



Your Parish Council met at Whitegate Primary School Hall for our ordinary parish council on Monday 8th July 2024. Seven members of the Parish Council were in attendance, and eleven members of the public attended.

Residents attended again to voice continued concerns regarding school parking problems. Resident also attended regarding ongoing planning breach of 2 barns and their use as large holiday lets, and another resident attended regarding concern of soil blocking drains on their land and risk of flooding due to agricultural vehicles carrying waste from The Paddocks septic tank churning up the verge.

Planning—the following applications were discussed:

24/01728/CAT Delamere Sutton Field Whitegate Winsford CW8 2BD x 4 Pine trees - cut down and remove stumps.

24/01819/TPO Guest Cottage 1 Vale Royal Courtyard Vale Royal Drive Broad-leaved Lime (T1001) - Reduce height of tree by 7m. Re-prune lower W crown back to previous pruning points, remove any decayed wood from ends of limbs by cutting back to sound wood. Reduce remaining limbs on W / SW side by similar amount by cutting back to suitable growth points. Remove deadwood 2.5cm diameter. Broad-leaved Lime (T1002) - Remove deadwood 2.5cm diameter.

24/01856/CAT Whitegate Church of England Primary School "Tree pruning works to various trees including removal as detailed in the appended Arboricultural Method Statement" – For all three applications relating to tree works the Parish Council does not have the expertise to comment and we defer to the recommendation of the CWAC Tree Officer.

Road Safety – Residents attended to raise concerns about parking and traffic problems around the school vicinity (mounting pavements, obstruction driveways) particularly as a result of increased numbers on roll. A meeting took place with representatives of the Parish Council, local residents, Headteacher, and PCSO a number of concerns were raised, and a list of actions prepared. Due to the recent works commenced at school to replace a mobile classroom, there were some additional concerns discussed around the access to the site whilst the works are ongoing.

A reminder, to raise the profile of our defect roads and footpaths we need your help to report them, the more reports the better chance we have of them being repaired. We know how frustrating it is to have one pothole repaired whilst another just along the road is not! Highways or Public Rights of Way (PROW) defects should be reported using CWAC online reporting tool which can be found here: [Report it \(cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk\)](https://cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/report-it). The Parish Council has purchased a new finger post to replace the one damaged on Beauty Bank, this will be installed soon.

We are publishing a special newsletter alongside this summary about safer roads in our parish, and we need your help to target three priorities in the parish. Please help us by doing your bit.

Don't forget an alternative option to calling 101 is going online, often this will save waiting on the telephone and your call can be appropriately triage to the correct department responsible efficiently. Here is the link to 'single online home'

[Report | Cheshire Constabulary.](https://cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/report-it)

Advance dates for your diary— Our next ordinary meeting is Monday 12th August at 7.30pm at Whitegate Primary School Hall, all welcome.

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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