# Broxton & District Parish Council 2014/15 ANNUAL REPORT



# Chairman's Report

Once again, it's time for an update on what Broxton & District Parish Council has been doing during the last twelve months.

## We have:

- Reviewed 14 planning applications
- Worked with Handley and Tattenhall parish councils, Bolesworth estate and their event management team to discuss how to minimise disruption for local residents during the Bolesworth International Horse Show. We now believe an acceptable solution has been proposed and will review its implementation post the event.
- Discussed the Community Governance survey mentioned last year which solicited views on the workings of local parish councils and suggestions for improvement. This resulted in no changes for Broxton & District. There were more candidates than positions in the recent elections for the parish council so people are concerned with local events.
- Applied for and received a grant from Locality as a contribution to the development of a Neighbourhood Plan.

- Appointed consultants Taylor/Young to help us produce a Neighbourhood Plan and its associated Evidence Base and Character Assessment. The original idea was to consult the community on these documents by the end of the year. But these ambitions were thwarted and our consultation has been delayed because CWAC have still not finalised the Local Plan, Part 2, which was originally scheduled to be completed by the end of January 2015.
- Contributed to yet another round of CWAC consultation focusing on Local Service Centres. It now looks like the outcome of this will not be available until the autumn. However, we have been assured by our adviser at CWAC that the whole of our area is likely to be designated 'open countryside' so once more we are going ahead with our Neighbourhood Plan. You will soon be asked to comment so please let us know what you think.
- Laid a wreath at Bickerton parish church on Remembrance Sunday
- Maintained our web site (<a href="http://www.broxtonanddistrict-pc.gov.uk/">http://www.broxtonanddistrict-pc.gov.uk/</a>
  which is now fully functional and the place to look for copies of the agendas of forthcoming meetings or minutes of past meetings.
  There are also other useful links: to Highways, for example, to report potholes or to see where road works are planned; to other parish council web sites to see what they are doing; to Bickerton Village Hall for a timetable of events.

Finally, I should like to thank all my fellow parish councillors, particularly those that are retiring from Council, as well as our ward councillor for their support and hard work on behalf of the community. Special thanks to our clerk too for keeping the parish council on track and in line with all the rules and regulations governing parish councils.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at our meetings.

Gillian M Kendall, Chairman

# ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2014/15

Receipts	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
Precept	4000.00	3800.00	3362.00
Grants (Burial Grounds)	893.00	485.00	500.00
Grants (Precept)	0	0	138.00
New Homes Bonus	0	1216.00	1546.00
Rent	250.00	250.00	250.00
NDP Grants	0	0	9500.00
Compensation	25.00	0	0
Total Receipts	5168.00	6251.00	15296.00
Payments			
Clerk's Pay	1861.08	1951.88	1922.19
Office Expenses	463.38	435.60	466.59
Administration	317.09	364.04	267.92
Insurance	265.00	159.00	159.00
Grants (Burial Grounds)	893.00	485.00	500.00
Neighbourhood Plan	45.00	430.84	10023.70
Grants (Misc)	0	50.00	50.00
Path Clearing	60.00	0	0
Bickerton JBC (Levy)	350.00	0	0
VAT	37.73	47.94	2021.58
Total Payments	4292.28	3924.30	15410.98
Balance	875.72	2326.70	(114.98)
+ Balance b/f	3487.52	4363.24	6689.91
= Balance c/f	4363.24	6689.94	6574.93

# 2015/16 Meeting Dates

**2015** July 27<sup>th</sup> September 14<sup>th</sup> November 23<sup>rd</sup>

**2016** January 25<sup>th</sup> March 28<sup>th</sup> May 23<sup>rd</sup>

Meetings are usually held in Brown Knowl Methodist Chapel Hall at 7.30 pm. and are advertised on the notice boards at least 3 clear days before the meeting. Extraordinary meetings are called as required.

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