



# UPTON BY CHESTER AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Upton-by-Chester, held on Monday 9  
May 2022, 6.30pm

**Present:** 13

**In attendance:** Suzi Bull (Clerk/Proper Officer).

## 1. Chairmans Report.

The Chairman of the Parish Council presented the Chairman's Report which was received and noted.

## 2. Open Forum.

The following matters were raised and discussed:

Wealstone Lane – cars parked along the roadside, including in the area of the bend in the road opposite to the junction of Weston Grove.

**Resolved: The Parish Council will contact Dorin Park school to discuss the possibility of using the school car park at weekends and in the evening.**

**Flyers will be handed to vehicle owners asking for considerate car parking.**

**Pavilion staff will anticipate events being held on the QE II Playing Field and try to manage safe car parking.**

It was also noted that on occasions, roadside car parking is due to events being held at Mill View Primary School.

Congratulations were offered to the Parish Council and staff for the superb facility provided to Upton residents at the Pavilion and QE II Playing Field; a great community atmosphere and facilities.

The Chairman of the Parish Council presented email correspondence from Upton residents who were unable to attend:

In advance of knowing the views of residents from the recent Parish Survey, what are currently the Top 3 specific priorities of the Parish Council for the coming year May 2022- April 2023?

Responses from Parish Councillors present at the meeting included:

- A continuous program of improvement for Parish Council assets
- Conclusion of current projects
- Phase II of the playground
- Chemistry Pits Playing Field improvements
- Project and financial planning for maintenance and new improvement projects

In addition, the following comments were made:

- Community engagement is important to the Parish Council, new ideas are welcome.
- Volunteers are involved in many of the Parish Council projects and are very welcome.
- The Parish Council has been asked on several occasions about putting down a perimeter path on the playing field; this is not possible due to drainage issues.
- It is hoped that plans to work in partnership with CW&C Council and the Cheshire Football Association to carry out drainage work on the playing field will progress this year.

A resident raised the following matters and comments:

- Chemistry Pits – adding seating benches is a good idea
- The Chemistry Pits 'wildlife area' needs some maintenance attention
- The site needs regular monitoring for litter and anti-social behaviour
- Access pathways may be refurbished by CW&C Council
- Improvements to the playground – much appreciated
- Parish Council and community notice boards – more are required.
- Car parking on pavements, including areas such as Woodlea Avenue.
- The impact of inappropriate car parking in Marina Drive is causing damage to the pavements.
- Dangerous and inappropriate car parking in Weston Grove around and adjacent to the Tesco area.

**Resolved: all of these matters were agreed and noted by the Parish Council. Those assembled, the Parish Council and Pavilion staff will try to raise the importance of safe car parking in the community via social media.**

Letter to Parking Services / Chief Exec to request that Upton is serviced and pavement parking is dealt with by way of fines-