

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly of Broxted electors and residents held on  
Thursday 8 May 2025 at 7.35pm at Broxted Village Hall**

*Present were:*

Cllr Isham (chair), Cllr W. Adams, Cllr Cousins, Cllr Hume, Cllr Kesterton, and Cllr Van Haaren. District Councillor Bagnall.

Clerk and elector: Kate Rixson

**2025-1 Apologies for Absence**

None.

**2025-2 Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Assembly held 9 May 2024**

The minutes of the last Annual Assembly were confirmed to be an accurate record of proceedings and duly signed by the Chair.

**2025-3 Council Chairman's Report**

The chairman's report is annexed.

**2025-4 Open Forum**

No issue was raised in the Assembly meeting.

**2025-5 There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.40 pm.**

**Chair's Report:** A short comment of the last year.

1. We are fortunate to have an excellent group of Parish Councillors who diligently and enthusiastically carry out their duties and responsibilities. Broxted is well represented.
2. We welcome Sarah Cousins to our council and thank her for joining us.
3. Our Clerk, Kate, has again been exceptional. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful Clerk - thank you.
4. Enforcement has been a concern. Or perhaps I should say 'lack of enforcement' has been a concern. We are continuing to address key issues, and we are seeking solutions and better responses from UDC. Our District Councillors are a great support to Broxted in these matters.
5. For another year, our finances are in good health, and we have a well-managed budget.
6. Our Parish Council continues to support a range of charities including Citizens Advice, Essex Air Ambulance and the Buffy Bus, plus others. All the donations are budgeted and are financially prudent.
7. Tony and others have kindly installed <sup>DICK KNOWELL'S</sup> ~~Jenny's~~ bench outside this hall. It is sited so that the magnificent view across to Duton Hill and beyond may be enjoyed.
8. We thank Roger and Phyllis, as ever, for all that they do to ensure that this hall stays in great repair and can continue to be the local asset that it is and to be enjoyed by so many varied groups.

*Thank. We now move on with the main Agenda.*