

Minutes of the meeting of Bronington Community Council
held at Bronington Community Room
on Wednesday 19th February 2025 at 7.30 pm

Present`	Cllrs Sue Clarke, Anna Edwards, Rob Hill, Robert Millington, Louise Lindsay, Ben Martin, (Chairperson), Ethna Norris, Ian Rowley, Steve Swinden. The Clerk. Five members of the public attended part of the meeting.																
1- Apologies	Cllrs Ryan Adams, Dave Evans, Mark Watson																
2- Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.																
3- Police Update	The police report had been circulated previously.																
4- Open Forum	The following issues / concerns were raised by residents:- - Behaviour of rescue dogs at a dwelling in Bronington. - Retrospective Planning Application P/2025/0085. - Speeding vehicle on the A495.																
5- Adoption of the minutes	Resolved:- The Council approved the minutes of the Business Meeting held on 15th January 2025. Proposed by Cllr Lindsay and seconded by Cllr Swinden.																
6- Matters Arising	6.1 Overgrown Hedges:- The overgrown hedges on New Hall Lane are due to be cut back further. 6.2 Static Caravan:- The Council discussed the recent comments made on social media regarding the static caravan at Lily Pit Farm; the Council has a duty to report any residents concerns that are made to the Community Council to WCBC.																
7- Corres.	List previously circulated.																
8- Accounts	8.1 <u>Financial Year 2024 – 2025:-</u> The reconciled bank balance as at 31 st January 2025 is as follows:- Lloyds Current Account £ 27,671.95. 8.2 <u>Payments:-</u> To approve the following payments:- <table border="1" data-bbox="430 1433 1500 1657"> <thead> <tr> <th>Chq</th><th>Payee</th><th>Amount</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Online</td><td>Running Costs</td><td>£ 33.69</td></tr> <tr> <td>Online</td><td>Little Red Tractor Company (Jan 25)</td><td>£ 262.80</td></tr> <tr> <td>Online</td><td>DONATION:- Homestart</td><td>£ 305.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Online</td><td>DONATION:- Bronington Church</td><td>£ 194.00</td></tr> </tbody> </table> The Clerk's salary was paid by standing order. <u>Receipts:-</u> Coffee Morning for November - £283; Yoga Classes – £90.00 Resolved: - Councillors agreed to accept the Financial Report and to approve the above payments. Proposed by Cllr Norris and seconded by Cllr Swinden.		Chq	Payee	Amount	Online	Running Costs	£ 33.69	Online	Little Red Tractor Company (Jan 25)	£ 262.80	Online	DONATION:- Homestart	£ 305.00	Online	DONATION:- Bronington Church	£ 194.00
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9- Internal Audit	Resolved:- The Council agreed to instruct Jake Gurr to carry out the annual internal audit for the Council at a cost of £125.00 plus VAT. Proposed by Cllr Norris and seconded by Cllr Swinden.																
10- Councillor	Cllrs were reminded about the Councillor Allowance payment of £156.00																

Allowance	that is due to be paid in March.
11- Grant Application Process	The notice is to be placed on the noticeboards and website, Cllrs are to share the notice on social media.
12- Planning	<p>12.1 <u>Applications Received:-</u> P/2025/0014 – works to trees protected by tree preservation order at Brunette Cottage, Tybroughton Observations:- The Council made no observations.</p> <p>P/2025/0085 – variation of condition 2 of planning permission P/2022/0792 to amend design of building / dwelling at Willmore, The Chequer Observations:- The Council agreed to object based on the following:- - Sets a Precedent:- The Council has concerns as this is a retrospective planning application as the work has already been carried out to the property. - Variation in approved Planning Application:- The work that has already been carried out to the property varies considerably from the original plans that were submitted and approved in terms of an increase in height and an increase in footprint. - Loss of Privacy:- The windows have been installed in the gable end at the property which overlook the neighbouring properties. Resolved: - Councillors agreed to accept the above observations. Proposed by Cllr Martin and seconded by Cllr Rowley.</p> <p>12.2 <u>New Applications Received:-</u> No new applications have been received.</p> <p>12.3 <u>Decisions:-</u> No updates</p>
13- Vehicle Activated Signage (VAS)	<p>WCBC are due to install the posts for the VAS's at the agreed locations on the A495 and A525.</p> <p>The Council discussed concerns about the condition of the roads and the speed limits on the A495 including the reverse camber on the A495 near to Bronington church.</p> <p>It is hoped that data obtained from the new VAS's will provide data / evidence to request any reduction in speed limits.</p> <p>The Council discussed using the VAS's at other locations including at the junction on the A525 for Iscoyd and additional road markings to slow traffic; this will be considered once the VAS's are up and running.</p>
14- Barry Barlow Play Area	Cllr Martin is to carry out a site inspection due to the recent wet weather conditions.
15- Community Room	<p>15.1 <u>Updates:-</u> There was no consideration of this item.</p> <p>15.2 <u>Coffee Mornings:-</u> The coffee morning this month is in aid of the Higher Wych School Charity.</p> <p>15.3 <u>Risk Assessment:-</u> Cllr Martin is to check the current risk assessment.</p>
16- Annual Report	The draft Annual Report to cover both 2023 and 2024 has been prepared; Cllr Martin is to circulate the draft to the Council before publication.

17- Roads Working Group	There was no consideration of this item.
18- Land Opposite Bronington Shop	<p>The Clerk has written to the Hanmer Estate to request permission to carry out the works at the site.</p> <p>The Hanmer Estate advised that they are currently in negotiations with the new owners of Bronington Shop regarding the land as the agreement with the Council had been voided due to non-payment of rent for the land by the Council.</p> <p>It was noted that the Council had not received an invoice or any reminders in respect of payment.</p> <p>The Council agreed to formally respond to Hanmer Estate regarding the situation.</p>
19- Defibrillators	No updates.
20- Possible Council Name Change	<p>The Council discussed a possible name change to make it appear more inclusive for all parts of the ward.</p> <p>This involves a formal process including consultation with residents.</p> <p>Cllr Martin is to re-circulate his report regarding the subject.</p>
21- Historic Community Fundraising	The Council discussed what action to take regarding funds that were raised from Historic Community Fundraising and agreed to write to the ex-committee members.
22- To receive update(s) from outside organisations	There was no consideration of this item.
23- AOB	There was no consideration of this item.

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm