

**Minutes of the meeting of Bronington Community Council-
Held at Bronington School on Wednesday 15th November 2017 at 7.30 pm**

Present	Cllrs. D Evans (Chairman), V Brodie, A Warren, M Watson, P Robinson, S Turner, A Lewis, A Edwards. The Clerk.	
1- Apologies	Cllr. S Swinden, R Millington, A Reardon, R Hill.	
2- Declarations of Interest	None were declared.	
3- Casual Vacancies	Resolved:- Councillors agreed to co-opt Anna Edwards to represent the Iscoyd ward. Proposed by Cllr Brodie and seconded by Cllr Warren. Cllr Edwards duly signed the Acceptance of Office form.	
4- Police Update	The police did not attend the meeting. A report was submitted covering all of the Wrexham rural area. Previously, the Council received a breakdown for the crimes in the Bronington ward but now note that the new format does not include this useful and vital information. The Clerk has written to Sgt Burn to request a breakdown and full details for all crimes specifically in the Bronington ward as before. This will help ensuring that all crimes in the Bronington ward are reported as the Council has found in the past that this has not been the case.	
5- Adoption of the minutes	Resolved: - The minutes of the business meeting that was held on Wednesday 18th October 2017 were proposed by Cllr Watson and seconded by Cllr Warren. The minutes were then adopted and signed as correct.	
6- Matters Arising	The following faults remain outstanding. The Clerk has contacted Highways to enquire when the repairs / works will be completed, but no satisfactory response has been received to date:- 6.1.1 Grids: - The grids on the A525 are full. 6.1.2 Road Surface: - The road from Lower Wych to Eglwys Cross needs resurfacing especially at the turning for Tallarn Green. 6.1.3 Road Condition: - Back Lane, off Chapel Lane, Bronington (located on the road opposite Green Dragon Farm on the A495). Is in poor condition as the grass verges are spreading out into the road and grass is growing down the middle of the road. 6.1.4 Footpath: - The footpath on the A525 located outside Little Green Farm to Eglwys Cross is in a poor state of disrepair. This is causing a hazard for pedestrians using the footpath. 6.1.5 Blocked grids: - Outside Redbrook House, Redbrook Maelor. 6.1.6 Blocked Grids: - At the junction of Whitewell Road and Smokey Lane. 6.1.7 Road Surface: - Road is breaking up again on Whitewell Road (this has happened before at this location due to a badgers set). 6.1.8 Potholes: - located from Fenns Lane to the junction with Brick Walls Lane. 6.1.9 Potholes: - Road north of Eastwick Farm (this was due to be repaired two years ago) – there are two major potholes / road subsidence. 6.1.10 Pothole: - Located at junction at Eglwys Cross. 6.1.11 Overgrown Footpath: - From Moss Lane to Chapel Lane the grass is	

growing across the footpath and is overgrown.

- 6.1.12 Conery Lane, Bronington: - Numerous potholes.
- 6.1.13 Potholes: - located on Bowkers Lane.
- 6.1.14 Potholes: - located from Broad Oak Farm to Pinfold Farm.
- 6.1.15 Blocked Grids: - Located on the A495.
- 6.1.16 Potholes: - Located Smokey Lane and Whitewell Road are getting worse.
- 6.1.17 Potholes: - located on Broomers Lane and Mannings Lane.
- 6.1.18 Blocked Grids: - located on Whitewell Lane past Whitewell Church and are causing road subsidence.
- 6.1.19 New Hall Lane, Bronington: - attention required to improve road surface.
- 6.1.20 Blocked Grids: - located on the A495 between School Lane and Bronington Church.
- 6.1.21 Lower Barns, Ty Broughton: - potholes are getting worse with drivers using the grass verges to avoid the potholes.
- 6.1.22 A525:- potholes are increasing in size at the following locations on the A525 – in front of Border garage; outside Ruscoe Farm; at the top of Broad Oak Bank and at Painters Green.
- 6.1.23 Blocked grids: - located on the corner at Holly Bank and Meadow View.
- 6.1.24 Missing Sign:-located in a ditch on the A495 between the church and School Lane (indicates slippery road).
- 6.1.25 Conery Lane: - The lane is in a complete lack of disrepair with pot holes due to no maintenance from Wrexham Council. In February, three people have had split tyres and one person a broken spring on a trailer, due to a very large pot hole measuring 7" to 8" deep by 2 foot wide.
- 6.1.26 Pothole: - serious pothole next to a drain on the A525 opposite "The Bhatti". If it is not filled in, it is likely to cause the drain to collapse when a heavy vehicle crosses it.
- 6.1.27 Blocked Grids: - located at the junction of School Lane to Nook Lane on the A 495.
- 6.1.28 Pothole: - Road surface breaking up due to very deep potholes located on Back Lane and Chapel Lane, Bronington.
- 6.1.29 Pothole: - located at junction on the A495 for School Lane, Bronington.
- 6.1.30 A525:- there are overgrown branches on the footpath on the A525 near to Border Garage – pedestrians are having to walk on the road to avoid the branches. The clerk has reported the concern to Highways and the matter has been resolved.
- 6.1.31 Redbrook: - the tarmac is breaking up badly on the A495, this is due to the large number of wagons that use the road daily.
- 6.1.32 Pothole: - located by the junction with School Lane, Bronington.
- 6.1.33 Pavement: - the pavement on the A525 in Bronington is in an extremely poor state.
- 6.1.34 Whitewell Road, Whitewell: - there are a number of large potholes located on Whitewell Road located beyond the turning for Whitewell

	<p>Church.</p> <p>6.1.35 Smokey Lane, Tybroughton: - there are numerous potholes all over the road that are in an urgent state of repair.</p> <p>6.1.36 The Hully, Tybroughton: - there are potholes all over the road that are in an urgent state of repair.</p> <p>6.1.37 A495:- the road is subsiding at on the A495 outside Springfield Farm, Bronington.</p> <p>6.1.38 A495:- there is a large pothole on the A495 on the first bend when you turn towards Bronington at the Redbrook Maelor junction.</p> <p>6.1.39 Overgrown footpath from Chapel Lane to Bronington village needs to be cleared and cut back as it is hazardous for pedestrians.</p> <p>6.1.40 Road Surface: - the tarmac surrounding the grids outside Green Dragon is breaking up.</p> <p>6.1.41 Road Subsidence: - located outside Springfield Farm on the A495.</p> <p>6.1.42 Blocked Grids: - located on Smokey Lane between Holly Bank and Meadow View.</p> <p>6.1.43 Blocked Grids: - located between Whitewell Church and where the badger's set was on Smokey Lane.</p> <p>6.1.44 Road Surface: - the tarmac surrounding the grid is broken up at the junction on the A525 for Broad Oak, Whitewell.</p> <p>6.1.45 Fly Tipping: - taking place at Painter's Green (located half way down to the oak tree).</p> <p>6.2 Letter to MP: - A reply has been received from the letter that was sent to Ken Skates, the Welsh Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure, to complain about the lack of action regarding repairs to the highways. It states that the Welsh government is responsible for motorways and trunk roads in Wales. Local roads fall under the jurisdiction of the local authority, WCBC. The Welsh government is unable to intervene in a local authority's highway maintenance functions.</p> <p>If the Council is unhappy with the service received from WCBC they have suggested that the Council use WCBC's complaints procedure. If the Council remains dissatisfied then they can contact the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.</p> <p>The Clerk is to use WCBC's complaints procedure. If the Council remains dissatisfied then the Clerk will contact the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.</p>	RS					
7- Open Forum	There was no consideration of this item.						
8- Correspondence	<p>8.1 <u>List of post received:-</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="355 1823 1386 1868"> <tr> <td style="height: 20px;"></td> </tr> </table> <p>8.2 <u>List of emails forwarded to councillors:-</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="355 1912 1386 2130"> <tr> <td>Independent Review Panel - Call to Evidence</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NEW CONSULTATION: Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FCC invitation for Members of the Community Council to visit the Wrexham Recycling Park</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Issue 150 - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Thursday 12th October 2017</td> </tr> </table>		Independent Review Panel - Call to Evidence	NEW CONSULTATION: Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill	FCC invitation for Members of the Community Council to visit the Wrexham Recycling Park	Issue 150 - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Thursday 12th October 2017	
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	On-Line Consultation on Planning Applications (no longer will post)							
	Community Concern Enquiry Confirmation							
	Wrexham Town and Community Council Forum 21 September 2017							
	Could Scottish Land reforms come to Wales - Wrexham 14/11/17							
	Youth Service Grant info							
	Boundary Commission for Wales: Revised Proposals Report 2018 Review							
	Code of Conduct Training							
	Issue 151 - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Wednesday 18th October							
	Co-option to Community councillor vacancies							
	Thank you from the Jubilee Luncheon Club							
	Town and Village Greens legislation							
	Consultation on proposed amendments to the Local Authorities (Capital Finance & Accounting) (Wales) Regulations 2003							
	Capturing Planning in Images – Competition to Picture Wales							
	: Issue 152 - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Wednesday 25th October							
	WCBC - 'Difficult Decisions 2018-20' – consultation closing date 30 November							
	Wales Centre for Public Policy - An Exciting Announcement							
	UK Parliament Week Event - Wrexham Speaks							
	Energy Networks Association: Be Winter Ready							
	Issue 153 - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Wednesday 1st November							
	One Voice Wales Innovative Practice National Awards 2018							
	Review of Community and Town Council Sector - Consultation Events							
	Difficult Decisions 2018-20 - Consultation Event – 20 Nov - In addition to the survey we will be holding a consultation event at the Guildhall for members of the public, and other invited representatives on Monday 20th November 2017 commencing at 5.30pm. The event will consist of a presentation of the Council's budget proposals for 2018-20, along with a chance for you to discuss the proposals with Lead Members.							
	Crowdfunding Campaign request from The Rainbow Centre							
	Issue 154 - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Wednesday 8th November							
9- Accounts-	<p>9.1 <u>The Rainbow Centre:-</u></p> <p>The Council considered the request received from the Rainbow Centre for a Crowdfunding Campaign to raise money for a new mini bus to help combat loneliness in the rural community.</p> <p>Resolved:- that the Council agree to increase the donation to The Rainbow Centre from £200.00 to £500.00. Proposed by Cllr Warren and seconded by Cllr Turner.</p> <p>9.2 <u>Financial Report:-</u></p> <p>The bank balance as at 1st November 2017 is as follows:- Lloyds Current Account £ 25,024.47.</p> <p>To approve payments / receipts:-</p> <p>Payments:-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Chq No</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>108</td> <td>Running Costs / Payment for additional hours worked</td> <td>£190.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Chq No	Payee	Amount	108	Running Costs / Payment for additional hours worked	£190.50	
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10- Defibrillator	<p>10.1 <u>Whitewell Parish Rooms:-</u> Barlows have installed the heated cabinet at Whitewell Parish Rooms. The Clerk is to contact Andy Watts and request that he act as custodian for the defibrillator and advise what action is required to register the defibrillator with the ambulance service, setting up the defibrillator and signage.</p> <p>10.2 <u>Bronington School:-</u> Barlows are waiting for the Maintenance Section to attend to the ground works - before their electrical section can attend.</p>	RS																											
11- Barry Barlow Memorial Play Area Update	<p>11.1 <u>General Maintenance:-</u> BJ Services have forwarded the monthly play area inspection reports and provided the following update:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The grass cuttings are being collected but on the last visit it was too wet to collect so have been cut and left and will be collected; • The nylon nut protectors have been placed on the nuts; • More bark has been put done and will be topped up as necessary; • Mats have been placed around the benches; • The repairs to the spring see saw seat have been done; • The fence is yet to be done along with the concreting in the pedestrian gateway; • The hedges are still to be cut. <p>11.2 <u>Tender for works and inspection:-</u> The Council are to tender for the following works and inspection of the play area addition to the maintenance of the bus shelter:- <u>Play Area:-</u> Cut hedges - ANNUALLY Cut the grass and collect cuttings - FORTNIGHTLY - APR –SEP Weeding the bark area – FORTNIGHTLY - APR –SEP Empty bins - WEEKLY - ALL YEAR Litter pick- WEEKLY - ALL YEAR Generally tidy up the play area - WEEKLY - ALL YEAR Complete and submit monthly inspection reports - MONTHLY - ALL YEAR</p>																												

	<p>Carry out any repairs required as advised in the annual report</p> <p><u>Bus Shelter:-</u></p> <p>General tidy up (Mar - Aug)</p>	
12- Iscoyd War Memorial	<p>Cllr Robinson is yet to meet with Phillip Godsall regarding the Iscoyd War Memorial.</p>	
13- Highways	<p>Further to the request that was logged with Go Safe regarding a speeding vehicles on the A495 Bronington the following reply has been received:-</p> <p>A PCSO attended the location on three occasions on the 18th October 2017 with the hand held speed device to determine the significance of the problem. The results are as follow:-</p> <p>Average 37.23 mph Percentile 41.00 mph</p> <p>Average 38.40 mph Percentile 42.00mph</p> <p>Average 37.47mph Percentile 40.65</p> <p>Go Safe campaign have advised that they have contacted Wrexham County Council requesting a speed survey for the 40 mph and the national speed limit. Once the survey has been completed and the results are received they will advise the outcome.</p>	
14- Planning	<p>14.1 <u>Applications Received:-</u></p> <p>P/2017/0855 – Listed building consent to enlarge previously granted glassed dining area link from 3.2m to 5.0 m at Tybroughton Hall, Tybroughton Hall Road, Tybroughton</p> <p>Resolved: - The Council made no observations.</p> <p>14.2 <u>New Applications Received:-</u></p> <p>No new applications have been received.</p> <p>14.3 <u>Decisions:-</u></p> <p><u>Granted:-</u></p> <p>P/2017/0804 - Howberry Bungalow, Lower Wych Road, Lower Wych P/2017/0818 – Kiln Green, Iscoyd</p>	
15- Community Agent	<p>No update.</p>	
16- Bronington School	<p>Cllr Brodie updated the meeting as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request that the school's request for funding be included on the January agenda. There is a governors meeting later this month. 	
17- Christmas	<p>Christmas Carols round the Tree will take place on 21st December.</p> <p>Cllrs Reardon and Lewis are organising the refreshments. Volunteers are required to help at the event. The clerk is to prepare a risk assessment.</p>	RS
18- Councillors Questions	<p>18.1 Befesa Slags:- complaints have been received about the smell. The Clerk is to report the matter to the Environmental Agency.</p> <p>18.2 Proposed Village Hall:- there is a public meeting on 27th November to consider whether to reinstate the Village Hall Committee further to Barry Davies's offer to gift some land for a village hall and car parking at the proposed development in Bronington.</p> <p>18.3 Parking in Bronington:- the Clerk is to arrange a meeting with WCBC to</p>	RS

	<p>consider the options for parking on land opposite Bronington shop.</p> <p>18.4 Anti-Social Behaviour:- concerns were raised regarding a neighbour's log burner in Maesllywn Close.</p> <p>18.5 Vacant Farms:- concerns were raised regarding the two vacant farms that are owned by WCBC (Rose Vale and Woodlands). The Clerk is to contact WCBC to enquire what they intend to do with them.</p> <p>18.6 Grids:- the tarmac is breaking up by the grids outside Green Dragon Farm, Ellesmere Road, Bronington and causing punctures. The Clerk is to report the matter to Highways.</p> <p>18.7 Road Signage:- a sign has been erected at the end of Moss Lane stating that is a private road and no through road. The Clerk is to report the matter to Highways.</p> <p>18.7 Grids:- the tarmac is breaking up by the grids outside Broad Oak on the A 525. The Clerk is to report the matter to Highways.</p>	<p>RS</p> <p>RS</p> <p>RS</p> <p>RS</p> <p>RS</p>
Date of next meeting	Wednesday 17 th January 2018 – Bronington School	

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm