

## Key Issues from the meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016



**WILLASTON**  
Residents' and Countryside Society

### Recycling

A representative from Kier Environmental Services attended to let people know about the recycling and education centre in Winsford. Groups of up to 30 people can visit for free. The Council used to pay £9/tonne for landfill and now pay £87/tonne. You can also order new bins and replacement lids through the Council website or by ringing 0300 123 7026.



### Footpaths

We have been liaising with the Council to have a metal walkway installed along FP32 (which runs from the rear of Pollards to the Wirral Way) as this area often gets flooded due to the pond. Thanks to funding from Cllr Hogg's Members' Budget and further money from the Council, this has now been installed.

### Community Governance Review

The Council is consulting residents in our area to see if we would prefer a Parish Council to a Residents' Society. The consultation runs until 14<sup>th</sup> December and you can complete the online questionnaire by searching for 'consultations' on the Council website or ring 01244 972283. There are also paper copies of the questionnaire in the pharmacy and we will be putting in a response as an organisation.



### Wirral Line

Works will be taking place on the Wirral Line from January to mid-June. From 3<sup>rd</sup> January – 12<sup>th</sup> February and 30<sup>th</sup> May – 18<sup>th</sup> June, trains will only run to Birkenhead Central. Between 13<sup>th</sup> February and 29<sup>th</sup> May, they will only run to James Street on weekdays and Birkenhead Central at weekends. There will be replacement buses running.

### Planning

We were pleased that the proposed change of use of two agricultural buildings at Saddlewood Farm, Lydiat Lane to residential dwellings was turned down. We had submitted evidence that these had not been put to agricultural use since they were constructed, as required by the rules.

Detailed plans for the proposed new estate next to Hooton Station are now available by going on the planning section of the Council website and searching for 'Roften'. The proposals comprise 265 houses and a care home with 25% of the houses defined as affordable.



### Christmas Trees

You can have your Christmas tree picked up for recycling and support a local hospice by registering on [www.charityxmastreecollection.com](http://www.charityxmastreecollection.com).

### Events coming up in Willaston

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

1<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Lights Switch On

2<sup>nd</sup> December – PTA Christmas Fair

4<sup>th</sup> December – Toy and Christingle Service in Methodist Church

**WHAT'S ON  
IN THE AREA**



9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Willaston Country Christmas Markets

9<sup>th</sup> December – Hadlow Green Singers Concert

11<sup>th</sup> December – Santa's Grotto at Hadlow Road Station; Carols by Candlelight at Methodist Church

14<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> December – Santa's sleigh tours Willaston

18<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity Services at Christ Church and Methodist Church; Nine Lessons and Carols at Christ Church

20<sup>th</sup> December – Carols on the Green

24<sup>th</sup> December – Christingle Service and Christmas Night Service at Christ Church

25<sup>th</sup> December – Short Family Service at Methodist Church; Christmas Day Communion at Christ Church

### 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.

If you would like an email alert when minutes of meetings are posted on our website, please contact us via the website.

### **Any village concerns then let us know.**

Get in touch with Willaston Residents' & Countryside Society through the 'Contact Us' page on the Society's website. Alternatively write to the Society c/o the Chair, 11 The Courtyard, Willaston. CH64 2UT.

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. You are also welcome to attend throughout the meeting as an observer – again, please let us know if you will be attending.

Our next meeting is on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

(All meetings take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every other month).

Find out more at [www.willastoninwirralresidents.org](http://www.willastoninwirralresidents.org) or [www.facebook.com/willastonresidents](http://www.facebook.com/willastonresidents).