## **BROUGHTON & BRETTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

## POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR INFORMATION REQUESTS

- 1. Broughton & Bretton Community Council is committed to the Freedom of Information Act and will meet all obligations so required under it.
- 2. Wherever possible Broughton & Bretton Community Council will provide additional information beyond the limited requirements of the Act but will be conscious of the Data Protection Act and Copyright.
- 3. Only ratified Council documents, including approved minutes, will be made available. Draft documents will not normally be made available.
- 4. Requests for information may be made in person, by email or letter.
- 5. Wherever possible, callers will be provided with all permitted information at that time. If this is not possible, they will be informed as to when the information will be available.
- 6. Requests by email or letter will be handled in a logical manner. If the information is available on the Community Council website, those enquiring by email will be so directed.
- 7. Where the information is to be provided in hard copy form, the Council reserves the right to make a nominal charge to cover costs.
- 8. The Clerk's office will aim to satisfy all information requests within 5 working days at the latest. Where documents are not yet ratified, the enquirer will be informed of the likely date when they would be available.
- 9. A record will be kept of all requests met by hard copy together with the amount charged.