

**Minutes of the meeting of Bronington Community Council
held at Whitewell Parish Rooms
on Wednesday 20th September 2023 at 7.00 pm**

Present	Cllrs Ryan Adams, Sarah Birch, Dave Evans, Rob Hill, Louise Lindsay, Robert Millington, Ethna Norris, Mark Watson. The Clerk. Ward Cllr Jeremy Newton. No members of the public.
1- Apologies	Cllr Sue Clarke, Ben Martin (Chair), Steve Swinden. Resolved:- In the absence of the Chair and the Vice Chair the Council agreed for Cllr Birch to chair the meeting. Proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Lindsay.
2- Declarations of Interest	There were no interests declared.
3- Police Update	The police report had been circulated previously. The Clerk has sent a request to the PCSO for the SIDS device to be used further up the A495 and on a Thursday afternoon.
4- Open Forum	Ward Cllr Newton updated the meeting regarding the following:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strike action by Council employees and the impact on Council services including Highways and refuse collection; - Hedges in New Hall Lane; - Gulleys are to due to be cleared; - His recent appointment as Foundation Governor of Bronington School.
5- Adoption of the minutes	Resolved:- Item 16.2 was amended from ‘Field Farm’ to ‘Welsh View Council House’. The Council then approved the minutes of the Business Meeting held on Wednesday 16th August 2023. Proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Watson.
6- Matters Arising	<p>6.1 Connery Lane:- Caravans being advertised to let; the Clerk has reported the matter to WCBC.</p> <p>6.2 New Hall Lane:- The hedge opposite Field Farm needs to be cut back. The Clerk has reported the matter to the Ward Cllr.</p> <p>6.3 Chequer Corner:- The conifers are overhanging onto the footpath and need to be cut back. The Clerk has reported the matter to the Ward Cllr.</p> <p>6.4 Pothole:- Located on Whitewell Road opposite Broad Oak. The Clerk has reported the matter to the Ward Cllr.</p> <p>6.5 Phone / Broadband:- Cllr Birch informed the Council that she has spoken with BT to complain about the lack of a battery.</p> <p>6.6 Dog Fouling:- The Clerk is to contact Ward Cllr Newton to request installation of dog waste bins at various locations and for WCBC to empty the bins. He has replied to advise that WCBC does not supply dog waste bins as they are classed as clinical waste; the advice from Highways is to use the general waste bins. The Council are to submit a request for locations for new waste bins to be installed.</p> <p>6.7 Signage at the BBPA:- Ward Cllr Newton is to look into signage for dog fouling to be installed at the play area since the renewal of the WCBC Dog Fouling and Dog Control Public Space Protection Order.</p>

7- Corres.	List previously circulated.															
8- Audit	The Clerk has responded to various queries raised by the Audit Wales office regarding the external audit.															
9- Accounts	<p>9.1 <u>Financial Year 2023 – 2024:-</u> The reconciled bank balance as at 1st September 2023 is as follows:- Lloyds Current Account £ 24,365.42.</p> <p>9.2 <u>Payments:-</u> To approve the following payments:-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Chq</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>Running Costs</td> <td>£ 39.55</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>Little Red Tractor Company</td> <td>£ 262.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online</td> <td>COMMUNITY ROOM:- Barlows PAT testing</td> <td>£ 60.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>ICO</td> <td>£ 35.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The Clerk's salary was paid by standing order. Receipts:- Precept - £7,666.67 Coffee Morning - £135.00 Resolved: - Councillors agreed to accept the Financial Report and to approve the above payments. Proposed by Cllr Watson and seconded by Cllr Adams.</p>	Chq	Payee	Amount	Online	Running Costs	£ 39.55	Online	Little Red Tractor Company	£ 262.80	Online	COMMUNITY ROOM:- Barlows PAT testing	£ 60.00	DD	ICO	£ 35.00
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10- Planning	<p>10.1 <u>Applications Received:-</u> There have been no planning applications received.</p> <p>10.2 <u>New Applications Received:-</u> None received.</p> <p>10.3 <u>Decisions:-</u> <u>Granted</u> P/2023 /0271 - Moss Villa Chapel Lane Bronington P/2023/0521 - Mereside Industrial Bank Fenns Bank Road Fenns Bank</p>															
11- Barry Barlow Play Area	<p>11.1 <u>Update:-</u> Cllr Adams advised that the working party is planning to repair the remaining posts by the end of October.</p> <p>11.2 <u>Annual Inspection:-</u> Cllr Adams advised that the steering group are working through the list of issues that were raised in the annual inspection.</p>															
12- Community Room	<p>12.1 <u>Management:-</u> Cllr Birch advised that she and Cllr Martin have met with the school to discuss the renewal of the lease and to enquire about additional storage / space.</p> <p>12.2 <u>Maintenance:-</u> The damaged toilet seat has now been replaced.</p> <p>12.3 <u>Risk Assessment:-</u> Work in progress</p> <p>12.4 <u>Coffee Mornings:-</u> September – Higher Wych School Charity (the Craft Group will be selling knitted poppies for RBL.) October – Friendship Club November – Guide Dogs (not match funded)</p>															

	December – Bronington Church (not match funded)
13- Fire Service Consultation	Cllr Adams is to circulate a response to the Fire Service plans to reduce coverage in the Wrexham area.
14- Community Ownership Funding	The Council suggested some ideas for projects; this is to be discussed in more detail at the October meeting.
15- Annual Report	Work is in progress to prepare the annual report for 2022 – 2023.
16- Roads Working Group	No update.
17- Defibrillators	Cllr Adams suggested that the Council arrange defibrillator training for the local community. The Clerk is to look into the matter. Cllr Norris agreed to take over the guardianship for the defibrillator located in Iscoyd. Cllr Martin is to take over from Cllr Birch the guardianship for the defibrillator located in Bronington.
18- To receive update(s) from outside organisations	There were no updates.
19- AOB	There was no consideration of this item.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm