



WHITEGATE AND MARTON PARISH COUNCIL



<https://www.whitegatemarton-parishcouncil.org.uk/>

November 2025

Your Parish Council met at Whitegate Primary School Hall for our ordinary parish council on Monday 10th November 2025. Six members of the Parish Council were in attendance and three members of the public including ward councillor Gina Lewis.

Planning - the following applications were discussed:

25/03027/FUL Paddock House Foxwist Green for change of use of holiday let accommodation to residential dwelling (C3) Whitegate & Marton Parish Council object to this application as it does not comply with Local Plan STRAT 9 or the adopted W&M Neighbourhood Plan requirements for development in rural areas. The application does not comply with the conditions granted in the original application no 17/00714/FUL which permits use as holiday lets and shall not be occupied as a persons sole or main place of residence. This was granted to ensure a satisfactory standard of control over occupation given the location of the site and the relationship to the main dwelling on the site.

We currently have no updates on planning enforcement / appeals but will make enquires to check their status.

Road Safety – we have asked our Ward Councillor to arrange a meeting with the Head of Highways, we are disappointed and frustrated at the lack of progress of outstanding actions in our village. The Wig Wag signs are not flashing at the correct times for the safety of school children; the 20 mph speed limit outside the school has not been implemented and the road surface on Cinder Hill is unacceptable. The Chair and Vice-chair attended recent meetings where similar concerns were raised by lots of other parish councils. We continue to report road defects, overhanging hedges to the council. **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/).**

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://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/). Forthcoming Policy Surgeries at Whitegate café –dates published on our website and social media.

Climate action – We have received some advice on suggestions for planting wildflower in the village, and are looking at options at a couple of locations. We are also looking to plant trees as part of our annual tree planting programme. The Recreation Room is also exploring solar power options and we are looking to acquire an infra-red camera for residents to loan in the parish to assist them to identify how to make their property warmer.

Public Footpaths – parish representatives meet regularly with the Public Rights of Way (PROW) officer and representative from Mid Cheshire Footpath Society, with over 70 footpaths in the parish we have an action log and are slowly making improvements to our footpaths. Our action log is displayed on our website, please let us know if you have identified any matters we could add to the list. We are very grateful to the PROW officer for her time and efforts.

Advance dates for your diary

- Our ordinary meeting is Monday 8th December at 7.30pm at Whitegate Primary School Hall, all welcome.
- Churchwood fundraiser on St Marys Drive Saturday 13th December at 5pm, there will be a selection of refreshments available to purchase as part of their fundraising activities, they ask that we extend the invitation to everyone!

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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Our annual lights switch on
Saturday 6th December at 5.15pm on
Church Green.
All welcome to join us for carol singing and
refreshments.