



WHITEGATE AND MARTON PARISH COUNCIL



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March 2025

Your Parish Council met at Whitegate Primary School Hall for our ordinary parish council on Monday 10th March 2025. Five members of the Parish Council were in attendance, and seven members of the public attended and Ward Councillor Stuart Bingham.

Planning—the following applications were discussed:

25/00481/TPO 23A Vale Royal Drive Whitegate for 1x Beech -crown lifting by approximately 3ft and crown reduction of 5 to 10ft. The Parish Council does not have the expertise to comment, and we defer to the recommendation of the CWAC Tree Officer.

25/00336/FUL Land At Holly Arch View Nova Scotia Lane for Storage Building for Agricultural Equipment & Machinery with Covered Maintenance Area (Private Use). The Parish Council has no objection to the installation of an equestrian building (not agricultural). However, we note the height at 7.3 meter is high and seems to be a large building for the relative size of the acreage.

Broadband and mobile connectivity – We have been liaising with the CWAC Digital Sector Specialist regarding connectivity issues in the parish, who has agreed to attend our May meeting.

Road Safety – A number of temporary road closures (TRO's) have been received recently for various defects within the parish. We publish them on social media to keep residents informed. We continue to regularly report defects to the local authority, and request the support of our ward councillors on occasions with matters of particular concern. We have asked our ward councillor to follow up again on previously reported street lights not working on Cinder Hill. Unfortunately the parish council is only one voice and we urge you to report defects directly yourselves. **A reminder, you can report road defects, public rights of way, grass cutting, fly-tipping and other matters directly with the local council using their online reporting tool which can be found here: [Report it \(cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk\)](https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/)** . Residents of Grange Lane are exploring the introduction of roadside buddies to remind drivers not to drive on the pavements

Annual litter pick – a huge hoard was collected on Sunday 9th March, a huge thank you to everyone who helped, especially our two young volunteers. There were two lots of fly-tipping reported as it was too much for us to collect as part of our litter pick. We have asked CWAC to undertake a litter pick along Whitegate Lane as that is not permissible for volunteers to complete. Unfortunately, CWAC confirm they do not have budget to undertake a road closure for health and safety reasons to conduct a litter pick at this location at the moment.

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](#). Forthcoming Policy Surgeries at Whitegate café - Wednesday 26th March 2025 between 11:00 and 12:00 hours; Wednesday 29th April 2025 between 11:00 and 12:00 hours; Thursday 22nd May 2025 between 11:00 and 12:00 hours

Advance dates for your diary

- Our ordinary meeting is Monday 14th April at 7.30pm at Whitegate Primary School Hall, all welcome.
- Annual village meeting will be held on Thursday 24th April 7.30pm – 8.30pm at Whitegate Primary School Hall. Find out what is happening in your parish and updates from local community groups, PC/PCSO.

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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