## WILLASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Mr Wheelton

## Land at Moorfields Corner, Willaston Title No. CH571171

I understand that you have been in communication with Councillor Brian Silvester regarding the naming of the above plot of land at Moorfields corner in Willaston. This land is owned by Cheshire East Council, having originally been donated to the then Crewe & Nantwich Borough Council by a local resident some years ago.

Councillor Silvester has asked me to write to you to explain what the parish council is seeking to do.

The plot of land in question is situated adjacent to the home of our last Chairman, Mike Heywood, who sadly and very suddenly passed away in January this year. Mike had been the Chairman of Willaston Parish Council for 12 years prior to his death and was extremely active within the village - in fact, he was known to many simply as Mr Willaston. As well as being Parish Chairman, Mike was also the leader of the Willaston scout group and was instrumental in organising many other events within the village including the Summer Fete and the annual Remembrance Day Service which took place on the village green.

Amongst his other activities, Mike was also Chairman of the Willaston in Bloom Committee and was responsible for much of the planting and maintenance of flower beds each year particularly on the village green at Moorfields corner. Incidentally, although the plot of land in question is owned by Cheshire East Council, it has always been the parish council that has maintained the area and arranged the grass cutting.

When Mike passed away earlier this year the parish council put its mind to an appropriate memorial to someone who had been such a stalwart of the community

in Willaston. After consultation with Mike's widow it was decided that the renaming of the village green as Mike Heywood Green would be the most relevant and fitting tribute to his memory — assuming that this could be arranged and there were no legal issues to prevent it. As our local Borough Councillor, Brian Silvester took up the cause on our behalf.

I should be grateful, therefore, if you would advise what steps need to be taken in order to achieve the re-naming of the said plot of land as described.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

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