

Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held on
Thursday 8 January 2015, 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	Cllr H Timms
	P Creek (Clerk)	One member of the public

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

1.1. The attending member of the public complained about parking on the pavement that was impeding pedestrians and causing a hazard to vehicles exiting adjacent properties. The Council undertook to liaise with the PCSO over the matter and suggested that the resident should independently make a complaint to Rugby police.

Post meeting note. An e-mail has been sent to the PCSO requesting intervention at sites around the village

2. Apologies received and noted. None.

3. Declarations of interest. None.

4. News and views from Borough and County Cllrs.

4.1. It was reported that planning permission had been granted for two cinemas and retail outlets for the former Gala cinema site in Rugby town centre.

4.2. Rugby has been appointed a Host City for the upcoming Rugby World Cup. RBC is underwriting the undertaking to the tune of £1 million; although it was envisaged that the actual cost would be considerably less. No games will be played in Rugby but it is expected that the town will attract many visitors during the tourney.

4.3. 112 new houses have been approved for Back Lane, Long Lawford.

4.4. The Yew Tree dip in the road and various blocked drains were discussed.

Action: AG.

4.5. It was reported that BPC's application for grant funding from Cllr Timms' fund had been signed off and forwarded to the committee.

4.6. The Clerk requested an appropriate e-mail contact list, covering RBC, in order to circulate the revised Parish Plan.

Action: HT.

5. Minutes of the last meeting. Minute 11.5. should have mentioned the Easenhall Road bridge closure; subject to that correction the minutes were deemed accurate and signed by the Chair.

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

7. Planning applications. 31 The Crescent. Concern was raised that the plan drawing appeared to show that the resident was still intent on widening the access; despite assurances to the contrary in the accompanying text.

Action: Clerk.

Post meeting note. RBC Planning have been alerted and have asked that BPC respond to the application using the normal protocols.

8. Accounts.

8.1. The following were approved for payment.

All sums are in £s Sterling

R Pearson	Speed gun calibration	Chq no: 1566	251.60
N Freeman	Grass cutting	Chq no: 1567	1442
Community hall	Year's room hire	Chq no: 1568	264
P Creek	Salary Jan, boards, stamps	Chq no: 1569	3480.95
C Fouracre	Erect noticeboards	Chq no: 1571	175

NB. Cheque no 1570 was spoilt and is void.

8.2. Business Reserve statement 183 had been e-mailed to members.

8.3. The meeting unanimously agreed that the precept request for 2014/15 should be 0% (Zero %); thereby keeping the precept at this year's level.

Action: Clerk.

Post meeting note. Request e-mailed to RBC Finance and copied to BPC Chair.

9. Reports of associated meetings.

9.1. Events Committee. Reported to be assisting with the church summer fete. There will be no Victorian Fair this year.

9.2. Patient Participation Meeting. Next meeting Wednesday 14 January.

10. Correspondence. A letter had been received from a resident requesting a copy of a letter that had been submitted to the Council at December's meeting. The person who had submitted the December letter had subsequently Tweeted that he had given the letter to the Council and the resident had seen the Tweet; hence the request for a copy.

The Clerk had taken legal advice from The Warwickshire Association of Local Councils (WALC) which had advised that the request should be granted as it was, in effect, a request which came under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. The advice added that the copy should have all names in the document redacted and that it should be provided in Pdf form rather than a Word document or paper copy.

The Council unanimously decided to comply with WALC's advice as is its' usual practice

Action Clerk:

Post meeting note. A redacted copy, consisting of eight Pdf files, has been e-mailed to the resident in question.

11. Continuing Minutes.

11.1. Cemetery. A meeting was to take place with the Cemetery Agent, on 9 January, to discuss various matters regarding maintenance and repair. Quotations have been solicited for the grass cutting.

The lych-gate was said to be in need of repair as was the side gate through which the mower entrances and exits the site.

Action: RP, Clerk.

11.2. Playing field. Two further quotations, encompassing the revamp of the children's play area are being sought.

Action: JB.

11.3. Communications with the Parish. The Smeaton Lane closure is to be highlighted in Round the Revel as is that of the Easenhall Road bridge. The new

website will be also be mentioned and a thank you to all those involved with the village Christmas tree will be recorded.

Action: JB.

Brinklow Castle. The hedge at the bottom of Church Field, to the RHS of the kissing gate, was reported to be in poor condition; having been overgrown with ivy. It was decided to advise the Land Agent of the Council's intention to replant the hedge.

Action: Clerk.

12. Warden's report. The Warden, having been indisposed, did not submit a report.

13. Noticeboard. The Clerk advised that all three noticeboards were now operational. There was some discussion about the noticeboard adjacent to Church Field. It was resolved that this should be primarily used to advertise local businesses; using A5 postings. Businesses were to be approached to advise them of the facility.

Action: All Cllrs, Clerk.

14. AOB. None.

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

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