

BUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
Wednesday 7 May 2025 that followed the APM and
AGM

in the Budbrooke Community Centre

Present: Cllrs: Mike Dutton (Chair), Andy Thomas, Rhonda Treacy-Hales, Michelle Nutt, Paul McCloskey, Peter Phillips (WDC) and 6 members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs: Maggie Treacy-Hales, Adam Thomas, Jan Matecki (WCC & WDC)

Abbreviations: Please see the minutes of the APM of 7 May 2025

These are unconfirmed minutes. Confirmed minutes are available on the website shortly after approval at the following meeting.

1. Public Participation - none at this point

2. Register, Apologies & Declaration of Interest & Dispensations - The register was signed by all present. There were no Dispensations or Declarations of Interest

3. Approve previous minutes - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 2 April 2025 were approved. **Clerk to file**

4. Matters Arising

4.1 Matters that Councillors wish to clarify / discuss from the PC Action List - The Clerk noted that the list contained numerous items that had been actioned/completed and were shown as being "to close" and these were confirmed.

4.2 Cllr Rhonda Treacy-Hales noted that she had provided action list updates to the clerk this afternoon that he thanked her for.

5. Community Infrastructure Levy (CiL) Projects Update

5.1 Community Centre – Summer 2025 Toilets Proposal – See AGM minutes

5.2 Play Grounds – **Cllr Nutt** reported that she had spoken to Centenary Fields to confirm that the proposed changes could be made at the Montgomery playground i.e. the inclusion of a small pathway. She said she would share a design brief that would possibly be agreed by email before the next meeting.

5.3 Benches – The **clerk** reported that the location list approval request had been chased again and if a reply was not received, he would seek assistance from Cllr Matecki.

6. Planning

6.1. Planning applications to report / consider

6.1.1 14 Clinton Ave W / 25 / 0240 single storey front extn to garage and single storey rear extn – no objections

6.1.2 W/ 25 / 0527 The Flat, Partridge Cottage, Henley Rd, CV35 8QT - Application for Certificate of Lawful Development for established use of "The Flat" as an independent dwelling – Cllr Andy Thomas said that there was little that we can do whilst Cllr McCloskey added that either there was a certificate or not. Cllr Phillips asked if it is within the curtilage of the property? Cllr Andy Thomas replied that it sounded like it was part of the existing property being all one unit but now seeking part to be independent. In addition, a road sign was not viewable as the landowner was not cutting the hedge. Cllr Phillips suggested a letter from the BPC/**clerk** and then seeking assistance from Cllr Matecki if no action was taken.

6.1.3 Appeal to the Secretary of State W/22/1410 3 storey, 75 bed care home Birmingham Road – Cllr Andy Thomas noted that the appeal had not said why they objected with the appeal submitted on the last day possible and only allowing the resending of objections. Cllr Phillips was hopeful that the WDC Planning decision to refuse would be upheld particularly as there were four reasons given in the refusal decision. He also suggested that objections be resent to the inspector. **Clerk to** action.

7. Correspondence

7.1 Parking on the bend at the end of Field Barn Road – The clerk noted the reporting thereof on behalf of the resident. Cllr Andy Thomas noted that he had previously asked the Parkway Station to appeal to their commuters not to park in HM whilst later, Blandford Way had had yellow lines installed but sadly this appears to have merely moved the problem elsewhere.

7.2 Cllr McCloskey referred to an email that he had received late today from a Becky Davies (WDC Climate change Adaptation Officer) chasing a reply to a climate survey and asked if this had been received and it was confirmed that this had been received and was in hand.

8. Parish Maintenance/Playgrounds

8.1 The April 2025 Playground Report was noted.

9. Community Centre / Village Hall items

9.1 Village Hall - nothing to report.

9.2 Community Centre – It was noted that there would be a Quiz on 21 June 2025.

10. Newsletter / Website / Facebook – nothing to report.

11. Finance

11.1 Approval of payments - The payments on the list provided to councillors in advance of the meeting were noted and cheques were signed for these.

11.2 March 2025 Accounts – This had been distributed prior to the meeting and was considered and approved.

11.3 Bank reconciliations at 31 March 2025 – This had been distributed prior to the meeting and was considered and approved.

12. Any Other Business

12.1. Allotments – The Chair noted that a copy of the plan had been received today following BPC recent requests whilst another document referring to a transfer of the land to the WDC (rather than the BPC) had been queried. He confirmed that the allotment structure needed to be done soon.

12.2 Cllr McCloskey referred to the WDC Tree Protection Order interactive map that did not show the two new HM developments. Cllr Phillips suggested that **Cllr McCloskey apply** for a TPO on the tree in front of his house to test the process, including mapping, whilst perhaps the BPC apply for protection of the path to the A46. He confirmed that TPOs applied not just on private property but also public land, with a longer process if safety was an issue.

12.3 **Cllr McCloskey** offered to report to ne next meeting with feedback from the Nature Action Group.

12.4 Cllr Phillips was pleased to confirm that the Parkway station lift repair was promised to be completed by the end of the month.

12.5 The Chair thanked all again for attending whilst Cllr Phillips gave an apology for the next meeting.

The meeting with members of the public present ended at 21h02.

13. Exempt Information – no public matters

14. Next Meeting - The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4 June 2025 at 20h00 in the Budbrooke Community Centre.

The meeting ended at 21h10