# Minutes of the meeting of Bronington Community Council-Held at Whitewell Parish Rooms on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.30 pm

Present	Cllrs. V Brodie (Chairman), A Reardon (Vice Chairman), D Evans, M Watson,
	A Warren, A Lewis, R Hill, R Motthershead, R Millington, P Robinson.
	19 members of the public attended part of the meeting. The Clerk.
1- Apologies	Cllrs. S Swinden, A Edwards.
2- Declarations of	None were declared.
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3- Police Update	In the absence of the police this item was not considered.
4- Adoption of the	Resolved: - The minutes of the business meeting held on Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>
minutes	May 2018 were proposed by Cllr Warren and seconded by Cllr Hill. The
	minutes were then adopted and signed as correct.
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	2018 were proposed by Cllr Warren and seconded by Cllr Hill. The minutes
	were then adopted and signed as correct.
5- 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: -
	5.1.1 Grids: - The grids on the A525 are full.
	5.1.2 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.
	5.1.3 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.
	5.1.4 Blocked grids: - Outside Redbrook House, Redbrook Maelor.
	5.1.5 Blocked Grids: - At the junction of Whitewell Road and Smokey Lane.
	5.1.6 Road Surface: - Road is breaking up again on Whitewell Road (this has
	happened before at this location due to a badger set).
	5.1.7 Potholes: - located from Fenns Lane to the junction with Brick Walls
	Lane.
	5.1.8 Potholes: - Road north of Eastwick Farm (this was due to be repaired
	two years ago) – there are two major potholes / road subsidence.
	5.1.9 Pothole: - Located at junction at Eglwys Cross.
	5.1.10 Overgrown Footpath: - From Moss Lane to Chapel Lane the grass is
	growing across the footpath and is overgrown.
	5.1.11 Conery Lane, Bronington: - Numerous potholes.
	5.1.12 Potholes: - located on Bowkers Lane.
	5.1.13 Blocked Grids: - Located on the A495.
	5.1.14 Potholes: - Located Smokey Lane and Whitewell Road are getting
	worse.
	5.1.15 Potholes: - located on Broomers Lane and Mannings Lane.
	5.1.16 Blocked Grids: - located on Whitewell Lane past Whitewell Church and
	are causing road subsidence.
	5.1.17 New Hall Lane, Bronington: - attention required to improve road

surface.

- 5.1.18 Blocked Grids: located on the A495 between School Lane and Bronington Church.
- 5.1.19 Blocked grids: located on the corner at Holly Bank and Meadow View.
- 5.1.20 Missing Sign: located in a ditch on the A495 between the church and School Lane (indicates slippy road).
- 5.1.21 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 feet wide.
- 5.1.22 Blocked Grids: located at the junction of School Lane to Nook Lane on the A 495.
- 5.1.23 Pothole: Road surface breaking up due to very deep potholes located on Back Lane and Chapel Lane, Bronington.
- 5.1.24 Pothole: located at junction on the A495 for School Lane, Bronington.
- 5.1.25 Redbrook: the tarmac is breaking up badly on the A495, this is due to the large number of wagons that use the road daily.
- 5.1.26 Pothole: located by the junction with School Lane, Bronington.
- 5.1.27 Pavement: the pavement on the A525 in Bronington is in an extremely poor state.
- 5.1.28 Whitewell Road, Whitewell: there are a number of large potholes located on Whitewell Road located beyond the turning for Whitewell Church.
- 5.1.29 Smokey Lane, Tybroughton: there are numerous potholes all over the road that are in an urgent state of repair.
- 5.1.30 A495:- the road is subsiding at on the A495 outside Springfield Farm, Bronington.
- 5.1.31 A495:- there is a large pothole on the A495 on the first bend when you turn towards Bronington at the Redbrook Maelor junction.
- 5.1.32 Overgrown footpath from Chapel Lane to Bronington village needs to be cleared and cut back as it is hazardous for pedestrians.
- 5.1.33 Road Surface: the tarmac surrounding the grids outside Green Dragon is breaking up.
- 5.1.34 Blocked Grids: located on Smokey Lane between Holly Bank and Meadow View.
- 5.1.35 Blocked Grids: located between Whitewell Church and where the badger's set was on Smokey Lane.
- 5.1.36 Grids:- the tarmac is breaking up by the grids outside Green Dragon Farm, Ellesmere Road, Bronington and causing punctures.
- 5.1.37 Road Signage:- a sign has been erected at the end of Moss Lane stating that is a private road and no through road.
- 5.1.38 Pothole:- located on A495 between Moss Lane and Chapel Lane.
- 5.1.39 Potholes:- located on to Ty Broughton Hall.
- 5.1.40 Potholes:- numerous potholes on the road from Ty Broughton to Lower Wych.
- 5.1.41 Broken Grid:- located at Chequer Corner.

- 5.1.42 Blocked Drains:- located on Grange Road, Bronington (towards Grange Farm end) flooding due to the blocked drains is affecting foundations of nearby properties.
- 5.1.43 Blocked Drains:- located from Brook Farm to Hully Cottages.
- 5.1.44 Potholes:- there are several at least 4" deep located on Broomers Lane.
- 5.1.45 Blocked gulleys:- located at Broomers Lane and causing flooding on the road and the public footpath.
- 5.1.46 Potholes:- located on the A495 between Pinfold and Redbrook several cars have had at least one burst tyre caused by the potholes extremely dangerous for drivers.
- 5.1.47 Potholes:- located at the t-junction of Drury Lane and Pond Lane.
- 5.1.48 Potholes:- located on the road going to Whitewell Church.
- 5.1.49 Removal of island on A495.
- 5.1.50 Potholes:- located on A525 at Ruscoe Corner.
- 5.1.51 Blocked Grids:- located at Grange Road / School Lane, Bronington on the A495.
- 5.1.52 Potholes:- located on Church Lane, Bronington.
- 5.2 Invite:- A representative from Highways was invited to attend either the July or September meeting of the Council. No one is able to attend. A list of the above outstanding faults has been sent to request an update as to when the works will be carried out. Cllr Brodie has since spoken with Gareth Matthews, WCBC, who advised that the road from Croxton to Redbrook Maelor is due to be repaired within the next few months. He advised that there will be no repairs carried out to the minor roads due to lack of funds available. The Council agreed not to include the list of outstanding highways faults for the time being and only to report essential repairs that are required.
- 5.3 Planning Enforcement: caravans are still being used for residential purposes at Nook Lane, Bronington. The Clerk has reported the matter to Planning Enforcement.

#### 6- Open Forum

## Befesa Slags:-

Matthew Kell Regulatory Officer, Industry Regulation Team Natural Resources Wales, spoke to the meeting regarding processing at the plant at Befesa Slags.

Residents attending the meeting raised the following concerns: -

- Noise levels;
- Offensive odours due to works at the site (worse depending on the wind direction;
- How often are inspections carried out at the site;
- The possibility of screening of the site to help reduce noise levels:
- Unloading of deliveries at the site as loads are being delivered outside the building as opposed to inside the building;
- Breach of planning regulations regarding delivery times at the site;
- Issues have been ongoing for years despite being reported to the relevant authorities many times.

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Matthew Kell encouraged residents to report all incidents by telephone to Natural Resources Wales.

The Council is to make an official complaint to WCBC and Natural Resources Wales regarding the above concerns.

### • Cae Bach Planning Application;-

Rob Middleton, Farm Adventures, spoke to the meeting about planning application P/2018/0375 - Use of approximately 7 acres of agricultural land together with existing modern farm building as a farm education and activity centre together with the erection of a toilet block, construction access arrangements and ancillary parking at Cae Bach, Ellesmere Road, Bronington.

Residents attending the meeting raised the following concerns: -

- Noise levels due to the close proximity of the church to the site;
- The volume of people attending the site at any one time;
- Whether alcohol would be permitted at the site;
- Access to the site as it is located off a dangerous road;
- Increased traffic
- Drainage concerns;
- Questioned the need for another facility in the area as there are already similar operations nearby;
- This planning application does not conform with the farm diversification for Welsh farmers in the Welsh Development Plan. The planning application doesn't demonstrate that there is a need in the local community for the development to take place. The proposed development doesn't bring anything back into the local community.

## 7- Correspondence

## 7.1 List of post received: -

Citizens Advice Bureau – request for donation

One Voice Wales – agenda AGM

Local Development Plan - Extension of Public Consultation to 16<sup>th</sup> July

7.2 List of emails forwarded to councillors: -

Marches Mosses Celebration Day Invite 6th June 2018

Issue 173 - Monday 14th May - AVOW Weekly E-Bulletin

Community Agents - Maelor South

Training Running - Spaces Available - Module 2 - The Councillor training - Llangefni Town Council - Wednesday 23rd May - 6.30-9.00

Funding Agreement for the Provision of Community Agents Scheme - t he first stakeholder group meets on: Wednesday 6th June at: 3pm At: The Rainbow Centre

AVOW's Annual General Meeting which will be held on Friday 20th July, 2018 at 10.00am (Registration and coffee at 9.30am), at the Catrin Finch Centre, Glyndŵr University, Wrexham. The Guest Speaker will be Ken Skates, AM, Welsh Government Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Transport.

Marches Mosses Celebration Day RSVP reminder

National 'Pop-In' Event

JUNE TRAINING SESSIONS - NORTH WALES

CHAIRING SKILLS TRAINING - COEDPOETH - TUESDAY 5TH JUNE - 6.30-9.00

CHAIRING SKILLS TRAINING - MOLD - THURSDAY 7TH JUNE - 6.30-9.00

DONT MISS OUT - CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING - GRESFORD - THURSDAY 14TH JUNE - 6.30-9.00 Issue 174 - Thursday 31st May - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin Wrexham Town and Community Council Forum - 21 June 2018 We have received a number of gueries from Community Councils as to why hard copies of householder planning applications are no longer being sent as part of the normal consultation process. Please find attached the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 2 February 2018 at which this decision was taken. can confirm that these minutes were issued with the Agenda for the subsequent meeting held on 22 March 2018. It was agreed that the decision to consult electronically on householder applications would commence from April 2018 and that this decision would be reviewed after 6 months. Local Development Plan Deposit - Extension of Public Consultation to 16th July Consolidation and amendment of the Use Classes Order and the Permitted Development Order Inquiry into diversity in local government Wrexham Town and Community Council Forum Kingdom Report May 2018 K Skates newsletter Mayor's Civic Visit to Church - Sunday 24 June at 11.00 a.m. Issue 175 - Monday 11th June - AVOW Weekly E-bulletin TRAINING RUNNING - SPACES AVAILABLE - CHAIRING SKILLS 8- Accounts 8.1 Financial Report: -The bank balance as at 30th May 2018 is as follows: -Lloyds Current Account £ 26,220.43 To approve payments / receipts: -Payments: -Chq No **Amount** Payee 199 £ 54.43 **Running Costs** 200 Little Red Tractor Company £ 172.80 The Clerk's salary was paid by standing order. VAT Claim submitted for the period 01/04/17 – 31/03/18 - £797.69. Resolved: - Councillors agreed to accept the Financial Report and the above payments. Proposed by Cllr Watson and seconded by Cllr Brodie. 8.2 Annual Audit: -The audit papers have been sent to the external auditor. 9- Barry Barlow 9.1 To receive update regarding repairs to equipment and agree action: -9.1.1 Poster: -**Memorial Play** Cllr Brodie has designed a poster to recruit members to form a steering **Area Update** group to help manage the play area. One member of the public has volunteered. Cllr Lewis agreed to be on the steering group. 9.1.2 Update on Repairs: -Cllr Millington updated the meeting regarding the following minor repairs he has carried out: -

Tightening up of loose nuts and bolts of the play equipment

swings at present);

including the swings (there is no need to replace the chains on the

	a. Cons on the sign.	
	Caps on the sign;	
	Cut bolts of the threads;	
	The Council thanked Cllr Millington for carrying out the works.	
	The following tasks are to be carried out: -	RS
	<ul> <li>Replacement of posts of the main play equipment (contact Ray</li> </ul>	NO
	Parry);	
	<ul> <li>Replacement of bark where required at the play area (contact Ray Parry);</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Replacement seats for the see saw (contact Ray Parry);</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Cleaning play equipment (contact Little Red Tractor Company);</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Replace fencing like for like at the site including the gates, safety</li> </ul>	
	entrapment device on the gates and picket fencing (contact three	
	companies for quotes);	
	<ul> <li>Repairs and paint of bench (contact Paul Chippenfield).</li> </ul>	
	9.2 To consider updating signage at the Play Area: -	
	The contact details on the signage is to be updated with the email address	D.C.
	for the community council.	RS
10- Iscoyd War	The Council considered the request to purchase a lawnmower to mow the	
Memorial	grass at the Iscoyd War Memorial. Mr Ian Jones has tended his resignation	
	from maintaining the war memorial. The Council recorded a vote of thanks for	
	his work.	
	The Council agreed not to erect any fencing at the site.	
	Resolved: - The Council agreed to ask the Little Red Tractor Company to mow	RS
	the grass at the Iscoyd War Memorial when they mow the play area.	
	Proposed by Cllr Brodie and seconded by Cllr Warren.	
11- Planning	11.1 Applications Received: -	
	P/2018/0375 - Use of approximately 7 acres of agricultural land	
	together with existing modern farm building as a farm education and	
	activity centre together with the erection of a toilet block, construction	
	access arrangements and ancillary parking at Cae Bach, Ellesmere	
	Road, Bronington	
	Resolved: - The Council agreed to strongly oppose this planning	
	application based on the following: -	
	<ul> <li>Noise levels due to the close proximity of the church to the</li> </ul>	
	site;	
	The volume of people attending the site at any one time;	
	Whether there would be alcohol at the site;	
	<ul> <li>Access to the site as it is located off a dangerous road;</li> <li>Increased traffic</li> </ul>	
	Drainage concerns;	
	<ul> <li>Questioned the need for another facility in the area as there</li> </ul>	
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	is a need in the local community for the development to take place. The proposed development doesn't bring anything back	

	into the local community.	
	Proposed by Cllr Reardon and seconded by Cllr Brodie.	
	11.2 New Applications Received: -	
	To consider any Planning Applications received after the agenda has	
	been distributed: -	
	P/2018/0464 - Erection of agricultural building (sheep housing, hay) at	
	Land South of Nook Cottage, Nook Lane, Bronington	
	Resolved: - The Council support the application.	
	11.3 Decisions: -	
	<u>Granted: -</u> No updates.	
12- Community	12.1 To receive update: -	
Agent	Cllr Lewis attended the meeting and informed the Council about the	
_	work carried out by Community Agents.	
	A representative from the Rainbow Centre will attend the July meeting	
	of the Council and provide an update.	
	12.2 To agree Council representative to attend the Steering Group: -	
	Resolved: - The Council agreed to appoint Cllr Lewis as the Council	
	representative. Proposed by Cllr Brodie and seconded by Cllr	
	Reardon.	
13- Bronington	Cllr Brodie informed the meeting of the visit to the school by the Bishop of St	
School	Asaph and the High Sherriff to celebrate 30 years of the school at its' present	
	site. A glass sculpture designed by pupils was unveiled to commemorate the	
	occasion.	
	The school has had its' Estyn inspection.	
	Cllr Watson attended an event recently at the school and commented on the	
	state it was in.	
14- Bronington	The Council has received a request for a financial contribution towards the	
Shop	cost of installing a burglar alarm at the shop following the recent burglary that	
	took place.	
	The Clerk has taken legal advice from One Voice Wales who have advised that	
	the Council has the legal power to support the local shop on the basis that by	
	doing so it is enhancing the social and economic well-being of the community.	
	The relevant power is the Local Government Act 2000 ss1-5 (this is known as	
	the power of well-being).	
	A quote of £99.95 plus vat for the installation of a panic button was submitted.	
	The Council agreed to defer the item until further information has been	
	obtained regarding the running costs.	
15- Councillors	15.1 Overgrown footpath: - located on the A495 opposite Bronington Church –	RS
Questions	vegetation needs removing as it is preventing pedestrians from being able	
	to use the footpath. Request to be sent to WCBC to remove vegetation.	
	15.2 Eroded footpath: - located on the A495 in Bronington on the left-hand	RS
	side after the church – footpath is breaking up in places and preventing	
	pedestrians from being able to use the footpath. Request to be sent to	
	WCBC to carry out repairs.	
16- Date of next	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2018 – Whitewell Parish Rooms	
meeting		