



# Bronington Community Council

serving the wards of Iscoyd, Bronington and Tybroughton

## Minutes of the meeting held at Whitewell Parish Rooms on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 7.30 pm

<b>Present</b>	<p>Cllrs Ryan Adams, Sue Clarke, Dave Evans, Rob Hill, Robert Millington, Louise Lindsay, Ben Martin, (Chairperson), Ethna Norris, Steve Swinden, Mark Watson.</p> <p>The Clerk. PCSO Lisa Marie Davies.</p> <p>Three members of the public attended part of the meeting.</p>
<b>1- Apologies</b>	<p>Cllr Ian Rowley</p>
<b>2- Declarations of Interest</b>	<p>Cllr Lindsay declared a pecuniary interest in item 12.1.2 as she is related to the applicant.</p>
<b>3- Police Update</b>	<p>The police report had been circulated previously.</p> <p>PCSO Lisa Marie Davies attended the meeting and updated the meeting as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- No crimes have been reported.</li><li>- Advised that crimes included on the monthly statistics only include burglary, ASB, violence, domestic, sexual. Thefts from outbuildings are not included.</li><li>- All crimes need to be reported to the police (by calling 101 or 999 – depending on the crime or online using the police webchats)</li></ul> <p>The Council agreed for the police to give attention to the following priorities:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1/ Speeding on the A495 (especially from the entrance to the Farm Adventure site to the Hanmer junction).</li><li>2/ Speeding on the A525 (especially cars speeding when turning off the A525 onto the narrow lanes).</li><li>3/ Parking at bus stops.</li><li>4/ Anti-social behaviour of dogs at a property in Bronington (concerns regarding safety for residents and schoolchildren as the dogs have escaped).</li></ol> <p>The Council expressed concerns that thefts from outbuildings are not included in the police statistics and agreed to contact neighbouring community councils to discuss the concerns and see what action can be taken.</p>
<b>4- Open Forum</b>	<p>The following issues / concerns were raised by residents:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Planning Application P/2021/0060:- A resident spoke to the meeting regarding issues relating to their planning application.</li><li>- VE Day:- A resident spoke to the meeting about commemorating the</li></ul>

	80 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE and VJ day.																																									
5- Adoption of the minutes	<b>Resolved:- The Council approved the minutes of the Business Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025.</b> <b>Proposed by Cllr Norris and seconded by Cllr Hill.</b>																																									
6- Matters Arising	6.1 New Hall Lane:- The Clerk is to contact Ward Cllr Newton regarding cutting back the hedges before the end of the month.																																									
7- Corres.	List previously circulated.																																									
8- Accounts	<div>8.1 <u>Financial Year 2024 – 2025:-</u> The reconciled bank balance as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025 is as follows:- Lloyds Current Account £ 26,329.24.</div> <div>8.2 <u>Payments:-</u> To approve the following payments:-</div> <table><tr><th>Chq</th><th>Payee</th><th>Amount</th></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Running Costs</td><td>£ 33.69</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Little Red Tractor Company (Feb 25)</td><td>£262.80</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Adams - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Clarke - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Edwards - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Hill - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Lindsay - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Martin - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Millington-Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Norris - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Swinden - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Cllr Rowley - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25</td><td>£156.00</td></tr></table> <div>The Clerk’s salary was paid by standing order. <u>Receipts:-</u> None Received. <b>Resolved: - Councillors agreed to accept the Financial Report and to approve the above payments.</b> <b>Proposed by Cllr Norris and seconded by Cllr Swinden.</b></div> <div>8.3 <u>Membership of One Voice Wales 2025 - 2026:-</u> <b>Resolved: - The Council agreed to renew the annual membership of One Voice Wales.</b> <b>Proposed by Cllr Millington and seconded by Cllr Watson.</b></div>			Chq	Payee	Amount	Online	Running Costs	£ 33.69	Online	Little Red Tractor Company (Feb 25)	£262.80	Online	Cllr Adams - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Clarke - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Edwards - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Hill - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Lindsay - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Martin - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Millington-Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Norris - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Swinden - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00	Online	Cllr Rowley - Councillor Expenses Payment 24 - 25	£156.00
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9- External Audit	<div>9.1 <u>Reports:-</u> The External Audit report for financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 were circulated to Councillors.</div> <div>9.2 <u>Audit opinion for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024:-</u> “<b>Auditor General’s report and audit opinion</b> I certify that I have completed the audit of the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2024 of Bronington Community Council. My audit has been conducted on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales and in accordance with the requirements of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 (the 2004 Act) and guidance issued by the Auditor General</div>																																									

	<p>for Wales.</p> <p><b>Audit opinion: Unqualified</b></p> <p>On the basis of my audit, in my opinion no matters have come to my attention to give cause for concern that, in any material respect, the information reported in this Annual Return:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has not been prepared in accordance with proper practices;</li> <li>• that relevant legislative and regulatory requirements have not been met;</li> <li>• is not consistent with the Council's governance arrangements; and</li> <li>• that the Council does not have proper arrangements in place to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources.</li> </ul> <p><b>Other matters and recommendations</b></p> <p>9.3 <u>Notice:-</u></p> <p>The Notice of Conclusion of Audit and Rights to inspect the Annual Return for the years ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 has been posted on the website.</p>
<b>10- Community Review</b>	<p>The Council considered their formal response to WCBC regarding changing the name of the Council. Bronington Community Council wish to change the name so as it is more inclusive of all the three wards of Bronington, Ty Broughton and Iscoyd.</p> <p>Cllr Martin is to prepare the wording to be included on the questionnaire.</p>
<b>11- Grant Application Process</b>	<p>The notice has been placed on the noticeboards and website, Cllrs are to share the notice on social media.</p>
<b>12- Planning</b>	<p>12.1 <u>Applications Received:-</u></p> <p>12.1.1 P/2025/0163 - erection of storage building ancillary to haulage yard at Lloyd Watson Haulage Ltd, The Boundary Garage, Ellesmere Road, Bronington</p> <p><b>Observations:-</b></p> <p>The Council agreed to defer the item.</p> <p>12.1.2 P/2021/0060 – Amended plans - 6 glamping pods and associated groundworks at Brook Barn Lane from Whitewell Holding to St Marys Church Whitewell</p> <p><b>Observations:-</b></p> <p>The Council support the application.</p> <p>12.1.3 P/2025/0178 – variation of condition 2 of planning permission P/2021/0475 to amend design of outbuilding at Lodge Cottage, Drury Lane, Tybroughton</p> <p><b>Observations:-</b></p> <p>The Council made no observations.</p> <p>12.1.4 P/2025/0183 – erection of roof covering over existing agricultural yard at Cranberry Farm, Drury Lane, Tybroughton</p> <p><b>Observations:-</b></p> <p>The Council support the application.</p>

	<p><b>Resolved: - Councillors agreed to accept the above observations.</b></p> <p><b>Proposed by Cllr Norris and seconded by Cllr Swinden.</b></p> <p>12.2 <u>New Applications Received:-</u> No new applications have been received.</p> <p>12.3 <u>Decisions:-</u> Granted:- P/2025/0014 - Brunette Cottage, Tybroughton</p>
<b>13- Vehicle Activated Signage (VAS)</b>	<p>Cllr Martin updated the meeting regarding the amended locations on the A495 and the A525 for three of the four of the posts that the VAS's are to be attached to; he is to email these to Cllrs.</p> <p>The fourth post on the A525 is due to be installed later in the year at an agreed location.</p> <p>WCBC are due to install the posts for the VAS's soon.</p>
<b>14- Barry Barlow Play Area</b>	<p>Work to the remaining posts of the multi use play equipment is due to be carried out at the end of April.</p> <p>Cllr Martin commented on the overall tidy appearance of the play area.</p> <p>The box of games is to be made available during the Easter holidays.</p>
<b>15- Community Room</b>	<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 charities supported by the Rotary Club. Funds of £214.00 were raised in aid of Higher Wych Charity at the February coffee morning. Funds raised at the March coffee morning are to be in aid of Riding for the Disabled.</p> <p>15.3 <u>Risk Assessment:-</u> Cllr Martin is to check the current risk assessment.</p>
<b>16- Annual Report</b>	<p>The draft Annual Report to cover both 2023 and 2024 is due to be published on the website.</p>
<b>17- Roads Working Group</b>	<p>Cllr Martin updated the meeting regarding the defibrillator that is located in Bronington.</p>
<b>18- Land Opposite Bronington Shop</b>	<p>Cllr Martin updated the meeting regarding the lapse of the lease with the Hanmer Estate and the disappointment as the Council's proposed enhancement works to transform the area will now not take place.</p>
<b>19- Defibrillators</b>	<p>No updates.</p>
<b>20- Possible Council Name Change</b>	<p>See item 10.</p>
<b>21- Historic Community Fundraising</b>	<p>Cllr Martin is due to prepare a letter to send to the ex-committee members regarding funds that were raised from Historic Community Fundraising.</p>
<b>22- VE Day Commemorations</b>	<p>The Council discussed commemorating VE and VJ day. It was agreed to form a working party made up of the Council, school, local churches and other interested parties to host an open meeting to discuss ways to support / fund / host events to commemorate VE and VJ Day in the local area.</p>

<b>23- To receive update(s) from outside organisations</b>	There was no consideration of this item.
<b>24- Any Other Ward Business</b>	<p>To receive any updates from the Wards:-</p> <p><u>Ty Broughton:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concerns were raised regarding hunt saboteurs.</li> <li>- Blocked Grids and potholes (Cllrs are to advise the Clerk of specific locations which are to be reported to WCBC).</li> </ul> <p><u>Iscoyd:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Drainage concerns on Broomers Lane (the Clerk is to follow up the proposed works by WCBC with Ward Cllr Newton)</li> <li>- Bench and Gateway entrance signage to be considered at the April meeting.</li> </ul> <p><u>Bronington:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- n/a</li> </ul>

**The meeting closed at 8.55 pm**