

**WYBUNBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD 14th MARCH 2016**

PRESENT	Councillor T Lightfoot (Chairman) Councillors S Brownell, M A Cooke, P Jackson, J Mahon, R Masser and M Pike
APOLOGIES	Councillors R Ellison-Jones and S Howcroft
IN ATTENDANCE	Councillor J Clowes 3 Local Residents

156. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare their interest in any item on the Agenda.
No declarations were made.

157. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 8TH FEBRUARY 2016

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held 8th February 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

158. OPEN FORUM-QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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

Concerns were again expressed at the poor condition of the road surface and street lights out in Stock Lane. These matters had again been reported to Cheshire East Council.

The finger post at the Cemetery Gates was in need of cleaning and the Clerk would ask the Lengthsman to attend to this.

The oak gates were in need of a further treatment with Tung Oil.

The footpath at the rear of the Swan PH was dangerous when wet and in need of levelling. This matter would be raised with the Public Rights of Way Officer.

The fence at Church Way had been demolished when footpath works were carried out.

RESOLVED: That the missing panel be replaced at the Parish Council's expense.

Concern was expressed at the low water pressure in the area and the Clerk was asked to raise this with United Utilities.

Mr A Yeomans had offered to donate a memorial seat which he would like to be sited on the pathway alongside the Playing Fields. This would be discussed with Cheshire East Council and the seat would be included in the Parish Council's Assets List and insured.

A link between the Facebook page and the Parish website was to be established.

159. MATTERS ARISING

(a) Land to the West of Wybunbury Moss

The Chairman and Councillor P Jackson reported that there had been no progress on this matter.

(b) Notice Boards

The new Notice Boards had been ordered and would be in place shortly.

(c) Annions Lane

The condition of Annions Lane had been raised with Cheshire East Council and members considered whether S106 monies might be available to fund drainage works and new kerbs. Councillor J Clowes undertook to investigate and report back.

(d) New Christmas tree

This had been ordered and delivery was awaited.

160. SALLY CLARKES LANE-FLOODING / CHANGE OF PLAN

The Clerk reported on a letter from the Environment Agency regarding representations following the refusal of a permit to allow the installation of Gabion Boxes. An assurance had been received that once the requested information had been submitted the application would be dealt with at no further charge.

The Chairman reported on a meeting he had held with the Agency to ascertain their requirements.

161. VILLAGE HALL REPORT/PROVISION OF WIFI

The Chairman reported that Open Reach had installed the telephone line to enable Wi-Fi to be made available in the Hall.

The access to the system was controlled and required users to accept the terms and conditions to ensure that the provision of Wi-Fi was not abused.

Additional electrical sockets had been fitted and the purchase of suitable projection equipment was being investigated.

Councillor M Pike reported that grant aid was being sought to facilitate work to the disabled toilet in the Hall and that an Architect was preparing plans.

162. HIGHWAYS GROUP REPORT (SID)

Councillor J Mahon reported on the SID readings with vehicles being recorded travelling in excess of 60mph at certain times.

The 40mph speed limit on Wybunbury Lane and Haymoor Green Road was now in force.

Councillor P Jackson reported that the School Governors had expressed support for the 20mph speed limit on Bridge Street and had requested support for this to be extended to Back Lane in the direction of the Boars Head PH.

Councillor J Clowes referred to the efforts of residents to have parking restrictions in the vicinity of the Back Lane junction to prevent parking particularly at School drop-off times.

RESOLVED: (a) That PC N Jervis and the Cheshire East Highway Safety Officer be invited to the next meeting to consider possible action to combat the speed issues.

(b) That the School Governors be supported in their efforts to improve safety in the vicinity of the School.

163. PLANNING MATTERS

Councillor P Jackson reported on the following Planning applications:-

(a) 16/0673D 38, STOCK LANE, SHAVINGTON, CREWE, CHESHIRE, CW2 5ED
Discharge of conditions 5 & 7 on application 15/5065N

RESOLVED: That no objection be raised.

(b) 16/1049N9, HOWBECK CRESCENT, WYBUNBURY, CW5 7NX
Prior approval of single storey rear extension extending 7.5m beyond the rear wall, maximum height of 3.9m and eaves height of 2.3m

RESOLVED: That no objection be raised subject to there being no loss of light to the rear of 7 Howbeck Crescent.

164. ChALC – LOCAL PLAN GREEN GAP REPRESENTATIONS

Members considered a letter from ChALC seeking support for a strong Green Gap Policy to be included in the Local Plan.

RESOLVED: That the response to the letter from ChALC inviting Councils to put forward arguments supporting a strong Green Gap policy be prepared by the Councillor P Jackson in consultation with the Clerk.

165. PLAYING FIELDS CAR PARK

The Chairman reported on a meeting with Cheshire East Officers to discuss the very poor condition of this area which was in need of resurfacing.

It was felt that elephant rails should be installed 2 feet from the drive with no change in the position of the gate posts.

The cost of resurfacing, including the roadway, base coat and top, was estimated to be £14000 which may attract a grant from WREN.

166. FIG PIE WAKES- Saturday 11TH June 2016

Further to minute No 151 the Parish Council considered a request for financial assistance with this event.

It was proposed to purchase a new marquee which would be available for use for subsequent events, remaining in the ownership of the Tower Trust which would arrange and fund the necessary insurance.

RESOLVED: That a marquee, to be specified by the Tower Trust, be purchased and presented to the Trust subject to a financial contribution by them resulting in a net contribution by the Parish Council of £250.

167. WW 1 GROUP UPDATE

Work was being carried out on the design of a new Memorial and details of alternative designs would be on display at the Fig Pie Wakes to enable residents to vote for their preferred design.

There would be a book presentation on 1st July 2016 to coincide with the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of the Somme.

168. DOG FOULING

Members reported on a number of complaints of dog fouling in the Parish.

The Clerk was asked to obtain signs and stencil equipment to be used to alert dog walkers to the legal requirement to prevent dog fouling. The matter was also to feature on the website.

169. REPORT OF CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLOR

Councillor Janet Clowes reported that Planning Application 16/0014N (Rose Cottage Stock Lane) would be determined by the Southern Planning Committee.

A meeting with representatives of HS2 had been held and a consultation was to be held to consider the environmental impact of the proposals. The Parish Council's representatives would be the Chairman and Councillor P Jackson.

The road safety issues around the Boars Head junction were being reviewed in light of the Coroner's findings and a plan for budgeting was being prepared.

170. FINANCIAL MATTERS

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:-

D G Owen Salary February 2016	348.68
R Bate Gardening Services	100.00
Cheshire Community Action-Entry Fee Community Pride Competition	50.00

Cllr T Lightfoot – replacement battery SID	39.99
Cllr J Mahon-SID equipment	22.99
ChALC-Training costs	90.00

171. DATE OF NEXT MEETING -11th APRIL 2016

CHAIRMAN