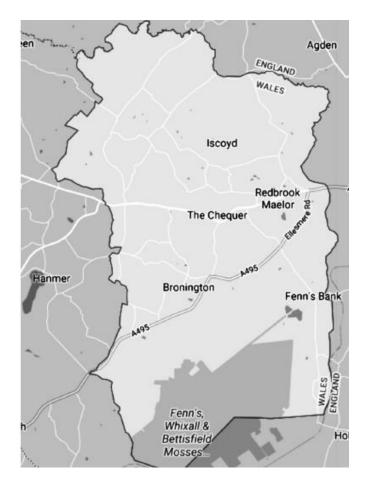
# Bronington Community Council Annual Report 2020

#### About Bronington Community Council

If you live anywhere on the map below, you are a resident of one of the three wards which are served by **Bronington Community Council**. Our area extends from Whixall Moss in the South West to Higher Wych in the North East which includes the communities of Bronington, Fenn's Bank, Redbrook Maelor, Iscoyd, Whitewell, The Chequer, Eglwys Cross and Higher Barnes. Like every Community Council in Wales, equivalent to a Parish Council in England, we are the lowest and most local tier of Government. The area that our Council covers is particularly large, nearly 9,000 acres, with a population of some 1250 people. Our job is to ensure that we properly represent and equally serve every resident in our area, and for every resident to see us as their local council.



Bronington Community Council is an elected body which represents the local residents. It is made up of 12 councillors who are either elected or co-opted onto the Council and made up of three wards. Six councillors represent the Bronington ward; four councillors represent the Iscoyd ward and two councillors represent the Tybroughton ward. All councillors are local to the area and live locally.

The role of Councillor is voluntary. The Annual (first) Meeting takes place in May. Then the Council meets once a month (except in August and December) to consider relevant local issues in order to improve and enhance the local community for the local residents. Such issues include the consideration of all planning applications in the area, reporting the state of the Highways, the improvement and maintenance of the Barry Barlow Memorial Play Area in Bronington, organising local events such as Carols around the Bronington Christmas tree by the school and to consider requests for funding from local organisations through the Grant Scheme.

Recently completed projects include the provision of a Community Room at Bronington School and upgrading the Barry Barlow play area.

We endeavour to persue road issues with WCBC and we have manged to get a number of roads repaired including the A495 at Bronington.

The Council submits a request for an annual precept from WCBC to run the Community Council to pay for various items such as insurance, clerk's salary, grants, maintenance costs of the play area, maintenance of the war memorials and the two defibrillators and also donate to local charities, the two churches and the school. The precept, which is the amount of money that the council informs Wrexham that we need to run the services that we provide including donations and grants, is raised through the Council Tax from residents living in the Bronington Community Council ward.

Bronington Community Council meets on the third Wednesday every month at 7.30pm in either Bronington School or Whitewell Parish Rooms. The agenda and minutes for every meeting are published on the Council's website (www.bronington-cc.org). Notices for meetings are displayed on the notice boards located outside Bronington shop, Ty Broughton bus shelter and Whitewell Parish Rooms. Due to the current Covid-19 situation meetings have been held remotely. Members of the public are able to join the meetings by requesting the code from the clerk.

Members of the public are more than welcome to attend the meeting and have the opportunity to speak during public participation.

#### **Grant Application Process**

Bronington Community Council has a grant process whereby local organisations are invited to apply for grants from the Community Council. The Council will allocate a set amount towards grant payments for the financial year.

The timetable for the grant application process is as follows:-

Month	Action	
March 2021	Grant Application forms are to be submitted by 31st March 2020.	
April 2021	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 2021	The Council will consider the grant requests and agree amounts to be awarded.	

#### FROM JANUARY, PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR DETAILS OF WHEN AND HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT. INFORMATION WILL BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE AND COUNCIL NOTICEBOARDS.

Grants awarded this year were to Bumblebees Pre-School for refurbishment of outdoor classrooms and Whitewell Church was given money to pay for new fencing.

Other donation during the year were made to Bronington School to buy resources to teach French, to Whitewell Church for the maintenance of the Churchyard, to Mr Clorley for the upkeep of the War Memorials, to the Jubilee Luncheon club run by Mrs Dania Groome to support them with the cost of their monthly lunches and to the following local charities: Nightingale House, The Rainbow Centre, Hope House children's Hospice and to the Wales Air Ambulance.

Under the Power of Well-being we supported Bronington Shop in the repairs of essential equipment.

# The War Memorials

The War Memorials at Iscoyd, Bronington and Tybroughton/Eglwys Cross are looked after by the Council. We ensure that the grass is kept tidy and any repairs needed are dealt with in a timely manner.



Iscoyd War Memorial



Bronington War Memorial



The newest memorial is particularly interesting.

It is in the bus shelter at Eglwys Cross and is to the memory of Albert and Bertie Cartwright who both fell in the 1914-1918 war. There is much interesting information in the bus shelter for people to read and research further through the QR code below.



# Defibrillators

Defibrillators are located outside Bronington Primary School and Whitewell Parish Rooms. They open easily by turning a handle and no code is required. All instructions for use are on the unit. They are maintained by the Community Council.

# Community Room

The Community Room is now completed and provides a facility for local organisations and members of the public to use.

For further information or bookings please contact the Community Council Clerk or phone: Mrs Brodie 01948 830396

#### Barry Barlow Memorial Play Area

This is adjacent to Maesllwyn Close on the west side of Bronington Village itself and is available for anyone to use. Facilities available are: swings, climbing equipment, roundabout and a football pitch.

Independent Annual inspections take place and equipment is repaired/re-painted accordingly. The grass is cut regularly and the hedges are maintained.

#### **List of Councillors**

BRONINGTON WARD	ISCOYD WARD	TYBROUGHTON WARD
Mrs V Brodie Brook Farm Eglwys Cross SY13 2JT Tel. 01948 830396 E: v.brodie@btinternet.com Co-opted May 2017	Mrs S Clarke Mannings Lane Cottage Painters Green Redbrook Maelor SY13 3AH E: sueclarke63@icloud.com Co-opted September 2020	Mr D Evans Little Green Farm Tybroughton Whitchurch SY13 2JW Tel: 01948 780280 Elected May 2017
Mr R Mottershead Drury Lane Farm Drury Lane Tybroughton SY13 3BD Tel. 01948 780793 E: rhmottershead@hotmail.com Co-opted February 2018	Mrs A Edwards Oaks Farm Ellesmere Road Bronington SY13 3EU Tel. 01948 780353 E: anna.edwards.oaksfarm@gmail.com Co-opted November 2017	Mr R Millington Holly Bank Tybroughton Whitchurch SY13 3BG Tel. 01948 780257 E: j.r.millington@btinternet.com Elected May 2017
Mr Rob Hill Oakfields Ellesmere Road Bronington Whitchurch SY13 3HW Tel. 01948 780287 E: r1wdt@outlook.com Co-opted June 2017 Mrs D Nunnerley 1, Old Hall, Ellesmere Road, Bronington. SY13 3HW Tel: 01948780588 E: diane.nu@btinternet.com Co-opted February 2020	Mr B Martin Redbrook Lodge Redbrook Maelor Whitchurch SY13 3ET Tel. 07771 358810 E: benedictmartin@tiscali.co.uk Co-opted January 2019 Miss A Warren Iscoyd House Broomers Lane Iscoyd SY14 3AR Tel: 01948 780555 E: benbuiegordons@gmail.com Co-opted May 2017	
Mr S Swinden Redbrook House, Rebrook Maelor, Whitchurch. SY13 3ET Tel: 07712190176 E: steve.swinden@flamefast.co.uk Co-opted Feb 2020 Mr M Watson Green Dragon	<b>Clerk:</b> Langdale, Sarn	<b>County Councillor</b> Mr Rodney Skelland
Ellesmere Road Bronington SY13 3HX Tel. 01948 780252 Elected May 2017	Malpas SY14 7LN Tel: 01948 770678 E: broningtoncommunitycouncil@ hotmail.co.uk	Tel: 07740369993 E: jrodney.skelland@btinternet.c om

#### Summary of Annual Accounts

#### Annual Return 2019 - 2020

#### **Balances Brought Forward** £ Lloyds Current Account 19,820.26 £ 19,820.26 Receipts Precept £19,000.00 £30.00 Other Income VAT Refund £1,369.55 Interest £ -£ 20,399.55 **Payments** Insurance £ 840.77 Bronington School £835.00 Clerk's Salary £ 4,169.40 Churchyard donations £ 1,000.00 Other Giving £ 1,500.00 Maintenance War Memorials £150.00 Audit fees £544.50 Running Costs £521.26 BT (wifi) £513.30 Membership £205.00 Website costs £50.00 Christmas expenses £185.00 Barry Barlow Play Area £2,581.66 Participatory Budgeting £5.000.00 Power of Well Being £214.71 Defibrillators / Cabinets £155.10 Community Room £5,779.92 VAT £1,393.76 £ 25,639.38 **Balances carried forward** £ Lloyds Current account 14,580.43

For more information about Bronington Community Council please contact the Clerk Mrs Ruth Shackleton, Langdale, Sarn, Malpas, Cheshire, SY14 7LN Tel: 01948 770 678 Email: broningtoncommunitycouncil@hotmail.co.uk Website: www.bronington-cc.org