

**Minutes of the meeting of Bronington Community Council-  
Held at Whitewell Parish Rooms on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7.30 pm**

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| Present  | Cllrs. V Brodie, A Reardon, D Evans, A Warren, A Edwards, B Martin.<br>The Clerk. Ward Cllr R Skelland.  |   |                         |  |  |
| 1- Apologies   | Cllrs. A Lewis, R Millington, R Hill, P Robinson, M Watson.  |   |                         |  |  |
| 2- Declarations of Interest  | All Cllrs declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 12.2 of the minutes.   |   |                         |  |  |
| 3- Police Update   | In the absence of the police this item was not considered. The report has been circulated to Cllrs.  |   |                         |  |  |
| 4- Adoption of the minutes   | <b>Resolved:- The minutes of the business meeting that was held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019 were proposed by Cllr Reardon and seconded by Cllr Evans.</b>   |   |                         |  |  |
| 5- Matters Arising   | <p>The following faults remain outstanding. The Clerk has contacted Highways to enquire when the repairs / works will be completed:-</p> <p>5.1 Road Sign :- broken at Drury Lane. Clerk to follow up.</p> <p>5.2 A525:- between the bus shelter and turning for Hanmer where the burst water main was last year has caused a dip in the road. Reported to Highways.</p> <p>5.3 Speed Limits:- concerns were raised regarding speed limits on the A525 (near Eglwys Cross) and on the A495 (after Bronington village); the Clerk is to contact Highways to enquire about having the speed limit reduced to 40 mph on both roads and the costs involved. Ongoing.</p> <p>5.4 The Clerk has reported the following to Highways:-</p> <p>5.4.1 White Lines need to be painted on the A495 by the layby (near to the post box).</p> <p>5.4.2 Overgrown Hedges:- located at Painters Green, Redbrook Maelor making the pavement a safety hazard for pedestrians.</p> <p>5.4.3 Road Signs:- the Clerk has contacted WCBC and request that the signs in the ward are cleaned as many are hard to see.</p> <p>5.4.4 Blocked Grids:- located at School Lane, Bronington.</p> <p>5.4.5 Road Access:- concerns were raised regarding gates being erected on a public right of way in Lower Wych / Higher Lanes. Cllr Brodie has spoken with the resident.</p> <p>5.4.6 Road Markings:- concerns were raised regarding the road markings at Redbook Maelor junction of the A495 and A525. Cllr Martin is to provide further details for the Clerk to report to Highways.</p> <p>5.4.7 Blocked Grids:- located on Whitewell Road in the dip after the turning for Whitewell Church.</p> <p>5.4.8 Overgrown Grass:- located at Painters Green at the blind brow.</p> <p>5.4.9 Blocked Gulleys:- located on the A495 between the turning for School Lane, Bronington and the junction at Nook Lane, Bronington.</p> |   |                         |  |  |
| 6- Open Forum  | There was no consideration of this item.   |   |                         |  |  |
| 7- Correspondence  | <p>7.1 <u>List of post received:-</u></p> <table border="1"><tr><td>Thank you letter from Bronington School for grant</td></tr></table> <p>7.2 <u>List of emails forwarded to councillors:-</u></p> <table border="1"><tr><td>Ken Skates e-newsletter</td></tr><tr><td>Is there is tree in your community you would like to champion? (Woodland</td></tr></table>  | Thank you letter from Bronington School for grant | Ken Skates e-newsletter | Is there is tree in your community you would like to champion? (Woodland |  |
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|                          | Renewing our Democracy – Update   |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust Carers Survey  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | A483 Wrexham Bypass Junction 3 to 6 - Public Information Events   |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Friday 14th June 2019  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Wrexham Town and Community Council Forum - 20 June  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Actions from ICO session  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Welcome Letter - Membership of One Voice Wales for 2019-20 / Llythyr Croeso - Aelodaeth Un Llais Cymru ar gyfer 2019-20   |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | AVOW Weekly E-bulletin - Friday 21st June 2019  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | AVOW AGM Invite 2019 19 <sup>th</sup> July  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING RUNNING - SPACES AVAILABLE - GRESFORD - TUESDAY 2ND JULY - 6.30-9.00   |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | MOLD - ADVANCED FINANCE TRAINING RUNNING - SPACES AVAILABLE - TUESDAY 2ND JULY - 6.30-9.00 /  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | THE COUNCIL AS AN EMPLOYER TRAINING RUNNING - SPACES AVAILABLE - ABERGELE - TUESDAY 9TH JULY - 6.30-9.00  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | PLACES AVAILABLE - One Voice Wales' Innovative Practice Conference - 10 July 2019 - Hafod a Hendre Royal Welsh Showground   |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Free Participation Training   |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Written Statement: Non-Domestic Rates Relief for Public Lavatories  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | June crime figures  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Ken Skates newsletter   |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Community Council Stakeholder Meeting - July 10th 2019  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Wrexham Council Tenant Event  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
|                          | Wrexham Local Development Plan 2013-2028 (LDP)  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
| <b>8- Accounts</b>       | <p>8.1 <u>Financial Report:-</u></p> <p>The bank balance as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 is as follows:-</p> <p>Lloyds Current Account £ 23,548.72</p> <p><b>To approve payments / receipts:-</b></p> <p>Payments:-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Chq No</th><th>Payee</th><th>Amount</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>243</td><td>Running Costs</td><td>£ 80.97</td></tr> <tr> <td>244</td><td>Little Red Tractor Company</td><td>£ 262.80</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The Clerk's salary was paid by standing order.</p> <p><b>Resolved:- Councillors agreed to accept the Financial Report and the above payments. Proposed by Cllr Brodie and seconded by Cllr Evans.</b></p> | Chq No   | Payee | Amount | 243 | Running Costs | £ 80.97 | 244 | Little Red Tractor Company | £ 262.80 |  |
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| <b>9- Annual Audit</b>   | No update.  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |
| <b>10- Grant Process</b> | <p>The Council considered replacing the Participatory Budget with a grant process with the following:-</p> <p>Local organisations are invited to apply for grants from BCC.</p> <p>The Council allocates a certain sum, e.g. £4,000.00 towards grant payments for the financial year.</p> <p>The timetable for the grant application process is as follows:-</p>  |          |       |        |     |               |         |     |                            |          |  |

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|   | <b>Month</b>   | <b>Action</b>  |  |  |
|   | March  | Grant Application forms are to be submitted by 31st March 2020.  |  |  |
|   | April  | Grant applicants are invited to attend April Council meeting, if necessary, and to provide additional information and answer any questions the Council may have. |  |  |
|   | May  | The Council will consider the grant requests and agree amounts to be awarded.  |  |  |
|   | June   | Grants are paid to organisations for the current financial year.   |  |  |
|   | <b>Resolved:- Councillors agreed to accept the new Grant Process as outlined above and the above payments. Proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Brodie.</b>   |  |  |  |
| <b>11- Barry Barlow Memorial Play Area Update</b> | <p>WCBC has sent the annual inspection for the play area. The Clerk is to prepare a list of the works required and obtain quotes to carry out the works.</p> <p>Ace Play are to provide a quote to replace the bark.</p> <p>The Clerk is to obtain a quote to provide rubber matting to replace the bark at the play are.</p>  |  |  |  |
| <b>12- Planning</b>                               | <p>12.1 <u>Applications Received</u><br/>P/2019/0493 – two storey rear extension with new storm porch at Ross Vale Holdings, Long Lane, Bronington<br/><b>The Council made no observations.</b></p> <p>12.2 <u>New Applications Received:-</u><br/>P/2019/0508 - Siting of former BT telephone kiosk for local community to select and replace books at Whitewell Parish Rooms, Whitewell<br/><b>The Council agreed to support the application as it will be a useful asset for the community and is in keeping with the area.</b></p> <p>12.3 <u>Decisions:-</u><br/>Granted:-<br/>None received.</p> |  |  |  |
| <b>13. Community Agent</b>                        | The Rainbow centre celebrate the 25 <sup>th</sup> year of their registration as a charity and to commemorate this momentous year, and held an event for the 25 <sup>th</sup> birthday celebration on Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June.   |  |  |  |
| <b>14. Website</b>                                | The Council agreed to defer this item.   |  |  |  |
| <b>15- Community Room</b>                         | There has been a delay with the paperwork for the lease of the community room; this will be dealt with in September. Further clarification is required regarding arrangements for use of the electricity. The room is due to be cleared over the summer.   |  |  |  |
| <b>16- Bronington School</b>                      | Cllr Brodie updated the meeting regarding the end of term activities at the school.  |  |  |  |
| <b>17- One Voice Wales</b>                        | <p>To agree representative(s) to attend area quarterly meetings of One Voice Wales.</p> <p><b>Resolved:- The Council agreed for Cllrs Brodie and Edwards to act as representative(s) to attend area quarterly meetings of One Voice Wales. Proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Reardon.</b></p>  |  |  |  |
| <b>18- AOB</b>                                    | <p>18.1 <u>Meeting with Chief Executive:-</u><br/>Cllr Martin and the Clerk attended a meeting of local community councils and Darren Williams (Chief Officer, Environmental Department) and Ian</p>   |  |  |  |

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|               | <p>Bancroft, CEO, of WCBC.</p> <p>Various issues were discussed including cutting of grass verges, gulleys, street lighting, refuse collection, road signage.</p> <p>WCBC are aware there are problems and admitted that the Council was poor at communication with community councils.</p> <p>In future WCBC are looking at a better allocation of resources and clearer information regarding programmes e.g. the cutting of the grass verges is on a 10 week cycle, however different areas have different needs; there are different requirements for the emptying of gulleys in the region which WCBC need to address / prioritise.</p> <p>Planning issues were highlighted due to the lack of the Local Development Plan.</p> <p>It was suggested that there are more meetings in future.</p> <p>18.2 Blocked Gulleys:- located at Green Dragon on the A495. The Clerk is to report the matter to Highways.</p> <p>18.3 Council Priorities:- The Council are to consider forming a plan for priorities in the ward.</p> <p>18.4 Bins:- There have been problems with refuse collections by WCBC. their concerns about lack of response by WCBC when reporting faults / issues.</p> |  |
| <b>Part 2</b> | <p><b>Resolved:- The Council agreed to exclude members of the press and public due to discussion of contractual matters. Proposed by Cllr Brodie and seconded by Cllr Evans.</b></p>   |  |