



# WHITEGATE AND MARTON PARISH COUNCIL



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## FEBRUARY 2023

Your Parish Council met at Whitegate Primary School Hall for our ordinary parish council on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Six members of the Parish Council were in attendance and Ward Councillor Baynham. One member of the public attended.

**The Beeches Crossroads** – We are liaising with CWAC Highways to establish public liability for this land which was purchased last year by the Parish Council.

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

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| 23/00015/TPO | Badgers Wood Dalefords Lane Marton  | Removal of all Rhododendron Ponticum and Cherry Laurel within ancient woodland Badger Wood, part of the Petty Pool woodland complex. | The PC recommend that this application is decided by the CWAC Tree Officer as the Parish Council is not qualified to comment.  |
| 22/04547/FUL | Monks Well Cottage Vale Royal Drive | Installation of ground mounted stand-alone solar array for microgeneration                                                           | No objection                                                                                                                   |
| 22/04532/FUL | Hunters Retreat                     | A steel framed equestrian storage building, along with an arena for the exercising of horses.                                        | Whitegate and Marton Parish Council strongly object to the application.                                                        |
| 23/00152/FUL | 23 St Marys Drive                   | Single storey rear extensions                                                                                                        | No objection                                                                                                                   |
| 23/00153/FUL | Hunters retreat                     | Change of use of building from holiday lodge to permanent dwelling                                                                   | Whitegate & Marton Parish Council objects to the application, non-compliance with the Neighbourhood Plan Policy 1 and Strat 9. |

*As some of our objections are detailed responses, 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 received confirmation that the A54 and Whitegate Lane speed limit reduction are awaiting implementation by Highways. We will be delivering some more wheelie bin stickers for your bins. We feel this is an effective way to remind drivers of the speed limit in your area. Please help us by displaying them on your bins.

**United Utilities** – United Utilities are considering a couple of newly available treatment technologies for use at the Whitegate site they are awaiting the process experts to conclude if the new technology can work on the Whitegate Waste Water treatment 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://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/report-it)

**Advance dates for your diary**— Parish Council meetings, 13<sup>th</sup> March, 17<sup>th</sup> April\*, 15<sup>th</sup> May\* \*different date. Our annual Parish Council Assembly meeting will take place on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April in the school hall.

**Elections** – Town and Parish Council will also have elections in May 2023, official notices will be published in March. If you would like to find out more about becoming a Parish Councillor, please contact the clerk (details below) or attend one of our meetings.

Polling station voter identification – this applies to local and general elections, the Government are introducing a new voter identification process, if you do not have one of the forms of identification included in the link below you will need to apply for a voter id. Please click on this link for more information [Voter Identification - FAQs - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/voter-identification-faqs)

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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