

TILSTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

13th March 2025

Commenced: 6.30 pm

Terminated: 6.45 pm

Present: Councillor Kenny (Chair)
Councillors Eddleston, Edwin-Scott

Councillor Waddelove – Cheshire West and Chester Council
Mr Simon Kettle – SAK Design

There were two members of the public in attendance.

1. WELCOME

The Chair of Tilston Parish Council welcomed everyone in attendance.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received for the meeting.

3. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Chair reported on the following activities within the Parish over the last 12 months:-

- (i) Flooding to the houses on Inveresk Road –volunteers and members of the parish council had met and attempted to dig out the ditch. The Cheshire West and Chester Council Rights of Way Officer had contacted Councillor Kenny earlier in the week, and could hopefully provide funding for this task to be completed by a professional.
- (ii) Speed monitoring had taken place.
- (iii) Planters around the village were planted by local residents who had offered to plant again this year.
- (iv) The installation of the phone mast was imperative for residents with poor communications networks.
- (v) A couple of councillors had resigned from the Parish Council, and a new Deputy Chair had been appointed.
- (vi) The Parish Council's grants allocation had awarded £650 to the Tilston Playing Field Association.
- (vii) The Oak tree at Tilston War Memorial Hall was having maintenance work carried out during the week.
- (viii) Warm Space in the Carden Arms was again being used. Last year a grant was received for £500.00 and 207 people attended, this year, a grant was received for £700.00 and to date 73 people had attended.
- (ix) A local resident had gritted the paths in the Village.
- (x) This year's major project for the Parish Council had been the car park, which would continue to remain the main focus for the next year. Fund raising activities were now being investigated. .
- (xi) The precept had been agreed.
- (xii) Planning for a VE Day event was taking place for 10th May 2025.

4. LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Councillor Edwin-Scott reported on the activities of the Wildlife and Landscape Group, as follows:-

- (i) During January and February the orchard near the old rectory had been pruned.
- (ii) Cultivating flowers.
- (iii) Bird watching activities were taking place.
- (iv) Himalayan balsam was being removed from the wood.
- (v) Woodland Walk around Tilston Woods
- (vi) Ramblers Don't Lose Your Way Campaign - seeking lost footpaths.
- (vii) The Apple Day made £280
- (viii) Footpaths – work was taking place to clear the circular footpaths to ensure they were accessible by cutting down brambles

5. OPEN FORUM

There were no residents in attendance.