

Minutes of the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting

Held on Saturday 20th May 2023 at 6.00pm at Water Orton Primary School Hall.

In attendance: 21 electors

Guests: Matt Glover & Cameron Cashmore (BBV Community Engagement Team)

The Chair of the Parish Council, Cllr Steve Stuart was present and therefore chaired the meeting in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12, Part III, 17 (1)

Minutes taken by Ms K Clover, Clerk to Water Orton Parish Council.

- 1. Apologies for absence** – Carter Jonas / Warwickshire Property Development Ltd, Warwickshire Police
- 2. Chairman's welcome**
- 3. Minutes of the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting held on 30th April 2022** – The minutes from the previous Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting held on 30th April 2022 were approved.



Item 3 - Minutes of the Annual Assembly

- 4. Matters arising from the previous minutes** - None

Guest speakers & presentations:

- 5. Water Orton Heritage and Culture society**

A representative spoke about the societies efforts to extend the Conservation Area in Water Orton to include the village green and the old primary school site. They had also been working to implement Tree Protection Orders within Water Orton and NWBC had advised 50% of these were due to be approved shortly. The Parish Council had been approached regarding helping the society to progress the remaining Tree Preservation Orders with NWBC. The representative also expressed concerns regarding utility movements on Attleboro Lane, of both the telegraph pole and a streetlight, a query had been sent to County Councillor Watson regarding this matter but no response had been received, the Parish Council had been approached regarding chasing a response from County Councillor Watson on this. Residents were concerned that utility movements were potentially due to the prospective development at the Old School Site and a suggested access route on Attleboro Lane which a group of residents planned to object to and were concerned at the action taken as no planning application or permissions are yet in place.

Water Orton Heritage and Culture Society would welcome further engagement with the Parish Council to help with their aims for the village it was suggested the Parish Council may consider either:

- Appointing a Parish Council representative
- Forming a working group made up of Council members and members of the Water Orton Heritage and Culture Society
- Forming a working partnership with mutually agreed parameters.

The Parish Meeting expressed a positive consensus that the Parish Council should be asked to consider the above proposal from the Heritage & Culture Society. It was noted that the protection and preservation of green spaces were of particular importance to the Parish Meeting.

6. HS2 (BBV) Community Engagement Team

Matt Glover and Cameron Cashmore of BBV's Community Engagement Team gave a presentation to the Parish Meeting



Item 6 - HS2 (BBV)
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Questions from Electors:

Will someone be maintaining the traffic lights on Gilson as residents have discovered both sets of lights on red?

BBV advised that lights would be monitored and that any lights malfunctioning can be reported to the HS2 helpdesk.

Can an emergency number be put on signage near to the traffic lights if possible?

BBV would look into whether this was possible and understood it would help drivers / passengers to report matters promptly and to the correct organisation.

Can priority be residents and workers travelling and not the BBV / HS2 Construction Vehicles? Residents have found that the lights change quickly for construction vehicles entering and exiting the site but meanwhile general traffic face further delays. Residents also expressed concerns about driver safety standards, and several had witnessed HS2 / BBV vehicles pulling out of junctions dangerously.

BBV want to work with the community and avoid unnecessary delays. For M42 reduced lanes / overnight closures and weekend closures BBV & HS2 had been working closely with National Highways to minimise disruption. Issues relating to traffic lights (due to HS2 construction work) and driving standards for constructors can be reported to the HS2 helpdesk.

A representative of Water Orton Community Action Group advised that HS2 / BBV had provided some volunteers via their community scheme and carried out some foliage clearance on the village car park and had done an excellent job.

Query relating to HS2 tunnel updates

BBV would refer query to HS2 as they just follow the instructions set by HS2 and are not involved in the planning stages, they will ask HS2 to respond to the Parish Council directly via the Clerk.

Electors expressed disappointment that HS2 representatives were not present at the meeting.

Query relating to how many HS2 sites were in and around Water Orton, 4 or 5 were suggested and residents felt surrounded by the project.

BBV advised there were several sites however these are predominantly to the south side of the village.

How many stations do HS2 / BBV have monitoring the air quality & pollution in Water Orton?

BBV advised there were currently two stations and a third was due to be installed soon and they have an air quality specialist. Air quality reports are publicly available:
[Monitoring the environmental effects of HS2: 2023 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2-2023)

Baseline national figures were available via DEFRA [Emissions of air pollutants in the UK - Summary - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/emissions-of-air-pollutants-in-the-uk)

Concerns were expressed that HS2 may be carrying out construction work that they are not entitled to as news reports had suggested nothing would be happening north of Birmingham and work is still being carried out in Water Orton (which is north of Birmingham)

BBV confirmed that Phase 2 work is currently paused, however the work being carried out in Water Orton is part of Phase 1. They will seek further guidance from HS2 on this matter.

The Parish Meeting agreed that a public forum with HS2 representatives would be welcomed.

It was agreed by the Parish Meeting to switch the order of the agenda so that Air Pollution could be the next item for discussion.

7. Air Pollution / Air Quality Campaign – Judith Cleaver (Water Orton Community Action Group)

I HAVE HAD 3 SEVERE UPPER RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS IN THE LAST 7 MONTHS AND HAD TO HAVE STEROIDS. HAVING ASTHMA IT IS A VERY FRIGHTENING PROBLEM HAVING TROUBLE BREATHING. THE LAST INFECTION LEFT ME WITH NO PROPER VOICE FOR 3 WEEKS (SOME MIGHT SAY GREAT). MY DR SAID SHE THOUGHT IT WAS AIR PROBLEMS, SO I TOLD HER ABOUT THE DECIMATION OF THE VILLAGE BY HS2 AND TERRIBLE CONDITION OF THE ROADS, THE DUST THAT IS ALL OVER THE ROADS THAT ARE GOING INTO MY LUNGS, SO I THOUGHT I WOULD CHECK THE VILLAGE VIA FACEBOOK IF

ANYONE ELSE HAD THE SAME PROBLEMS. I WAS CONTACTED BY A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE HAVING THE SAME PROBLEMS, SOME HAD NEVER HAD BREATHING PROBLEMS BEFORE HS2 RUINED THE VILLAGE.

WE HAD A MEETING AT THE RUGBY CLUB, ARRANGED BY DAVID REILLY, AND A LOT MORE PEOPLE CAME AND TOLD US OF THEIR PROBLEMS.

SO WITH THE HELP OF STEVE STUART (PARISH COUNCILER), BEFORE THE ELECTIONS, SET UP A SURVEY TO SEE IF THIS WOULD HELP OUR CASE. OVER 100 PEOPLE COMMENTED ON THIS.

I HAVE COMPLAINED TO NWBC AND BBV (SENDING LOADS PHOTOS OF THE ROADS TO BBV AROUND HERE), NWBC REPLIED USING A REPLY FROM BBV, WHICH I CALL A NON REPLY AS BBV DENIED THAT THEY DIDN'T CLEAN THE ROADS AND THAT THEY MONITORED THE AIR AND ITS OK!!!!. I DID NOT GET A DIRECT REPLY FROM BBV! I HAVE SENT LOADS OF PHOTOS BACK TO NWBC OF THE ROADS. I AWAIT THIER REPLY

WE NEED A SURVEY OF THE PARTICULANTS IN THE AIR IN WATER ORTON AS IT'S NOT A COINCIDENCE THAT SO MANY PEPELE ARE ILL. DAVID REILLY AND STEVE STUART ARE INVOLVED IN HELPING WITH THIS ISSUE.

I ACTUALLY WENT TO THE COTSWOLDS FOR 2 DAYS AND MY BREATHING WAS SO MUCH BETTER, AS SOON AS I CAME BACK - IT WAS CRAP AGAIN. I AM SICK OF COUGHING.

IF ANYONE HAS ANY INFORMATION THAT WILL HELP US PLEASE FILL IN THE SURVEY IF YOU HAVN'T ALREADY.

It was noted that the roads and gutters in Water Orton were generally orange due to construction dust.

The Parish Meeting were asked to consider requesting that the Parish Council ask the Parish Council representative of the North Warwickshire Special Management Zone (SMZ) group to raise the issues with air pollution and the associated respiratory problems with the group, and to feedback any response from HS2 on this issue.

The Parish Meeting agreed to ask the Parish Council representatives on the North Warwickshire SMZ (Special Management Zone) Group to raise this issue with HS2.

I would like the Parish Council to consider procuring an independent surveyor to measure air pollution levels in Water Orton.

I know the cost of these surveys are very high so could I recommend that the Council that they first look into what information is already available from other organisations tasked with measuring air pollution such as NWBC & HS2 - & indeed to see whether the SMZ group have ever commissioned any independent surveys on this themselves. Importantly if we can see that air pollution is an issue, what the village require is adequate mitigation measures from those causing the pollution! So again, we may need to ask the SMZ Group what measures HS2 have committed to putting in place to reduce these issues and are they actually putting these measures in place?

The cost of procuring an independent surveyor may be prohibitive, the meeting felt that initially the Parish Council may wish to work with the information that is already publicly available and consider checking whether the SMZ Group have already commissioned any additional reports and whether they could help in seeing whether adequate measures are in place and check that they are being monitored effectively.

Steve Stuart gave the following presentation on the results of the Health Survey conducted since April 2023. This had been done in conjunction with the Rugby Club and Borough Councillor Reilly.



health survey
slides.pdf

An elector queries if there is any national base data for the survey as Covid could be a factor in respiratory issues and has this question been raised as part of the survey?

It was also suggested that the time of year means issues could relate to other allergies or indoor air pollution due to less ventilation in modern homes. Even with air monitoring the causation can be difficult to prove.

Representative felt dust monitors and local information required, currently the village don't have the density of monitoring that they should. A meeting was held at the Rugby Club regarding the health survey and this was advertised via the Water Orton Village Facebook group. An elector also mentioned that the 'I love Water Orton' facebook group would be happy to advertise such meetings and surveys.

An elector asked where else the meeting and survey were advertised, they felt that communication for meetings and survey needed to be done in a wider variety of ways than the Facebook groups alone due to many residents not using this form of social media.

The representatives from BBV asked for residents to contact HS2 via the helpdesk if they believe that their health issues are being exacerbated by construction work.

8. Speedwatch – Judith Cleaver

HI, MY NAME IS JUDITH CLEAVER AND I AM THE WATER ORTON SPEEDWATCH CO-ORDINATOR ALONG WITH MARION BEVAN AND TONY MERRICK.

WE HAVE BEEN ACTIVE FOR A FEW YEARS ON SITES THAT HAVE BEEN RISK ASSESSED BY WARWKS POLICE. THERE ARE SPECIFIC SITES THAT CANNOT BE USED FOR SEVERAL REASONS, THREE OF WHICH ARE: BEING NEAR A BUS STOP, NEAR A DROP DRIVE, AND IN A 30 PLUS SPEED LIMIT.

THESE ARE FOR SAFETY REASONS

WHEN THE ACCIDENT ALONG BIRMINGHAM ROAD HAPPENED, WE DECIDED TO USE THAT SITE ON OUR NEXT 2 VISITS. ON THE LAST 3 OCCASIONS WE HAVE BEEN AT THIS SITE WE HAVE IDENTIFIED 54 MOTORISTS IN TOTAL BREAKING THE SPEED LIMIT AND 48MPH WAS THE HIGHEST SPEED. (WE NOTE OVER 35MPH). ONE A BUS AND ONE BBV VAN.

WE HAVE DONE SEVERAL DIFFERENT TIMES BUT FROM 1.30 AT THE MOMENT SEEMS TO BE A VERY GOOD TIME AS THE WORKERS GOING AND FROM WORK FOR 2 OCLOCK SEEM TO BE THE WORST SPEEDERS.

I SEND THE SHEETS WE COLLATE (REG NO AND MODEL AND MAKE CAR AND SPEED) TO THE POLICE, WHO THEN SEND LETTERS TO THE OFFENDER, IF THEY ARE CAUGHT MORE THAN ONCE THEY GET A FINE.

WE WOULD WELCOME ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US AS WE HEAR LOTS OF COMPLAINTS ABOUT SPEEDING SO HELP TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

THANK YOU

County Councillor Watson has advised the Parish Council that he will be funding a speed survey in Water Orton from his delegated funds.

Electors suggested temporary speed cameras as an effective deterrent as well as 30mph reminder signs throughout the village which are a relatively low-cost measure to implement. County Councillor Watson was currently working towards Water Orton having a Speed Indicator Device/s or speed cameras due to the persistent issues.

In Watton Lane, where speed reduced from 60mph to 30mph, the Speedwatch group had caught 24 people within 90 minutes. A good time to witness speeding was the early morning commuters, around 6:30am. Speedwatch require 3 volunteers to do checking and they have rules around where they are able to be on the highway and it must be light for the safety of the volunteers participating. Some electors expressed interest in participating further with the Speedwatch group.

The Chair thanked the Speedwatch group for their work this past year.

Elaine Sumpter spoke regarding the petition about speeding issues on the Birmingham Road. There are now 700 signatures on the paper petition and there is also an e-petition available online. Copies of the paper petition are available in the foyer in the link, the deadline to sign is 11th June 2023. If 1000 signatures are collected Warwickshire County Council will need to discuss this matter further.

9. Carnival Committee

A committee representative provided an update for the carnival and advised that this would be taking place on Saturday 17th June 2023, the carnival procession will be back this year alongside a carnival King & Queen, Prince & Princess and a Samba Band. Carnival Programmes were due to be printed and would soon be distributed, banners will also go up soon and the procession route will also be online. The playing field will host a fair and stalls featuring products from local crafters and foodies on the carnival day.

Notices will also be coming out soon regarding road closures when authorised by NWBC. BBV have offered to provide some volunteers to help steward the event however more community volunteers are always welcome, please contact the committee to find out more about volunteering opportunities or contact Toni Jane Harrison via Facebook.

Volunteers are still needed for roles such as:

- Taking a turn stewarding a gate (3,500 attendees were recorded for the Jubilee Event)
- Stewarding a road closure (only takes a short amount of time whilst the procession passes)
- Dressing a float (an AM job!)

Water Orton Carnival belongs to the village, the event needs the support of its community to continue each year, please come along to support and provide help where possible.

11am-1pm Carnival procession

1pm-5pm Carnival Event (Playing Field)

The Carnival Committee are putting on as much as they can free of charge and can provide chairs on the gate for volunteers who may struggle to stand for any length of time.

The Chair advised that a new volunteer co-ordination project for Water Orton will have a stall at the carnival and they want to talk to residents about their ideas, please go and visit their stall if you are interested in any volunteering opportunities for organisations in your village.

10. Water Orton in Bloom – A committee representative advised that the Parish Council were unfortunately not able to continue to provide staff to water the sponsored planters around the village throughout the year.

The sponsorship funds pay for the planters, plants and compost but the planters will need to be watered by volunteers and Water Orton in Bloom would like to recruit more volunteers to help them with this task.

Residents are invited to give any of their nearby planters a drink of water especially when the weather is particularly dry.

On 27th May, Water Orton in Bloom will be planting up, all are welcome to come along and join in!

The Clerk advised that the War Memorial Plant Bed was being maintained by the Parish Council, the Council opted to keep any rises in the precept down to a minimum for 2023/24 and due to this there is a limited amount of staffing and maintenance resources for the current year. The Council have advised they will continue to water the planter on conker island due to its proximity to the WOPC planter and have also offered to provide some ad-hoc cover by the caretakers on request (via the Clerk) to cover periods of absence / holiday for volunteers.

11. Annual report of the Parish Council – Chairman (Water Orton Parish Council)

Parish Councillor Steve Stuart gave a presentation to the Parish Meeting as follows:



Parish Council
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The council consists of nine members, four members have resigned and been replaced in the past twelve months. The election in May 2023 was uncontested as nine candidates stood for nine seats.

The council have also faced staffing change in 2022-23 and recruited a new Parish Clerk from 21st November 2022. The Clerk, Kate Clover holds a Certificate in Local Council Administration and has previous Parish and Town Council experience.

The Council have faced increasing financial pressures in 2022/23, with increasing outgoings against a limited income.

The Council have almost completed the Bowls Pavilion Toilet Rebuild project. Supported by HS2 Groundworks and the Parish Council, Water Orton Bowls Club have had a significant investment made in their facilities which should increase the accessibility of the pavilion for members, guests and visitors for future years. As part of this project the wooden fencing on St Blaise Avenue alongside the Bowls Club and the allotment site will be replaced shortly with steel bow-top rail fencing, this will also aid accessibility and improve the street scene for the community.

The Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) has been approved by the Council on 18th May 2023, following the independent internal audits conducted in February and May this year. It is recognised that the Council did not meet all of its requirements in 2022/23 and progress is underway to make the necessary improvements to the Council's level of governance for 2023/24. The unaudited AGAR will be published on the Parish Council website www.wopc.org.uk shortly alongside the notice of public rights.

The Council are committed to increasing standards and improving community engagement within the village to aid the council in planning for future activity. The Council will also be making active representations on the North Warwickshire Special Management Zone Group regarding HS2.

12. Any other organisations present who wish to speak

Parish Church of Water Orton: Rev. Paul Tullett spoke briefly regarding their mission statement to worship god, grow believers and make believers and provided details of their regular services which all are welcome to attend.

The Church run a Foodbank for Water Orton and any residents needing help should get in contact with the Church, they have links with Kingfisher Foodbank and can help residents to obtain foodbank vouchers.

Rev. Tullett is the Chair of the Thomas Dole Charity who are a local charity who can offer some financial support for people in hardship. Previous grant awards have helped resident to fund a new bed, provide school trips and replace a washing machine.

Rev Tullett also Chairs the Robert Lloyd Charity who have helped the primary school to fund a safe space for children with anxiety. The headteacher expressed thanks to the organisation for this funding and said due to the ongoing effects of the pandemic the facility is sadly well used by pupils as they are experiencing a greater demand to meet the complex needs of our local children.

The Link is a not for profit organisation, the building costs in the region of £30k per annum to run, it is home to various local groups including exercise classes and toddler groups.

Finally, people ask whether they can come to church? It is a public building, please do come!

Water Orton Primary School:

Steve Stuart from the Board of Governors gave a presentation as follows:



School Parish
Assembly Presentation

The school are only now having their first full year on the new site due to the coronavirus pandemic. They have recruited a new headteacher, Emma Smith and a deputy head teacher Chris Plow. The school have been committed to helping facilitate a career pathway for school employees.

The school have introduced music and foreign language lessons and offer a library and a safe space for pupils.

Their external environment includes a community area

The school are looking forward to the future after a few years of plans being repeatedly put back due to moving over to the new school site followed by the disruption of the coronavirus pandemic.

The school have begun fundraising for a minibus, not just for the school but the entire community. They are aiming to raise £60,000 to fund a new electric 16-seater minibus. Raffle tickets are available this evening for a food hamper to help with the fundraising efforts.

A mini-bus would help the school to cut down on the cost of school trips and it could also benefit other local organisations who may wish to take group trips.

An elector asked about whether the school were likely to become an academy.

It was felt that a multi-academy trust didn't appear to be the desire of the community, the schools current OFSTED report is good and they are expecting a further OFSTED inspection and are hopeful of maintaining this rating.

Schools who are deemed as requires improvement can be forced down the Academy route.

Neighbourhood Plan

13. Neighbourhood Plan (annual review and proposed amendments)

REPORT BY:	Parish Council Clerk
DATE:	10/05/2023
PURPOSE & BACKGROUND OF THE REPORT	
The Neighbourhood Plan states that it is "to be reviewed and amended as appropriate at the annual Parish Assembly".	

The actual decision to revise a neighbourhood plan, and subsequent actions to achieve this, can only be done by neighbourhood plan qualifying bodies, for Water Orton this is the Parish Council. The Neighbourhood Plan can only be amended by the Local Planning Authority (North Warwickshire Borough Council) and information regarding the process to do this can be found here: [Neighbourhood Planning – After the Neighbourhood Plan is made](#)

Copy of email sent to the Parish Council Clerk on 27/04/23:

There are some updates that need to be recorded such that the plan can be continuously updated ahead of any formal re-release in 2035:

- There is a walkway by the side of the river, through the gate on the left as you leave Water Orton. This is known as Riverside Meadow. This is known to be formal green space, but it was found too late to be included in the formal issue of the plan that went to referendum. Previous Clerk found the documents in the archives so there should be good traceability for the records.
- Another piece of green space that was located too late to be included in the referendum plan is on Plank Lane. The land is on the right-hand side as you walk from The Green and is just before the “bend”. Again, the previous clerk found this document, so it is in the Parish Council records somewhere.

Other updates that need to be kept on any “change list” for the plan are:

- The transfer of the green space from the “Dog Car Park” to the land by Plank Lane (interestingly, this is close to the green land that I mentioned in the second bullet point above.)
- I have not seen any published information on the results of the consultation for the extended conservation area. I hear that the conservation area has been extended (only verbally). If this is the case, the section on the conservation area needs to be updated.

Other pieces of work that are of potential future benefit to Water Orton residents may be:

- The ecological planting that HS2 are committed to on Gypsy Lane (and, indeed all HS2 “re-greening” commitments).
- The ecological habitat along the Brook south of the rugby pitches on Vicarage Lane, the land is protected under the Old Salts Great Crested Newt licence.
- Any land that is “gifted” by Beaver Metals - I am not sure if this is the marsh land opposite the Beaver Metals site or the lake (I only heard of the option of the lake when Councillors met with Beaver Metals to discuss their planning application)
- Any land that is given as a return for the use of the green space for the battery plant.
- Any update to the land discussion about the wetlands at the back of Mickle Meadow

There is a commitment in the Neighbourhood Plan on page 5 “This document is to be reviewed and amended as appropriate at the annual Parish Assembly”.

I suspect that the Parish Council may want to place the review on the Parish Assembly meeting agenda and give an overview of each of these points - this will then help with the justification of the document changes for the next issue.

FINANCIAL COSTS

Unknown

RECOMMENDATIONS

To consider whether to request that Water Orton Parish Council revise the Neighbourhood Plan based upon the suggested amendments.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION

Where a neighbourhood plan is proposed to be revised, there are certain options in terms of statutory process, depending on the extent of that revision.

Minor (non-material) updates that would not materially affect policies may be made by the NWBC, with consent from the Parish Council. In these circumstances, there is no need to repeat Regulation 14 consultation, examination and the referendum. Similar provisions exist for correcting errors in a plan.

If a group wish to make modifications that do materially affect the policies in the neighbourhood plan, the plan would need to go through the later stages of the statutory process, from pre-submission consultation (Regulation 14) onwards, although a referendum may not be required (this is explained later in this section).

If updates are proposed by a group that would materially affect policies, there are certain additional requirements. These are:

- at the Regulation 14 consultation stage (pre-submission) the group must state whether it believes that the modifications are so significant or substantial as to change the nature of the plan, giving reasons;
- when sending the plan to the independent examiner, the LPA must state whether it believes that the modifications are so significant or substantial as to change the nature of the plan, giving reasons. A copy of the original plan must also be submitted to the independent examiner;
- the examiner will then decide whether the modifications proposed change the nature of the plan and the group must decide whether to proceed with the examination.

A referendum is not required if an examiner decides that the modifications are not so significant or substantial as to change the nature of the plan and would meet the basic conditions (with modifications if necessary). In this circumstance, an LPA must make the plan within 5 weeks of receiving the examiner's report (or as agreed with the Parish Council.)

However, if the examiner finds that proposed modifications do change the nature of the plan, the LPA would need to publicise and consider the examiner's report in the same way as for a new neighbourhood plan and a referendum would be required

The Parish Assembly recognised that it was impractical for amendments to be made to the Neighbourhood Plan on an annual basis, due to the work involved, however it was felt that the Parish Council should make a record of suggested amendments and plan to include those revisions when appropriate.

The Chair suggested the Parish Council may be able to consider having the Neighbourhood Plan as a standing item at Parish Council Meetings to provide an opportunity for amendments to be suggested.

Clerk advised that when a Neighbourhood Plan is adopted, the Parish Council can receive 25% of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) raised from developers. Currently, North Warwickshire Borough Council do not collect CIL from developers, which means that the Parish Council do not receive any funding from new developments within the Parish. Further investigation is needed to see why NWBC do not collect CIL from developers.

Further matters to be considered in relation to inclusion in the neighbourhood plan would include the matters raised by Water Orton Heritage & Culture Society regarding securing further Tree Preservation Orders in the parish and the extension of the conservation area.

A query was raised from an elector to see whether 'Any Other Business' could be added to the Parish Council agenda as they felt that it was restrictive for members of the public to only be able to speak on matters already on the agenda.

The Clerk advised that it is not lawful to have 'any other business' on a Parish Council agenda as matters for decision must be published at least three clear days ahead of the meeting. The reason for this is that the public must be able to see the business the council are planning to transact at the meeting and can decide on this whether they wish to attend and make any comments relating to the business on the agenda before the council make a decision. Any other business would prevent the public from being adequately notified of the items for decision.

From June 2023 the Parish Council have decided to hold a Parish Councillor Surgery ahead of each Parish Council meeting. This will provide the public with an additional opportunity to speak to Councillors about any issues they are having, and Councillors may then suggest these items are added to the next agenda.

If any resident has an issue in relation to Parish Council matters, they may contact a Parish Councillor between meetings using the contact details on our website and the Councillor may request that an item is added to the following agenda for decision is appropriate. Alternatively, you may contact the Clerk between meetings for general Parish Council enquiries.

Issues raised by Electors.

- 14. Tennis Club Entrance** – to consider requesting a “beware” sign indicating that there is an entrance to the tennis club and if so, to whom the request should be made.

REPORT BY:	Parish Council Clerk
DATE:	10/05/2023
PURPOSE & BACKGROUND OF THE REPORT	
Extract of email received by Parish Council Clerk on 22/04/23:	

A "beware" sign indicating that there is an entrance to the tennis club would alert vehicles to the fact that people could step out into the Lane from there and may be hidden by a hedge until they do – vehicles here are looking down the Lane for other vehicles not people.

FINANCIAL COSTS

Unknown

RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS

To consider whether to send a request to Tennis Club / Parish Council and / or Warwickshire County Council for a 'beware' / concealed entrance sign.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION

Extract of email sent from Parish Council Clerk to elector on 25/04/2023:

'Warwickshire County Council are the principal authority responsible for Highways and they will not supply or give agreement to concealed entrance signs or mirrors.

The County Council own this land and the Parish Council would not be able to obtain permission to sight a concealed entrance sign in this location as per the notice on their website. [Concealed entrance signs and mirrors – Warwickshire County Council](#)

If you would like to query the road safety priorities and policies of the Highways department at Warwickshire County Council you may wish to speak to your local representative County Councillor, Martin Watson whose contact details can be found here: [Councillor details - Councillor Martin Watson – Warwickshire County Council](#) '

Although Warwickshire County Council's policy indicates they will not approve concealed entrance signs upon the highway, it may be possible for the Tennis Club / Parish Council (as landlord) to install signage on private land adjacent to the highway if a suitable location is sought.

A representative from the tennis club advised that there was a safety mirror in place (on private land) which provided a good view of oncoming traffic and/or pedestrians for drivers exiting the Tennis Club.

The resident stated that although this may help drivers who are exiting the club itself, her concerns lay with drivers / pedestrians who were perhaps unfamiliar / unaware that drivers would be exiting the site as they are not able to see the entrance to the Tennis Club and may not know it is there, which is why she feels a sign warning oncoming traffic and pedestrians of a concealed entrance would help to reduce the danger of a collision at the site. They had witnessed supermarket delivery van drivers regularly driving at inappropriate speeds down Vicarage Lane, and is concerned that the existing mirror would not protect pedestrians (often children / teenagers) leaving the site.

The Tennis Club representative was willing to consider placing signage upon the land belonging to the PC / leased by the Tennis Club if the Parish Council were willing to contribute towards the cost of the signage.

The Parish Meeting felt that the Parish Council should be approached to ask for permission to site a 'Beware or Concealed entrance sign' upon Parish Council land and to consider contributing towards the cost of providing the signage. The Parish Council should also consider this matter alongside the item relating to hedges on vicarage lane as it may be possible to cut hedges back further to ensure a sign would be visible.

In relation to the blanket policy from Warwickshire County Council regarding concealed entrance signs, Parish Council may wish to speak to a representative from the County to seek a further explanation on this and see whether it is possible to get the policy changed.

15. Hedges, Vicarage Lane –to consider sending a request to the Parish Council & Rugby Club to cut back hedges in Vicarage Lane in July to enable people to use the top of the Lane safely when vehicular traffic are using it.

REPORT BY:	Parish Council Clerk
DATE:	12/05/2023
PURPOSE & BACKGROUND OF THE REPORT	
Extract of email received by Parish Council Clerk on 22/04/23:	
A request for cutting back the hedges in Vicarage Lane in July to enable people to use the top of the Lane safely when vehicular traffic is using it	
The hedges and associated weeds/stingers/brambles grow out into the Lane around June/July and for those pedestrians using the Lane they have to step back into these to avoid vehicles passing down at the same time. The Council say they only cut them back in September because of birds nesting.	
Every year without fail for the past five years I have gone down there with my hi vis vest on and cut these back to not only make it safer for people (who get scratched/stung) but also to improve line of sight for vehicle users. Some have said that they don't drive down there this time of year because they don't want to have to reverse. The carnival wagons pass down there every year in July.	
Also the hedge on the tennis club side belongs to the Parish Council and the opposite hedge belongs to the landowner which was the farmer and is now the Rugby club. During construction I persuaded HS2 contractors to cut their side. You may want to speak to the Rugby club about maintaining their side or accede to my request above.	
FINANCIAL COSTS	
Unknown	
RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS	
To consider whether to send a request to the Parish Council / Rugby Club requesting hedges receive an additional cut in July.	

ANY OTHER INFORMATION

Extract of email sent from Parish Council Clerk to elector on 25/04/2023:

Regarding the hedge cutting for hedges belonging to the Parish Council, I will also pop this on the agenda for our next Maintenance Committee (date TBC). This is a process that is traditionally done annually by a contractor outside of the nesting season, however if the hedge is causing an obstruction to the highway then it may be the Council need to assess this in the summer and consider an additional cut with a view to cutting the hedge back more significantly during its annual maintenance cut in the autumn / winter period to ensure that the vegetation doesn't encroach / overhang the highway the following year.

Again, Warwickshire County Council are responsible for highways and will contact landowners if there is an issue with overgrown vegetation obstructing the highway / affecting visibility and you can report issues here:

[Report a problem with a tree or overgrown vegetation - Before you begin - Section 1 - Email details - Self \(achieveservice.com\)](#)

More information on their policies around this can be found here: [Maintaining drains, ditches and vegetation – Warwickshire County Council](#)

It may be quicker to resolve the issue you have with the maintenance of the hedge directly with the Rugby Club before approaching highways, you can find contact details for the Rugby Club here: [Contact – Old Saltleians RFC](#) I will also provide a copy of my email responses to you to the Parish Council (with any personal details redacted) as one or more of the Parish Councillors may have a connection to the Rugby Club and could raise this matter informally.

In addition to the above the Parish Council are supporting our village caretakers to obtain Lengthsman training from the County Council [Lengthsman scheme – Warwickshire County Council](#) and when this has been completed they may also be able to carry out some further tasks in the village as agreed by the Parish Council as staffing resources allow.

The Parish Meeting agreed to request that the Parish Council consider cutting hedges back further in June / July along Vicarage Lane. They agreed to request that the Parish Council approach the Rugby Club to request they also cut back their hedge.

16. Allotments (Annual rent increase/s & services)

REPORT BY:	Parish Council Clerk
DATE:	10/05/2023

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND OF THE REPORT

Extract of email received by Parish Council Clerk on 22/04/23:

I wish to raise the subject of the allotments annual rent and unreasonable increases.

Last year the annual fee was raised by 60% and although I challenged at a Parish Council meeting in September last year there was no answer other than, a 60% rise was applied

to all buildings under Council responsibility. I explained the allotments unlike these other Council buildings have no water provision (the old tap that was there has not worked for years although it was connected to the hydrant outside the allotment where the HS2 cleaning vehicle used to get water from), no green bin collection, lighting, or toilet facilities. I pay for an extra green bin for the County Council to collect and bring my own water. I asked for a rebate/that the fee be fixed this year and consideration for reconnection of the water and or a green bin collection. I was told that I was sent an email this January which refused consideration of all of those things - I never received that email but have to ask, if there is transparency why did it take so long to say "no".

The annual fee rose again this year so I challenged again. I was told that the Parish Council needed to raise the rent because (a) this was in line with allotments in Coleshill and Birmingham and (b) that the Council has administration costs which include people making enquiries about allotments and they need to inspect it regularly. I was sent the complaints procedure and told that I could complain if not satisfied with the response but if I did, according to the procedure I couldn't complain to anyone else – which is not legal and binding.

There are three allotments – smaller than those in Coleshill and Birmingham. We all three have paid this year because we don't want to lose the allotments.

1. Could we at least get the water re-connected. Two of the three allotmentees have water meters so pay for what is brought to the allotment.
2. Could we get a green bin collection and a promise that the rent will not go up again next year. We don't mind paying minimal administration, but we should not be apportioned administration fees for everyone the Council administers for: particularly as there has never been consultation with the allotmentees.

FINANCIAL COSTS

Unknown

RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) To consider sending a request for the Parish Council to get water at the allotment site on St Blaise Avenue re-connected.
- b) To consider sending a request for the Parish Council to fund a green bin collection from NWBC for the allotment site.
- c) To consider sending a request for the Parish Council to adopt an Allotment rent freeze from 2023/24 to 2024/25.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION

None

An allotment holder summarised the issues in the above report. Explaining that due to the size of the plot they were unable to utilise a water butt or a compost heap and could not burn waste due to the proximity of neighbouring properties on St Blaise Avenue. The site used to have a tap but this was broken. A hydrant had been reinstated on the land and so it should be possible for the Council to reconnect water to the site.

An elector asked how much the current rent was for an allotment plot in Water Orton.

They were advised £30 per annum. Last year it had been £25 per annum and prior to this it had been £15 per annum for several years.

- a) For Parish Meeting to consider sending a request for the Parish Council to get water at the allotment site on St Blaise Avenue re-connected.
The Parish Meeting felt that the Council should investigate the possibility of connecting a water supply to the allotment site if possible.
- b) For Parish Meeting to consider sending a request for the Parish Council to fund a green bin collection from NWBC for the allotment site.
The Parish Meeting did not have an overriding view on this matter and felt it was for the Parish Council to decide upon after further consultation with allotment holders.
- c) For Parish Meeting to consider sending a request for the Parish Council to adopt an Allotment rent freeze from 2023/24 to 2024/25.
The Parish Meeting did not have an overriding view on this matter and felt it was for the Parish Council to decide upon however consultation with allotment holders would be welcomed.

- 17. Vicarage Lane entrance to the Playing Field** – to discuss potential solutions to accessibility issues for those accessing the playing field from the Vicarage Lane Entrance gate via the drop-down kerbs installed by WCC on St Blaise Avenue and the uneven land (belonging to WCC) upon Vicarage Lane which is often used as a parking area.

REPORT BY:	Parish Council Clerk
DATE:	10/05/2023

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND OF THE REPORT

Extract of email received by Parish Council Clerk on 22/04/23:

Last September I attended a Parish Council meeting and raised the fact that accessibility for people using the Vicarage Lane park entrance gate is poor to dangerous and despite the attached response following the meeting nothing has been done and I have heard nothing further.

Drop down kerbs were installed last year on St Blaise Road to facilitate easier accessibility for wheelchair and pushchair users. However when you use the one on St Blaise en route to the park because the land is uneven and cars park there wheelchair/push chair users are forced into Vicarage Lane to access that gate, and into the roadway used by vehicular traffic.

The Council are directing them to do so by installing the drop downs: if people didn't use the drop downs and had an accident then they would not be covered by accident insurance. If they do use the drop downs and then had an accident in Vicarage Lane then it would be the Council's responsibility for not having the foresight to think about how people travel from the drop down to the park gate. Someone at the meeting suggested that they could use another entrance – I think you will find under the Equality Act that this is exclusion and would provide good grounds for people to bring a law suit against the council.

I asked for the land to be flattened and no parking allowed. The attached email identifies the land as belonging to Parish Council. ***

Could you please advise on how this can be progressed to ensure safety for those in this position and wanting to use the gate for park access?

Note from Parish Council Clerk

***Upon reviewing the attached email, the land is identified as belonging to Warwickshire County Council. The Parish Council own and are responsible for the gate to the Playing Field.

FINANCIAL COSTS

Unknown

RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS

To consider whether to send a request to Warwickshire County Council to request they progress a remedy to the accessibility issues faced by those who wish to access the Vicarage Lane entrance to the Playing Field.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION

Extract of email from County Cllr Watson sent on 30/09/2022

1. The dropped kerbs (pedestrian crossings) at the junction of St Blaise Avenue and Vicarage Lane in Water Orton - You will recall we installed these at the specific request of a resident to facilitate them being able to push their disabled daughter from Jacques Close along Vicarage Lane and back up St Blaise, which I accept is exactly what they facilitate. I am also aware that the drop kerb in St Blaise Avenue was not installed as an intended access to the sports field and that there has never been access to the sports field from this side other than to go on the carriageway. Questions:
 - a. Is there a safer way to facilitate access to the playing fields at this location?

- b. Is there an alternative means for pedestrian access to the site, e.g. via the bowling green site?

Extract of email from County Cllr Watson sent on 05/10/2022

OFFICIAL

Thanks [REDACTED], let me know what [REDACTED] thinks and we can discuss funding?

Only question for me is that I presume we don't want to create an issue where pedestrians are mixed with vehicular traffic and the gate should ideally be the other way round, e.g. pedestrian access on the left?

[@Phillip](#), is the playing field owned by the Parish Council and would the PC consider reversing the gate?



Warwickshire County Council had put in a drop-down kerbs in Jacques Close, Woodland Close and St Blaise Avenue.

On St Blaise Avenue, the drop down kerb takes you to the pavement adjacent to the allotments but then pedestrians are force to navigate an uneven piece of land (often with cars parked upon it) or must go into the road in order to get to the park entrance.

The resident would like the Parish Meeting to consider sending a request to the Parish Council to formally raise this issue with Warwickshire County Council requesting they

progress a remedy to the accessibility issues faced by those who wish to access the Vicarage Lane entrance to the Playing Field.

The Parish Meeting agreed to request that the Parish Council consider lobbying the County Council regarding this issue and work towards making the land accessible.

- 18. Safety Mirror, Coleshill Road** – to consider sending a request to Warwickshire County Council that a traffic safety mirror be installed on the triangle of land that you see as you pass the Digby pub on Coleshill Road and the road veers round towards the cricket club.

REPORT BY:	Parish Council Clerk
DATE:	10/05/2023

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND OF THE REPORT

Extract of email received by Parish Council Clerk on 22/04/23:

I want to request that a traffic safety mirror be installed on the triangle of land that you see as you pass the Digby pub on Coleshill Road and the road veers round towards the cricket club.

You have an option to wait just before the bend to veer right towards Plank Lane and Vicarage Lane. You have no sight of cars coming around on Coleshill Road until you have committed to veering right, so it is essentially a blind bend. I have asked many Councillors over the years and the answer has always been the same – “no” because no-one has died on that junction therefore there is no justification for one. Is it so expensive that we have to wait for that to happen just around the corner from the school and route to the green used by children?

FINANCIAL COSTS

Unknown

RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS

To consider whether to send a request to Warwickshire County Council for a safety mirror in the suggested location.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION

Extract of email sent from Parish Council Clerk to elector on 25/04/2023:

Warwickshire County Council are the principal authority responsible for Highways and they will not supply or give agreement to concealed entrance signs or mirrors.

The County Council own this land and the Parish Council would not be able to obtain permission to sight a mirror in this location as per the notice on their website. [Concealed entrance signs and mirrors – Warwickshire County Council](#)

Most Highway Authorities do not allow new mirrors to be put on the highway. This is because experience shows that rather than improving safety, a mirror could increase safety risks, which include;

- reflect light and interfere with a driver's vision
- reduce the ability to judge an oncoming vehicle's speed
- create an unreasonable dependence on the mirror
- if dirty, distorts or restricts the view
- be an easy target for vandals

If the Highways authority were to permit mirror, they would then potentially become liable for any accidents that occur where the mirror is a contributing factor.

If you would like to report any further highway matters you can report issues here: [Report it – Warwickshire County Council](#)

If you would like to query the road safety priorities and policies of the Highways department at Warwickshire County Council you may wish to speak to your local representative County Councillor, Martin Watson whose contact details can be found here: [Councillor details - Councillor Martin Watson – Warwickshire County Council](#)

The Parish Meeting discussed the matter in the above report and noted that the County Council 's existing policy means that it may not be possible to get a safety mirror. The consensus of the Parish Meeting was that this site is dangerous, and the line of sight is difficult for drivers and with traffic diversions due to HS2 and proposals for additional housing nearby the volume of traffic approaching this triangle continues to increase. If a safety mirror cannot be provided, then what is the alternative?

The site is already a location for the Speedwatch group.

The Parish Meeting felt the layout of the area could be reconsidered by Warwickshire County Council and the introduction of a roundabout instead may be a viable alternative to a safety mirror if the County Council will not move from their policy on these.

It was agreed by the Parish Meeting to raise this matter with the Parish Council and request that they raise this matter formally with Warwickshire County Council.

19. Volunteer Co-ordination – to discuss project to help co-ordinate local volunteers' availability and skills with charitable / non -profit organisations in the village.

It was highlighted that a project was commencing headed up by two residents who are active at the Methodist Church and other community projects.

They are presently engaging with a number of village institutions with a view to collating a list of voluntary positions which could then be advertised centrally.

It was hoped to have the list available in time to be displayed on the Churches Together stand at the Village carnival and in the noticeboard at the Methodist church thereafter.

20. Station Buildings / Birmingham Road illegal parking – To discuss and consider what the 'long term' fix may be to prevent the increased parking around the shops which is becoming increasingly dangerous.

It was confirmed that those parking on the zig-zags, on the zebra crossing or causing an obstruction can be reported to the police.

Those parking on double yellow lines or contravening traffic protection orders (such as staying for longer than allowed in an allocated parking space) should be reported to NWBC who should have traffic enforcement officers routinely patrolling this area.

Traffic Protection Orders have now been put in place and new signage showing restricted parking time and marked bays outside the shops would be in place soon. Once they were in place the traffic enforcement officers can include this location in their patrols. There has been some success with this in Coleshill High Street.

The Chair expressed a lack of faith in these measures making a significant difference to the parking issues. He has been contacted by a resident who often has shop delivery drivers parking on her driveway. They have also faced issues with local workers urinating and parking on her property.

Borough Councillor Reilly is the lead member for parking and is a good contact for updates on these matters.

Unfortunately, due to the time restrictions and charges on the village car park, workers for the shops are likely to seek free on-road parking, which is causing further issues for residents. There were no issues in obtaining a space in the village car park, before parking restriction were introduced to this car park, and at this point a further 9 spaces were added when they changed the markings. It is felt that visitors to the shops will not use the village car park due to its lack of proximity and some visitors are unlikely to be aware of its existence. It would be useful if this car park could be utilised by shop workers to free up on-street parking. Could NWBC consider permits for this car park? Currently there is no access for staff to park behind shops due to bins and other items.

An elector asked whether the traffic enforcement officers were employed or sub-contracted? Are they paid by results? They have been seen in Coleshill frequently but rarely seen in Water Orton. Chair advised that currently they can only provide enforcement on the Village car park and they can't issue tickets outside the shops until the TPO is in place and the bays are marked / signage refreshed.

It was suggested by the Chair that the Parish Council have an agenda item in relation to parking in June.

Written reports from other local authorities or organisations for information

21. Warwickshire Police Annual Report for Water Orton

A written report was provided by PCSO Demi Smith as follows:

April 2023 Crime Figures

- X1 vehicle interference
- X2 ASB
- X3 Suspicious Circumstances
- X2 Road Traffic Collision, Marsh Lane
- X2 Stolen Vehicles

I received reports from residents about a white van acting suspiciously and talking to young girls inappropriately in the village. A communications message was put out on our social media, and we also conducted patrols to look for this van. A marker has been put on the vehicle to be stopped if seen so we can talk to the occupants and see what they are up to.

Although vehicle crime has reduced significantly since January 2023, we are still experiencing theft of vehicles and theft from vehicles. PC Howells (Beat manager) has been working with West Midlands and Staffordshire Police to try and tackle this by organising vehicle crime operations every month. We share the results of these vehicle crime operations on our social media and on the Atherstone and Coleshill Newsletter which I produce. This newsletter is sent out to parish, borough, and county council members to be spread to their constituents.

Parking Issues

One of the big issues that has been an issue for many years is parking at the Water Orton shops. I had a meeting back in Feb with WCC Highways at the location to discuss what else we could do to stop the drivers parking on the pedestrian crossing as the measures that have been taken so far have not prevented this. Here are the actions taken so far and the plan going forward:

Here are the actions that have been taken so far:

- Railings were put along the pavement which stopped vehicles parking 2 up on the double yellow lines.
- I have spoken to business owners and given them posters to put in their shop windows to educate drivers.
- I have put a police force no parking cone on the kerb on the pedestrian crossing. This was thrown into a disabled man's front garden, and he thought his front garden was a crime scene.
- I have issued multiple tickets for unnecessary obstruction.
- I have spoken to drivers of the vehicles and told them to park in the village car park.
- I have put post on social media to educate drivers on where not to park.
- I have spoken to HS2 management as Balfour Beatty vehicles had been parking on the crossing.
- Parking patrols conducted at peak times (job dependent)

- I approached NWBC to see if the staff at the shops could have parking permits for the village/station car park so they wouldn't be using the parking bays outside the shops.
- I requested a camera to be put up in the location, but I was advised that the CCTV cameras that we use cannot be used to capture parking offences.

Unfortunately, the local team who cover Water Orton only has 3 officers. 1 Police constable and 2 Police Community Support Officers. We are all on different shift patterns and only the Police constable has powers to issue a Traffic Offence report for parking within the limit of a pedestrian crossing. PCSOs can only issue tickets for unnecessary obstruction and the penalty for that is only £30 fine. Unfortunately, we must witness the offence in person to be able to issue a ticket. The NWBC traffic wardens can now enforce parking on double yellow lines, and I believe they conduct patrols in the area.

The plan going forward:

- My team will be conducting patrols when we can and will be posting this on our social media page Atherstone and Coleshill Police Facebook.
- I have had a meeting with WCC Highways at the location and it has been agreed that the black railings are going to be extended down to the pedestrian crossing. This is going to take a couple months as the contractors have other jobs on. The bin will be moved slightly to the right.
- The bays outside the shops will be monitored by NWBC parking wardens. It is proposed there will be 16 numbered parking spaces which will be limited waiting, Mon to Sat 0800 to 1800 1hour (no return within 2 hours) and 2 disabled parking bays for blue badge holders only.

Antisocial Behaviour

There have been a couple reports recently regarding Antisocial behaviour in the white city area. This involves youths hanging around on bikes and climbing on the garages. I have asked NWBC housing if they would consider using anti climb paint on the garages, but they have refused this and are looking into putting up signage. My team will be conducting patrols to try and catch up with these individuals. If anybody can get footage and identify them, please call us on 101 and let us know.

Community Ambassador for the supported village scheme.

Warwickshire Police are hoping to recruit a Community Ambassador to enable Water Orton to run a supported village scheme. The ambassador would need to store a couple of boxes containing items that members of the community can borrow when they are going on holiday to help deter thieves (such as timers for switches etc.) Anyone interested in helping this project should contact the Safer Neighbourhood Team – Coleshill for further information.

Crime Reporting

Firstly (and I thought this was a given), any resident living in Water Orton and who is covered by NWBC/WCC is to report crime to Warwickshire Police. Unfortunately, when calling, the signal can sometimes divert to West Midlands police as it is so close to the border. If this happens, the person reporting the crime should request to be diverted to Warwickshire Police.

Secondly, the online report system reports form goes through to a separate department to where calls to 101 go through to. The online reports are dealt with the same as the calls, they are risk assessed and sent to the relevant team. However, the online report forms are not logged as a log on

our systems, this will be why the caller handler could not find the reference number. The reference number for the online report forms is sent as a receipt to say we have received it.

In terms of reporting crime, we give this advice to everyone. If someone is a risk to themselves, to others or is causing damage at the time of the call, call 999. If the crime has already happened or you are reporting an ongoing issue, then this is to be reported to 101 or online on the Warwickshire Police website.

In terms of crimes, we do not deal with this will be fly tipping (NWBC Environmental Health), parking on double yellows (this is now enforceable by NWBC traffic wardens), noise complaints (NWBC Environmental health), parking in disabled bays (WCC).

https://www.google.com/maps/d/embed?mid=1UelcqPTVI7EVhSr_uyR7-ZLCb-VEddYu&ehbc=2E312F - this is a link to the map of the area we cover on North Warwickshire West team.

[North Warwickshire West | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://www.police.uk) – this is the link to our page on Police.uk with more info on statistics and the team. It does give the address to the station on the site but we are not open to members of the public as the building is not manned 24/7. If a resident would like to speak to someone at a police station, they will need to visit Nuneaton Police station.

The Chair thanked the head teacher for hosting the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting and thanked those attending for their generous donations to the raffle to raise funds towards the purchase of a school & community minibus.

The annual assembly was closed at 20:45

OK!