

# NESTON COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT

## NESTON LOOKING BETTR

Notes from the NLB meeting held on Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup> 2026.

Present – Cllr Janet Griffiths, Cllr Brenda Marple and Liz Luxford.  
Apologies Tracey Hardcastle, Cllr Pat Kynaston, Cllr Martin Barker, Helen Neal

### 1. Neston Report – Janet Griffiths

It is good to see how many of the daffodils and tulips previously planted have flowered so well this year.

The Fairtrade planted areas on Chester Road and Park Street remain marked out in stones. They have been appreciated and received very favourable comments. They are also much more manageable

There are the annual Litter Picks planned for Raby Park Road and cemetery and the Clayhill on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Now the weather has improved weeding parties will recommence.

The Friday markets have continued to do well despite the rather wet weather on Fridays. A special Easter market will be held on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### 2. West Vale Report – Liz Luxford

The park is looking good. Steve Wastell has continued with his strimmer.

More young families now use the park. The Zip wire is very popular.

The newly painted and restored children's play area well received. Children are using the circular paths to learn to ride their bikes.

New planters for the pavement in front of the shops will be arriving soon.

Maintenance of the planters is under discussion.

The Fun Day will be on July 26<sup>th</sup>.

### 3. Parkgate Report – Brenda Marple

The Parade is being resurfaced. The Boathouse restaurant is currently being renovated and painted.

The Community Spirit Group continues to survive and is well supported.

There has been no movement on the proposed development on Marsh Nurseries.

PG society is currently Way Marking on the Boathouse Lane end of the Wirral Way working with CWAC and other groups, deciding positions for new posts.

Funds have been donated of £500 from Shop for Neston given to Friends of Wirral Way, £4000 from PG society and CWAC. Cllr Colin Dignam-Gill is joining the PG society.

High Sea boat on the slipway is looking really worn down and a decision needs to be made to repair and refurbish or replace it.

A new pop-up outlet has been given a short-term license at the old baths site for coffee and cake for weekends and holidays. No-one was informed and the Society is not happy.

The Boathouse is closed for renovation.

### 4. Ness Report

No report but Ness Gardens are looking really good.

#### 5. Neston Library- Helen Neal

We now have a new team leader in the library – Hayley Rigby, who I have updated on the situation with the mosaic and garden. We intend to have a planning meeting in April about the raised bed, the mosaic and the library garden. I will update the group at the next meeting.

#### 6. Mosaic – Helen Neal

The Mosaic is now repaired and is stored on site in the boiler room to protect it from the elements.

#### 7. Friends of Wirral Way – Brenda Marple

The group held its first AGM and has a good core number of workers. 19 volunteers in all. The group has now repainted the Millennium bridge, Tim Lloyd (CWAC Ranger) got the lettering repainted and provided the paint.

The bridge by PG primary is to be repainted.

The bridal path at Moorside to the library is to be reinstated. Cllr Sion Jones is to donate a large amount of wood chippings.

The £2000 award grant from Shop4Neston has been used to replace a number of pools.

A massive litter pick off the Rope Walk car park was needed after illegal camping.

#### 8. High Street

Elephant Coffee roastery has moved to the Clayhill.

Global Travel has moved to the former Vista Abode shop.

Onyx Beauty has moved into the old lower Elephant Coffee.

New pet café Bark Cart Coffee Park.

The national bank Overdraught café has become a warm hub for the elderly.

Greenland Fisheries is under new management.

The Brook St. development is still awaited.

#### 9. Bins

The Chester Road car park is awaiting the result of the Brook St. development.

But the new King Charles path needs a bin at the bottom of Manorial Rd. A number of dog walker bags have been left.

#### 10. Litter picks – April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.