

**Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council**  
**Held on**  
**Thursday 10 October 2013, 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Community Hall**

**Present:** Cllr D Lowe (Chair)  
Cllr E Friswell  
Six members of the public

Cllr J Boonham  
P Creek (Clerk)

**1. Open section of meeting at which members of the public can speak.**

**1.1.** A complaint was made that, although the situation had improved with the installation of the litterbin, there was still a quantity of rubbish each morning by the skate park. It was resolved to ask the Parish Warden to spend more time in this area in the mornings.

**Action: Clerk.**

**1.2.** A representative from the quarry enquired whether the First Responder was up and running. This in the context of an accident at the quarry site recently when the ambulance took an hour to attend despite repeated 999 'phone calls. In response; it was stated that the last information that the Council had was that the Responder had not obtained all of his kit. It was determined to enquire into the status and advise the quarry representative as to the situation.

**Action: DL, Clerk.**

**1.3.** A resident asked why there was a ramp on the newly resurfaced Cathiron Lane. The resident was advised that gas pipes under the surface required specialist work.

**1.4.** In response to a question; it was confirmed that the pavement on the Coventry Road was to be resurfaced in the manner of the last Broad Street resurfacing.

**1.5.** It was stated that the Easenhall Road would be closed temporarily for works.

**1.6.** Concern was expressed that the gravedigger had to unload his equipment on the road now that the grassy area by the cemetery had been blocked off. The Clerk explained that there was a belief that a local byelaw prohibited the parking of vehicles on all verges in the village and that the Parish Council could not be seen to condone contravention of the byelaw by allowing access. However, enquiries were being made to determine if there was a way around the impasse.

**Action: HT, Clerk.**

**2. Apologies received and noted.** Cllr A Gillias, Cllr C Moore, Cllr R Pearson, Cllr H Timms.

**3. Declarations of interest.** None.

**4. News and views from Borough and County Cllrs.** There were none present.

**5. Minutes of the last meeting.** Deemed accurate and signed by the Chair.

**6. Matters arising from the minutes other than continuing minutes.** Minute 11.5; quotations awaiting evaluation. Minute 11.8; a strimmer had been identified and the cost, in excess of £400 for a professional model, was approved by the meeting.

**7. Planning applications.** None

**8. Correspondence.** A letter had been received from the External Auditors Grant Thornton. Together with the audit report, it contained a survey, for completion, which asked about the experience in dealing with the auditors. The Clerk outlined his proposed response and was authorised to respond in such a manner.

**Action: Clerk.**

## **9. Accounts.**

**9.1.** Business Reserve Account sheet number 168 had been circulated to all Cllrs.

**9.2.** The following were approved for payment. All sums are in £s Sterling.

J Boonham	Printer cartridge	Chq no: 1475	30
SA&E Friswell	Erect storyboards	Chq no: 1476	420
Colin Cook	Burial fees	Chq no: 1477	24
Pro-TECT Signs	Speed Aware signs	Chq no: 1478	183.12
BJ Evans	Hedge cutting	Chq no: 1479	90
R Quinney	Grave topped	Chq no: 1480	30
E.On	Street light power bill	Chq no: 1481	362.94
R Pearson	Mileage (4 claimants)	Chq: no: 1482	157.58

**9.3.** The Clerk reported that the annual audit had been passed without comment.

## **10. Reports from associated meetings.**

**10.1.** Patient Participation. The new computer system and flu jabs were discussed.

**10.2.** Earl Craven Community Forum; minuted by the forum.

**10.3.** Memorial Fund. It was reported that the collection was going well and that the monument structure had been commissioned. The site had to be precisely identified.

**10.4.** Speed Aware. The group are to investigate the feasibility of grant funding to enable the village to purchase its' own speed gun.

**Action: JB, DL.**

## **11. Continuing Minutes.**

**11.1. Events Committee.** Victorian Fair slated for 1 December 2013.

**11.2. Communications with the Parish.** An update on the Memorial Fund will be placed in Round the Revel.

**Action: JB.**

**11.3. Brinklow Castle.** A progress update was given to the meeting and plans for the coming weeks were outlined.

The Council expressed its' gratitude to the quarry owners for moving debris from the site.

**12. Warden's Report.** Unavailable at the meeting. Skate park litter issue, highlighted in the report, had been discussed earlier.

## **13. AOB.**

**13.1.** The feasibility of an electric power point to be incorporated in the War Memorial works will be investigated.

**Action: DL.**

The meeting concluded at 20:12.

Next meeting; Thursday 14 November 2013, 19:15 in the Community Hall.

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