

Key Issues from the meeting held on Monday 19th January 2015



WILLASTON
Residents' and Countryside Society



Play Area

The tender for the stage one improvements to the play area is currently published with a suggested start date of 20th April. The work that will be done includes a new climbing unit and swings for younger children, a new entrance and path around the equipment, a cantilever swing, mounds and a tunnel, a football area with children's goals, a seating area for adults and log seating for children. The full details can be seen on our website.

Friends of Hadlow Road Station

Good progress is being made to establish an independent group. A draft constitution is being created and a team of volunteers has been established. They have drawn up a list of what needs to be done and some smaller funding applications have been submitted to get the group started up.



New Homes Bonus Community Fund

We are able to bid for funding available that relates to the number of new homes built in the area over the next few years. Any proposed funding applications need to relate to issues that came out of the Community Plan consultation. The Society discussed a wide range of options and agreed in the first instance to bid for funds to improve our village communication by having a newsletter that goes out twice a year to all homes and to support the Friends of Hadlow Station.

Planning

We were pleased to hear that applications to build new housing on Mill Lane in the Green Belt area have either been withdrawn or refused. We will be putting in an objection to proposed development of two dwellings at the rear of Nessun Dorma on Lydiate Lane on the grounds that this is also in the Green Belt area and not appropriate for infill.



20 mph zone

Speed checks have been done in the 20mph zone and show a reduction in the average speed to 22-26mph in the area. Thank you for slowing down. Eight parking tickets have also been issued in Willaston in the last three months so please do comply with the parking restrictions.

Footpaths

Merseyside and West Cheshire Area Ramblers have generously provided funds for new way mark signs for the various walks around Willaston. These will be erected as soon as permission has been obtained from landowners and the weather is favourable. If you are able to help put up these signs, please email willastonfootpaths@outlook.com.



New Vicar

The new priest-in-charge, Stephen Bazely will be licensed to the Parish on Thursday 19th February at 7.30pm by the Lord Bishop of Chester.

Uniformed Organisations

The brownies, beavers and cub packs all have vacancies for new members. For information about brownies contact Sheena Chalmers on 327 7138 and for information on beavers and cubs contact Dave Kendall on 339 4205.



Events coming up in Willaston

- 28th January – Willastonhey WI Bridge Drive
- 3rd February – Willaston Memorial Hall AGM
- 10th February – Horticultural Society AGM
- 14th February – Soup lunch hosted by the Methodist Chapel
- 25-28th June – Willaston Village Festival

See the notice boards or the web site for further information.

Want more information?



A full set of the minutes of our meeting can be seen in the Methodist Church Hall, on our website or a copy will be sent if you ring 0151 327 5318. Our website can be found at: www.willastoninwirralresidents.org.

If you would like an email alert when minutes of meetings are posted on our website, please email admin@willastoninwirralresidents.org.

Any village concerns then let us know.

Email Willaston Residents' & Countryside Society through the 'Contact Us' page on the Society's website, the link on the About My Area website's WR&CS page or directly to admin@willastoninwirralresidents.org. Alternatively write to the Society c/o the Chair, 11 The Courtyard, Willaston. CH64 2UT.

Information is also on the About My Area website: www.aboutmyarea.co.uk, search on CH64, then click on villages in CH64. There is a link to our website at the bottom of the page.

If there is any particular issue you would like to raise, the first 15 minutes of each meeting is open to any resident. Please let us know if you would like to attend during this session.

Our next meeting is on 16th March 2015. (All meetings now take place on the 3rd Monday of every other month).