



Minutes of the Hybrid meeting of
BROUGHTON AND BRETTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
held on
18th February 2025

PRESENT: Councillor Chrissy Gee (Chairman)

Councillors: Jeffrey Brett-Roberts, Penny Brett-Roberts, Barrie Gregory, Ros Griffiths, Ryan McKeown, and Billy Mullin.

Officers: Sharron G Jones, Clerk & Financial Officer
Georgey Griffiths, Assistant Clerk

Others: None

133/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Klaus Armstrong-Braun, Sam Jennings, Mike Lowe, Sara Mason and Gareth Williams.

134/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none.

135/24 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 21st January 2025 be approved as a correct record, save and except that, the Clerk and Financial Officer wished to add that the payment for the library was circa £13k not £11k and that the comments about the NNDR be looked into.

136/24 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were none.

137/24 JOINT SERVICES COMMITTEE:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Joint Services Committee meetings held on 20th November 2024 and 22nd January 2025, be approved and noted.

138/24 VACANCIES IN THE BROUGHTON NORTH EAST AND SOUTH WARD:

The Clerk and Financial Officer shared that both vacancies had been put on the Community Council website and shared on social media.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the update be noted.

139/24 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS:

The Chairman had no new updates.

PLANNING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE:

140/24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS:

IT WAS RESOLVED:

(a) County Council Members:

It was noted that the participation of those Councillors who were also Members of the County Council, in both the debate and subsequent vote, was on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information made available to the Community Council. The County Councillors reserved their final views on the applications until they were in full possession of all relevant arguments for and against.

- (b) That the County Planning Authority be advised of this Council's observations on the applications submitted to it for consideration, as per the attached schedule.
- (c) That the planning decisions be noted.
- (d) There were no planning appeals.

141/24 POLICE MATTERS:

Members had no new items to report, but asked if the PCSO Enfys Roberts could be invited to future meetings again.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that PCSO Enfys Roberts be sent the dates for the 2025 Council meetings.

142/24 HIGHWAYS/STREETSCENE MATTERS:

Members raised the following concerns:

- The trees by the Offa's Dyke Pub were still overgrown and covered the street light.
- Residents had repeatedly asked for nappy bins and once they received them, they had not been added to the collection rota which meant that they piled up.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the issues be submitted to John Griffiths, Senior Highways Officer, for action.

143/24 COUNTY MEMBERS ITEMS:

A member asked whether the Recycling Hub at Broughton Library could be advertised more widely as a lot of residents had not been made aware of the facility. The Clerk and Financial Officer said that she will produce a poster and add it to the Community Council website and social media.

A member reported that a tree on Greenfield Road in the grounds of Broughton CP School had caused sufficient damage to a resident's fence. The school had been contacted and awaited a call from Dewi Ellis, Flintshire County Council, to assess the condition of the tree.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the details of the Recycling Hub at Broughton Library be added to the Community Council Website.

144/24 MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:

Members had nothing to report.

145/24 CHESHIRE WEST AND CHESTER TO GET 15M GOVERNMENT FUNDING TO FIX POT HOLES:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the information be noted.

LIGHTING AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE:

146/24 STREET LIGHTING:

As above, a member reported that the trees had still not been cut back and continued to cover the street light outside the Offas Dyke Public House.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the overgrown tree be reported again to Flintshire County Council.

147/24 FINANCE AND STAFFING COMMITTEE:

130/24 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the list of payments in the sum of £11,918.52 for February, be approved.

148/24 BANK RECONCILIATION:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the bank reconciliation for the period ending 31st January be noted.

149/24 CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised that the cost to the council for the Service Level Agreement in February had been £6,689.28

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the update.