



# WHITEGATE AND MARTON PARISH COUNCIL



**August 2022**

Your Parish Council met at Whitegate Primary School Hall for our ordinary parish council on Monday 8th August 2022. All members of the parish council were in attendance except for the Clerk. No members of the public attended.

**The Beeches Crossroads** – sale of the Beeches to the Parish Council is proceeding and we hope to be able to provide more details soon.

**Planning**—the following applications were discussed:

22/01876/FUL Land Rear of St Mary's Church Whitegate Road for erection of 1.5 storey double garage and workshop with office accommodation above with rear balcony, to replace existing double garage The Parish Council object to this application on the grounds of visual impact due to the height of the proposed building. Whilst we welcome the removal of the existing dilapidated timber structure the construction of a 1.5 storey structure will negatively impact the conservation area at the centre of Whitegate. Due to the close proximity of St Mary's Church and Mews the character of the area would be adversely affected by the proposed construction. A single storey construction is likely to be less visually impactful.

22/02523/FUL Abbots Moss Wood Tarporley Road Oakmere for Installation of 4 glamping units, recycling/waste station, service hut/store, parking/turning area, upgrading of associated access track, installation of landscaping and drainage treatment plant with associated soakaway and groundworks. The Parish Council have no objections to this application. The development borders the Whitegate Way on the northern side and we recommend that the property is well screened to maintain the rural nature of this leisure facility.

*For full details of our comments please refer to the minutes available on our website, or under comments posted on the Cheshire West and Chester planning portal. Members of the public can make their own representation to any application on the planning portal.*

Planning approvals—none

Planning rejection—none

Plans withdraw— none

**Road Safety** – We have been informed of two minor accidents within the parish both on the route we are currently trying to reduce the speed limits for. The parish council and ward councillors have agreed to jointly funding the speed-limit reduction to 50mph on Whitegate Lane, this has been requested for Highways to implement but will take some time to action. We are aware that letters have not yet been sent to residents as part of the A54 speed reduction process, our Ward Councillor is liaising with Highways regarding the matter. The speed monitoring data for Sutton Field has been received and is under the current limit, no further action will be taken.

**United Utilities** – proposed project to update the waste water treatment works in Whitegate and Marton. We are advised that the planning application is on hold.

**Vicarage Green (school safe drop off)** - the project remains on hold until a viable solution can be found to gain access to the site.

**Home watch**—The position of home watch co-ordinator still remains vacant, if you are interested, please get in touch with us.

CWAC 'Report it' - we continue to report numerous defects within our parish and across the borough (including litter, fly-tipping, verges, footpaths, potholes and so on... The more reports they receive the better. Please help by also reporting them yourselves. CWAC have an online reporting tool which can be found here: [Report it \(cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk\)](https://cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/report-it)

**Community Donations** - *Whitegate and Marton Parish Council would like to invite community groups within the parish to apply for donations. Please send any requests to the parish clerk by 30th September. Requests will be considered at our October parish council meeting.*

**Advance dates for your diary**— Parish Council meetings 12<sup>th</sup> September, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 14<sup>th</sup> November, 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Remember that your Parish Council is on Twitter, Next Door and Facebook, this is the quickest and easiest way we can keep you up to date on matters within our parish, or visit our website <https://www.whitegatemarton-parishcouncil.org.uk/>

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