

**MINUTES OF BROOKTHORPE-WITH-WHADDON
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT BROOKTHORPE VILLAGE HALL ON
TUESDAY 1 APRIL 2025 AT 7.45PM**

Present:	Cllr John Hendry	(Chair)	
	Cllr Paul Gaze	(Vice-Chair)	
	Cllr Eric Hibbert		
	Cllr Rhodri Stokes-Rhys		
	Cllr Kirk Walton	(from Item 4)	
In attendance:	Tina Balgobin	(Clerk)	Reporting
	Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes	(District Councillor)	
	2 Members of the Public		

PARISHONER QUESTIONS:

There were no questions.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received and accepted from County Councillor Susan Williams.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA:

Cllr Eric Hibbert declared an Interest in Agenda Items 8 and 9.

3. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 MARCH 2025:

The minutes were duly signed by the Chair as an accurate record of the meeting.

4. TO CONSIDER CO-OPTION REQUESTS:

A co-option request had been received from Mr Kirk Walton and circulated prior to the meeting. The Parish Council unanimously agreed to co-opt Mr Walton who signed his acceptance of office and joined the meeting.

5. REPORTS:

- (a) County Councillor Susan Williams, the County Councillor report had been received and circulated to the Members prior to the meeting.
- (b) District Councillor Demelza Turner-Wilkes gave an update on Stroud District Council business including the letter sent to the Planning Inspectors on the local plan, the District Council are awaiting a response. Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes suggested creating a working party to look at planning in the Parish and recommendations would be brought back to the Parish council for consideration. It was agreed that Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes would send a proposal to the Clerk and the Parish Council would consider it at the May meeting. Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes advised that Quedgeley Town Council would be holding a meeting on the 16 April to look at Infrastructure and Roads and were inviting adjoining parishes / town councils to attend to see if

they could work together on this project. Cllr Rhodri Stokes-Rhys advised that he would attend the meeting at 2.30pm on the 16 April.

6. TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE PROPOSED WHADDON FIELDS DEVELOPMENT AND LOCAL PLAN:

There was no update at this meeting.

7. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ST SWITHUNS CHURCH:

The Trustees will be visiting at 2.30pm on the 13th of May.

8. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON EBR 25 / 26:

The Council received a report on PROW EBR 25 / 26 from Cllr Eric Hibbert with suggested improvements including access and agreed to update the Council during its next meeting.

9. TO DISCUSS THE TRAVELLER SITE EXPANSION:

Cllr Eric Hibbert gave an update on the above.

10. FINANCE:

(a) **Accounts for payment.** The following accounts were presented for payment:

Accounts for payment April 2025			
Payee	Chq Number	Amount	Reason
T Balgobin	1299	£ 519.12	Salary / Expenses (March 25)
HMRC	1300	£ 121.00	Tax / NI (March 25)
R Balgobin	1301	£ 60.00	Locum Services (March 25 Meeting)
Brookthorpe Village Hall	1302	£ 1,896.00	Production of Newsletters 2024 / Village Hall Hire for PC Meetings / 50% share of phone and internet costs
GAPTC	1303	£ 94.85	25 / 26 Subscription Renewal

The Council unanimously agreed that the above payments be made.

11. TO CONSIDER AND AGREE ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

The members put forward suggested items which will be investigated and considered for inclusion on the next agenda by the Clerk.

12. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 6 May 2025 following the Annual Parish Meeting which commences at 7.00pm in Brookthorpe Village Hall**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.45pm**

Signed: Dated: