

Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held on
Thursday 11 June 2015; 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Community Hall

Present: Cllr D Lowe (Chair) Cllr J Boonham
Cllr E Friswell Cllr R Pearson
Cllr C Tew P Creek (Clerk)
One member of the public

1. Open section of meeting in which members of the public can speak. Nothing was said.

2. Apologies received and noted. Cllrs C Moore, A Gillias.

3. Declarations of interest. None.

4. Parish Warden's Report. No report received

5. News and views from Borough and County Cllrs.

5.1. The next Community Forum is scheduled for 18 June.

5.2. Cllr Timms' funding stream for 2015/16 is now receiving applications.

Action: JB.

5.3. RBC are addressing the issue of cars parking on the zig zag lines by the school.

5.4. The consultations on the Local Plan and Greenbelt are due out and the Council was urged to respond to both.

Action: All Cllrs, Clerk.

5.5. The Portacabins, which have been sited on the Coventry Road, were raised as a concern to the Council

Action: HT.

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

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

8. Planning applications. None.

9. Accounts.

9.1. The following were approved for payment.

		All sums are in £s Sterling	
Rainbow Services	Grass cutting	Chq no: 1598	1936
C Fouracre	Scrub clearance	Chq no: 1599	270
V Smith	Castle site keys	Chq no: 1600	9
P Creek	June salary, misc. expenses	Chq no: 1601	421.01
HMRC	Withheld income tax	Chq no: 1602	676.80

9.2. Business Reserve Account sheet no 188 was available for scrutiny.

10. Reports of associated meetings.

10.1. Broadband meeting. An update on the 'Superfast' project at the Town Hall.

10.2. Quarry liaison meeting. Attended by RBC, Brinklow and Coombe PCs. The Clerk has circulated the minutes.

10.3. Memorial Committee. Held on 18/5. The Council expressed its' appreciation as to the standard of the memorial area.

11. Correspondence. An e-mail had been received from Grant Thornton, the external auditors, expressing satisfaction at the prompt submission of the yearend figures.

12. Continuing Minutes.

12.1. Community Hall. The AGM is scheduled for 25 June.

12.2. Events Committee. It has been decided that the two benches on The Crescent shall be replaced. One will be funded by the committee, the other by BPC.

12.3. Playing field. The two trees on the far boundary of the field, which were reported to be in need of attention at the May meeting, could not be identified. The screws, required for the skate park, have been obtained and are awaiting installation.

Action: DL.

12.4. Grant funding issues. The WREN application, in connection with the proposed new play equipment, is ongoing. Cllr Timms agreed to offer her guidance to Cllr Boonham; who is coordinating the bid.

Action: JB, HT

The following points, thrown up by the WREN application, were highlighted:-
Is planning permission required?

Action: Clerk.

Does the Council have a constitution? No.

When did the Council form. Believed to be around the time of the 1894 act of Parliament, which established Parish Councils.

Safety checks and a disability audit need to be carried out.

It was agreed that the first two parking spaces, adjacent to the play area, should be reserved for cars displaying a blue badge denoting mobility issues for the car occupant(s).

It was proposed that the existing play equipment should be offered for use by other organisations.

The need for consultation has been addressed by the village questionnaire and will be enhanced by talks with the nursery.

The number of potential users was estimated to be the children from Brinklow and those surrounding villages, which have no play facilities.

12.5. Cemetery. Two trees have been cleared and the Japanese Knotweed has received another treatment. The area to the rear of the plot will be kept clear of vegetation to enable its' use for burial plots.

12.6. Communications with the Parish. The Council Round the Revel content was discussed.

Action: JB.

12.7. Brinklow Castle. There will be consolidation of the work carried out thus far.

13. Parking on the Pavement. Discussed but now seen as a diminished problem.

14. AOB.

14.1. Following a near accident, involving a pedestrian crossing to Hall Grove from The Raven bus stop, the safety of the site of the bus stop is to be assessed.

Action: HT.

14.2. The village planters are to be replanted.

Action: EF.

14.3. The Church fete will be held on 12 September and BPC permission to utilise the bottom of Church Field was granted by BPC.

The meeting concluded at 20:20.

Next meeting: Thursday 9 July 2015, 19:15 in the Community Hall.

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