

Bradnop Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Monday 10th November 2025
at Bradnop Village Hall**

Present: Councillors Day, (Chair), Broadhurst, Warrington, Bourne, District Councillor L Malyon. and clerk. Two members of public.

Apologies: Councillors Torr, and Edwards.

68/25	Declaration of Interests: To be taken as arise								
69/25	Dispensations: None								
70/25	Minutes: The minutes of the meetings held on 15 th September were reviewed, Councillor Warrington proposed accepting these minutes as a correct record, this was seconded by Councillor Broadhurst and agreed unanimously.								
71/25	Clerks Report: Details of the clerk's report were reviewed and noted.								
72/25	Fixed Assets: Deferred until next meeting								
73/25	VAT: Clerk advised that VAT could be claimed for the previous four years however there was minimal VAT to be claimed except for the last year when the Laptop and Flagpole had been purchased.								
74/25	Accounts for Payment: A request for a donation towards the Christmas Tree Festival at the Village Hall was discussed and Councillor Broadhurst proposed a £200 donation; this was seconded by Councillor Warrington and carried unanimously. The level of payment to cover cost of the use of the Village Hall for the meetings was discussed and Councillor Broadhurst proposed £30 per meeting, this was seconded by Councillor Bourne and carried unanimously. The following payments were reviewed, Councillor Day proposed accepting these, this was seconded by Councillor Broadhurst and carried unanimously. <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>DESCRIPTION</u></th><th><u>£</u></th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>J Ward 2 months' Salary plus expenses</td><td>£165.77</td></tr> <tr> <td>Village Hall use of hall for council meetings May, July, and September</td><td>£350.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Village Hall donation to Christmas Tree Festival</td><td>£200.00</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>£</u>	J Ward 2 months' Salary plus expenses	£165.77	Village Hall use of hall for council meetings May, July, and September	£350.00	Village Hall donation to Christmas Tree Festival	£200.00
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75/25	Plans APPLICATION NUMBER SMD/2025/0368 LOCATION Beaver Hall Equestrian Centre The Barnhouse Ashbourne Road Bottomhouse Leek PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT Application for Removal of Condition 5 in relation to application 01/00123/FUL / SMD/2001/0204 Councillors reviewed the above application and following a full discussion Councillor Bourne proposed supporting the removal of condition 5. This was seconded by Councillor Broadhurst and carried unanimously.
76/25	Correspondence: All correspondence received by Email had previously been circulated to parish councillors. Letter of Resignation from Councillor Torr- The Parish Councillors accepted the letter of resignation and wished to note with thanks the service given to the parish council by Councillor Torr. IT was unanimously agreed to present Councillor Torr with a thank you card and small token of appreciation. Application for Vacant Councillor Position – Member of Public present at meeting. Planning Enforcement communication – The officer dealing with the bright lights at Apesford and the Porters Lane issue requested additional information including what 3 words and photographs to progress the issues. Councillor Day offered to follow this matter up, Councillor Malyon also offered to contact planning enforcement to assist. Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme – Details of survey had been received Councillor Broadhurst offered to complete the survey on behalf of the Paish Council. Local Government Reorganisation – Information received to be placed on Parish Website once it was available. Parish Assembly Details – Date of next meeting noted and Councillor Edwards to be asked if he would wish to attend. SMDC In Touch Newsletter - Noted. Christmas Tree Festival – Correspondence noted, and discussed, Councillor Malyon also advised for the Village Hall to apply for a grant from the District Councillor fund towards the cost of a Christmas Tree for the Village. Parish Council Christmas Tree at Festival – It was noted that SK had undertaken this in previous years, Councillor Broadhurst would ask if she wished to undertake this again this year, J Day would assist. Setting up of the display would be on 28th November. Other Village Hall events noted along with Ipstones Christmas Market Parish Assembly – Minutes of last meeting had been circulated.

	Connect Fibre – Information received noted, Member of Public noted that three properties on Morridge top, Garstones, Moor Top and Slate House had not been connected, apparently due to miscalculation in length of cable required. Councillor Broadhurst proposed writing to the representative of Connect Fibre who had attended the previous meeting to ask for support in resolving this, this was seconded by Councillor Day and carried unanimously. SMDC Charity Christmas Event – Information circulated and noted. SPCA AGM – Scheduled for 24th November at Uttoxeter and Staffordshire councils conference, no councillors were able to attend. Rights of Way Upgrade of Bridleway to Byway – Correspondence discussed and location confirmed there were no objections to the upgrade.
77/25	Councillor Vacancy: Councillors discussed the existing vacancy and asked Mr Swancote reasons for his interest in the role of Parish Councillor. Following a good discussion and question and answers Councillor Broadhurst proposed Co-Opting Mr Swancote on to the Parish Council, this was seconded by Councillor Day and carried unanimously.
78/25	Highways Water on Highway, A523, near Shore House due to blocked drain, and similar near Poolhall Farm 50MPH speed limit signs on the A523 from Lowe Hill to Bottomhouse have severely faded and are very difficult to read, it was agreed to send email to County Highways and copy in Councillor Kelly
79/25	Any Other Business Deemed Urgent Birch Lea – Councillor Broadhurst had received a verbal complaint from a resident regarding the ongoing issues, Councillor Broadhurst proposed writing a letter to planning enforcement to advise of residents concerns and press for resolution, this was seconded by Councillor Warrington and carried unanimously. Memorial Cross – Councillor Day advised that h had repaired the Wooden Cross in time for remembrance Sunday, however he felt it would be appropriate to have a plaque with the names of the fallen mounted on to the current structure, Councillor Day to obtain a price for this. There was also the possibility of obtaining something more substantial, possibly stone to have as a more permanent structure. Councillor Day was to explore, and clerk would see if any grants were available. Dates for Future meetings were discussed and provisionally scheduled as follows. 5th January. 11th May. 6th July. 7th September. 2nd November.
The date of the next meeting was set for Monday 5th January 2026 At Bradnop Village Hall	