



Bronington Community Council

serving the wards of Iscoyd, Bronington and Tybroughton

Minutes of the meeting of Bronington Community Council held at Whitewell Parish Rooms on Wednesday 17th September 2025 at 7.00 pm

Present	Cllrs Sharon Beddow, Anna Edwards, Dave Evans, Louise Lindsay, Ben Martin (Chairperson), Robert Millington, Ethna Norris, Ian Rowley. The Clerk. No members of the public attended the meeting.									
1- Apologies	Cllrs Sue Clarke, Rob Hill, Steve Swinden, Mark Watson.									
2- Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.									
3- Police Update	The police report had been circulated previously. The Clerk has contacted the PCSO and she has sent a list of which incidents are included on the report. The Council discussed concerns that commercial thefts were not included on the list of incidents as many residents living in the ward work from home. The Clerk is to write to the police to explain this and to request that the police attend the next Council meeting. Residents are advised to report any suspicious activity to the police.									
4- Open Forum	There was no consideration of this item.									
5- Adoption of the minutes	Resolved:- The Council approved the minutes of the Business Meeting held on Wednesday 20th August 2025. Proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Norris.									
6- Matters Arising	There was no consideration of this item.									
7- Corres.	List previously circulated.									
8- Training Plan	Cllrs are to advise Cllr Lindsay, by the end of September, of which training courses they wish to attend before Christmas so as the training plan can be updated and the Clerk can making the bookings with One Voice Wales. Cllr Lindsay is to work with the Clerk with co-ordinating the training.									
9- Accounts	9.1 <u>Financial Year 2025 – 2026:-</u> The reconciled bank balance as at 1st September 2025 is as follows:- Lloyds Current Account £30,528.18 9.2 <u>Payments:-</u> Cllr Martin has spoken with Bronington school regarding the invoice and advised of the correct hours to be charged. To approve the following payments:- <table><tr><th>Chq</th><th>Payee</th><th>Amount</th></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Running Costs</td><td>£ 74.29</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>Little Red Tractor Company (Jul 25)</td><td>£ 262.40</td></tr></table>	Chq	Payee	Amount	Online	Running Costs	£ 74.29	Online	Little Red Tractor Company (Jul 25)	£ 262.40
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	Online	Sloane and Co (Bench) this has been paid	£ 674.10
	Online	HMRC PAYE	£ 68.35
	Online	DONATION: Bradbury Centre	£ 215.00
	Online	Action Play and Leisure	£7,400.00
	The Clerk's salary was paid by standing order. <u>Receipts:-</u> Coffee Morning donations – none Resolved: - Councillors agreed to accept the Financial Report and to approve the above payments. Proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Lindsay. 9.3 <u>Bank Signatory:-</u> The Clerk is in the process of adding Cllr Lindsay as a bank signatory.		
10- External Audit 2024-25	The external auditors report has yet to be received.		
11- Planning	11.1 <u>Applications Received:-</u> P/2025/0586 - Change of use of two existing holiday lets to one dwelling at Barn Cottages Broomers Lane Iscoyd Resolved:- The Council agreed to support the application. Proposed by Cllr Martin and seconded by Cllr Evans. 11.2 <u>New Applications Received:-</u> No new applications have been received. 11.3 <u>Decisions:-</u> Granted:- P/2025/0356 - Brunett Farm, Tybroughton P/2025/0498 - High Ash, Little Green, Bronington		
12- Vehicle Activated Signage (VAS)	The meeting of the Roads Working Group has been rescheduled to next week. The Clerk has contacted Ward Cllr Newton to enquire what action can be taken regarding concerns about speeding in Fenns Bank. Resurfacing:- Ward Cllr Newton sent a report advising that WCBC has had a grant from Welsh Government of £5 million. He has been asked alongside for some resurfacing works to be considered and has put forward for consideration parts of the A525 and the A495, parts of School Lane, Striga Bank and the Lane going out of HG heading towards Hanmer The Dragon Pothole patcher:- WCBC is assessing the longevity of the work and putting a financial argument together The Council is to submit a list of pothole repairs required in the ward.		
13- Roads Working Group	See item 13.		
14- Barry Barlow Play Area	14.1 <u>Updates:-</u> Cllr Martin updated the meeting regarding the installation of the new play equipment by Action Play and Leisure. The old equipment is due to be dismantled and it is hoped to reuse some items and incorporate it into the new equipment. A risk assessment is to be		

	prepared for the work. The Council is to put safety tape at the site and advise residents via social media of the works. Resolved:- The Council agreed to pay the 25% deposit of £7,400.00 to Action Play and Leisure. Proposed by Cllr Martin and seconded by Cllr Millington. 14.2 <u>New Equipment:-</u> There has been a meeting of the BBPA Working Group to discuss plans and additional equipment; the quotes are to be presented to the Council at the next meeting for consideration. Before and after aerial photos of the site are to be taken by drone.
15- Community Room	15.1 <u>Updates:-</u> The Council are looking to put up old photos of the area to decorate the walls in the Community Room. (e.g. schools, buildings, churches etc) Cllrs Lindsay and Swinden are to arrange a meeting with the leaders of the Brownies and Guides to touch base and to discuss usage of the Community Room. 15.2 <u>Coffee Mornings:-</u> A total of £152.00 was raised at the August coffee morning; this is to be ringfenced in the accounts for improvements to the Community Room.
16- Annual Reports	16.1 <u>2023 and 2024:-</u> Cllr Martin and Lindsay are due to meet to finalise the Annual Report for it to be posted on the website. 16.2 <u>2025:-</u> The 2024 – 25 accounts have been added; the report is to be circulated to Cllrs and then posted on the website.
17- Street Furniture	17.1 <u>Bench:-</u> The Clerk has placed the order with Sloane and Sons for a teak bench with wooden carving characters in Welsh ('Aros, Gwrandewch, Mwynhewch'); the proof has been approved and payment has been made by bank transfer. Delivery is due this month. 17.2 <u>Noticeboard for Bronington:-</u> The Parish Noticeboard Company is due to deliver the noticeboard next week.
18- Higher Wych School Representative	Cllr Martin has spoken with Philip Godsall regarding their representative on the Higher Wych School Charity and updated the meeting. Resolved:- The Council agreed to appoint a representative on the Higher Wych School Charity in June 2026, in the meantime Chris Smith will act as the Council's representative. Proposed by Cllr Martin and seconded by Cllr Lindsay.
19- Dates and Venues for 2026 meetings	The Council agreed to the following dates and venues for Council meetings in 2026:- Wednesday 21st January – Whitewell Parish Rooms Wednesday 18th February – Bronington Community Room Wednesday 18th March – Whitewell Parish Rooms Wednesday 15th April – Bronington Community Room Wednesday 20th May – Whitewell Parish Rooms Wednesday 17th June – Bronington Community Room

	Wednesday 22nd July – Whitewell Parish Rooms Wednesday 19th August - Bronington Community Room Wednesday 16th September – Whitewell Parish Rooms Wednesday 21st October – Bronington Community Room Wednesday 18th November – Whitewell Parish Rooms Wednesday 16th December - Bronington Community Room
20- Defibrillators	The 'used by' dates for pads and batteries for the defibrillators are to be checked.
21- To receive updates from outside organisations	No updates.
22- Any Other Ward Business	To receive any updates from the Wards:- <u>Tybroughton:-</u> - Cllr Lindsay commented on the cameras in The Strift. <u>Iscoyd:-</u> - Cllr Martin spoke to the meeting about the recently installed WCBC Tourism Information board in the lay by in Redbook Maelor and the lack of local places of interest. <u>Bronington:-</u> - Cllrs discussed plans for Christmas including new lights and Father Christmas (Whitchurch Rotary will no longer be visiting Bronington and surrounding villages). Cllr Beddow is to look into what is involved and report back at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm