

Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held on
Thursday 12 February; 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Community Hall

Present:

Cllr C Moore (Chair)	Cllr J Boonham
Cllr E Friswell	Cllr D Lowe
Cllr R Pearson	Cllr C Tew
Cllr A Gillias (RBC)	Cllr H Timms (RBC, WCC)
P Creek (Clerk)	Two members of the public

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

1.1. A member of the public outlined his plans, and asked the Council's permission, to erect a cross on the summit of the castle mound on Good Friday.

Post meeting note. An e-mail, granting the Council's permission subject to various strictures, has been sent to the person concerned.

1.2. In response to a question; it was stated that the Castle work party rota would be circulated soon

Action: DL.

1.3. It was proposed that suggestions for the new play equipment should be solicited from village children and other interested parties.

2. Apologies received and noted. None.

3. Declarations of interest. None.

4. News and views from Borough and County Cllrs.

4.1. Within the Core Strategy, adopted in 2011 to last until 2026, a new local plan is required which will take into account local authority aspirations. The new plan will run until 2031 and housing needs will feature prominently. It was stressed that it was a sine qua non that the Parish Council responds to each and every consultation.

4.2. The Clerk asked Cllr Timms for e-mail addresses of RBC personnel to whom the updated Parish Plan should be sent.

Action: HT.

Post meeting note. The plan has been sent to Sarah Fisher, at RBC, who has undertaken to circulate as appropriate.

4.3. It was reported that sections of the Easenhall Road were badly littered.

Action: HT.

4.4. The Yew Tree dip in the road and various blocked drains were discussed; for the second month running.

Action: HT.

Post meeting note. Cllr Timms has raised the issue with the County Surveyor.

4.5. Cllr Tew voiced the opinion of residents local to College Close that the workforce involved with the road refurbishment were very aware of the needs of the populace.

4.6. In response to a question; Cllr Timms stated that the extinguishing of public lighting was not seen as an issue. LED lamps will be utilised in the future to ameliorate the ongoing power bills.

4.7. Concern was expressed about the speed of vehicles passing the school and the prevalence of parking on the Zig Zag section of the road.

Action: HT.

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

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

7. Planning applications. None.

8. Accounts.

8.1. The following were approved for payment.

All sums are in £s Sterling

Colin Cook	Burial duties	Chq no: 1572	42
E.On	Lighting power bill	Chq no: 1573	386.05
P Creek	Feb salary (PAYE deducted)	Chq no: 1574	350.67
WCC	Lighting maintenance	Chq no: 1575	490.99
P Creek	Laptop and warranty extension	Chq no: 1576	748.95
SA&E Friswell	Supply/erect Christmas tree	Chq no: 1577	210

8.2. Business Reserve statement 184 had been e-mailed to members.

9. Reports of associated meetings.

9.1. Planning meeting; Southam. Covered planning application protocols appertaining both now and after April 2015.

9.2. Patient Participation Meeting. The surgery supports a defibrillator in the village and a suitable site is being sought. Next meeting; 26 March 2015.

10. Correspondence. A spring clean date request has been received from RBC. Agreed 11 April 2015.

Action: Clerk.

11. Continuing Minutes.

11.1. Cemetery. Two valid quotations, and one not, have been received for the grass cutting encompassing the cemetery.

Action: RP.

11.2. Playing field. A recent site meeting with a potential supplier of play equipment had been held. Site meeting(s) with two more suppliers will be undertaken prior to the Call for Bids.

Action: JB.

11.3. Grant funding. Links to funding streams have been obtained from RBC following advice from Cllr Timms. These links will be explored once a coherent, costed project, covering the play equipment, is in place.

Action: JB.

11.4. Communications with the Parish. Round the Revel will highlight the litter pick and revamped website in the next edition.

Action: JB.

11.5. Brinklow castle. The next few work parties will concentrate on the area around the Ell Lane kissing gate.

Action: DL.

12. Warden's report. Read to the meeting by Cllr Pearson

13. Clerk's leave. The Clerk outlined a period of annual leave he is taking. Cllr Boonham offered to take the minutes at the meeting involved.

Action: JB.

14. AOB.

14.1. Cllr Tew requested copies of Cllrs contact details for display on the new noticeboards.

Action: Clerk, CT.

14.2. Paul Thornhill had passed on his support for the Council over the recent Crescent planning issue. The Council, in turn, recorded its' thanks to Mr Thornhill for his actions in the matter.

14.3. There have been many complaints that motorists are failing to stop at the pedestrian crossing. The meeting considered the effectiveness of the warning signage and resolved to contact the County Surveyor for his assessment.

Action: Clerk.

14.4. The website administrator's e-mail address is to be copied to the Clerk in order that agendas and minutes can be sent directly to him for posting on the site.

Action: CM, Clerk.

14.5. Dale Aston has volunteered to answer any villager's questions concerning the quarry's activities.

14.6. Results from the recent Housing Needs Survey are to be requested from the organiser.

Action: JB.

14.7. There will be an official response, from BPC, to the current police survey.

Action: RP.

The meeting concluded at 20:45.

Next meeting: Thursday 12 March 2015, 19:15 in the Community Hall.

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