

Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held on
Monday 14 February, 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Fire Station

Present: Cllr R Pearson (Chair) Cllr J Boonham
 Cllr D Lowe Cllr C Moore
 Cllr H Page Cllr C Tew
 Cllr A Gillias (RBC) P Creek (Clerk)

1. Open section of meeting at which members of the public can speak. There were none present.

2. Apologies received and noted. Cllr H Timms (WCC).

3. Declarations of interest. None.

4. Minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2010. Agreed as accurate and signed by the Chair.

5. Matters arising from the minutes other than continuing minutes. None

6. Accounts

6.1. A copy of the updated Income and expenditure and cash balance spreadsheet had been circulated to all Cllrs prior to the meeting.

6.2. The following were approved for payment. All sums in £s Sterling.

WALC	Training	Chq: 1290	74
Warks CC	Lights maintenance	Chq: 1291	1191
Colin Cook	Wages (February)		
Phil Creek	Salary (February)		

6.3. It was agreed to utilise the services of Mr M Jeffs for the internal audit of accounts year ending 31 March 2011 as Mr Jeffs is thorough and clear in any criticism he may have.

Action: Clerk.

7. Associated meetings.

7.1. Details of the Financial Update training day were given by Cllr Pearson and the Clerk who had both attended.

7.2. It was reported that a Recruiting Cllrs for Parish and Borough Councils seminar was somewhat disappointing.

7.3. This year's fete will be held in July. Future events will be a silent auction and a Victorian Christmas market.

8. News and views from RBC and WCC Councillors.

8.1. There has been a Landscape Capacity Study carried out in the borough in connection with provision of wind power turbines. High Cross plateau and Grandborough Fields have been identified as suitable sites for evaluation. Five to sixteen turbines are being mooted.

8.2. The Clerk asked that the Section 106 money payment attracted by the former British Legion site development should be expedited.

Action: AG

Post meeting note. The contractor has started on the development in contravention of the Planning Consent. A notice to cease work immediately has been sent to the contractor by RBC Planning Dept. Work can only recommence after the necessary strictures, including payment of the 106 money to RBC, have been satisfied.

9. Correspondence.

9.1. RBC Local Development Framework Consultation. Details on the website. www.rugby.gov.uk/corestrategy.

9.2. Spring Clean Reminder from RBC. Scheduled for 9 April 2011. RBC to be notified.

Action: Clerk.

Post meeting note. Logistics as per previous years arranged with Rowena Billing, RBC.

9.3. Earl Craven Community Forum. Cllrs decided to concentrate their efforts on Brinklow issues rather than the locality.

9.4. Playground Inspection Reminder from ROSPA. Agreed to action.

Action: Clerk.

Post meeting note. Request to inspect has been posted.

9.5. Training day schedule. Workshops assigned for notification to WALC.

Action: Clerk.

Post meeting note. Confirmation and payment sent to WALC.

10. Continuing Minutes.

10.1. Cemetery. RBC has been instructed to conduct safety tests on the headstones. A stonemason will quote for necessary repairs. Old stones needing work will be paid for by BPC. Surviving relatives will be asked to bear the cost of repairs to newer stones.

Colin Cook has been asked to update the reserve map.

10.2. Events Committee. Planning for the royal wedding party proceeds apace.

Action: RP, JB.

10.3. Playing Field. A replacement tennis court net can cost from £59 to £160. It was decided to source one in the region of £80 plus VAT. A winder will also be purchased.

Action: DL.

A number of dead trees have been identified in the western hedge. The farmer will be approached about it.

Action: Clerk.

Post meeting note. Steve Friswell has advised that the hedge belongs to the Council. However he has agreed to look at the trees with a view to removing them FOC for the wood.

10.4. Website. The new site is almost ready to launch. Despite asking there has, as yet, been no input from the youth club. Various local businesses' details have been uploaded. The web address will be displayed on the Brinklow Page in Round the Revel.

Action: CM, JB.

10.5. Parish Plan. The analysis is in the post from the compiler. Tabulation work will be required.

Action: HP.

10.6. Grant funding. A general scarcity of funds was reported. COMMA is to be approached again.

Action: JB.

10.7. Brinklow Council. A synopsis of the Cllrs site meeting was given to the all present. Discussion about the future plans for the site took place. A detailed action plan is to be worked up to put to the March meeting of the Council for approval.

Action: Castle working group.

11. Warden's Report. Read to the meeting by the Chair. There was some debate into the feasibility of acquiring the Yew Tree Hill 'phone box.

Action: Clerk.

12. April Meeting. Rescheduled for 18 April.

13. AOB.

13.1. The Annual Parish Meeting was scheduled for 25 May; 19:30 in the Community Hall assuming that it is available.

Action: JB.

Post meeting note. The hall has been booked.

13.2. Quarry. There have been complaints from local residents about an increase in activity on the site in a different area. An urgent site inspection will be requested.

Action: RP.

13.3. Affordable housing. Progress on purchasing the church owned field to be sought from Phil Ward Rural Housing Enabler.

Action: Clerk.

Post meeting note. Phil Ward will progress again in March.

13.4. Operation Watermark. An update will be requested from WCC.

Action: Clerk.

The meeting concluded at 21.50.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 14 March 2011, 19.15 at the fire station.

Phil Creek. Clerk to Brinklow Parish Council.

Tel 07767 380696