee	VAT not recoverable	Amount	Purpose	S137
4358	17/8/18	Employee 1	0.00	358.38	Month 5 August 2018	
4359	17/8/18	Royal Mail (Clerk)	0.00	330.00	PO Box account 2018/19	
4360	17/8/18	Water Plus (Clerk)	0.00	158.43	Allotment site meter charge 14 May to 6 August 2018	
4361	5/9/18	British Telecommunications plc (Clerk)	0.00	150.16	9481 Phone service June 2018	
4362	5/9/18	Timpson (Clerk)	0.00	11.95	Hillock Lane amenity area keys	
4363	5/9/18	Wolseley (Clerk)	0.00	12.47	Water standpipe fittings allotment site	
4364	5/9/18	Holly Oak Tree Services Ltd	0.00	4800.00	Hillock Lane Amenity area tree maintenance	
4365	5/9/18	Holly Oak Tree Services Ltd	0.00	2100.00	Martinscroft Green tree maintenance – £1000 of earmarked reserves	
4366	5/9/18	Live Wire CIC	0.00	33.60	Room hire June 2018	
4367	5/9/18	LiveWire CIC	0.00	67.20	Butterfly room hire – tea room July 2018	Yes
4368	5/9/18	Office Outlet (Clerk)	0.00	89.59	Printing and stationery	
4369	5/9/18	LiveWire CIC	0.00	33.60	Room hire July 2018	
DD	5/9/18	British Telecommunications plc	0.00	45.00	4828 Broadband service July 2018	

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