

Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held on
Thursday 9 July 2015; 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Community Hall

Present: Cllr D Lowe (Chair) Cllr J Boonham
Cllr E Friswell Cllr C Moore
Cllr R Pearson Cllr A Gillias (RBC)
Cllr H Timms (RBC/WCC) P Creek (Clerk)
Eight members of the public

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

1.1. Concern was expressed, by residents present, that tractors were speeding through the village and driving aggressively. This concern had been taken up with Brinklow Quarry management, whose contractors they were, and a very positive response had been received. A representative of the quarry, present at the meeting, stated that all drivers had been told not to exceed 20 mph and to drive courteously.

1.2. Residents highlighted what they thought was an inappropriate planning application at 24 Coventry Road. The Council responded that it had no grounds to object under planning rules. Cllr Gillias said that he would call the application in for consideration by the Planning Committee due to the depth of feeling of neighbours of the proposed scheme.

1.3. The Portacabins sited at the front of 24 Coventry Road were said to be an eyesore.

Action: HT.

Post meeting note. Rugby Planning Enforcement have given the occupiers 28 days to move the structures.

1.4. The Quarry is to apply for a licence renewal and will mount an exhibition, in The Community Hall, in the next month or so, with further information.

1.5. Concern was raised, again, regarding the plethora of cars parking at the junction of Coventry Road and Broad Street. Various remedies were discussed and discarded as impracticable. It was resolved to take the matter up with the newly appointed PCSO once she is fully in position.

Action: RP.

2. Apologies received and noted. None.

3. Declarations of interest. None.

4. Parish Warden's Report. Discussed in the presence of the Parish Warden,

5. News and views from Borough and County Cllrs.

5.1. Air quality monitoring, in connection with HGV movements, will take place in RBC villages.

Action: AG.

5.2. The importance of submitting as many responses as possible to Planners over the Magna Park expansion plans was stressed.

5.3. Representatives of BPC were thanked for attending the recent Community Forum.

5.4. There was a discussion on the proposals for the development of Rugby Town Centre.

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. 24 Coventry Road. See preceding minute 1.2.

9. Accounts.

9.1. The following were approved for payment.

All sums are in £s Sterling

Cambs Acre	Payroll services	Chq no: 1603	20.52
Colin Cook	Burial duties	Chq no: 1604	49
C Tipper	Memorial bench	Chq no: 1605	292.94
P Creek	July salary, postage	Chq no: 1606	356.72
Colin Cook	Burial duties, stamps	Chq no: 1607	34.48

9.2. Business Reserve Account sheet no 190 had been e-mailed to Cllrs.

10. Reports of associated meetings.

10.1. Earl Craven meeting update.

10.2. A member attended the Community Hall AGM.

10.3. Warwick Volunteers Association; for funding contacts.

10.4. Reading University; to discuss investigation of the castle site.

11. Correspondence. Advice received of successful reclamation of VAT paid in the year ending 31 March 2015.

12. Continuing Minutes.

12.1. Cemetery. The treatment of the Japanese Knotweed is continuing.

12.2. Events Committee. The memorial bench has been installed on The Crescent.

12.3. Playing field. The screws, required for the skate park, have been obtained and are awaiting installation.

Action: DL.

12.4. Grant funding issues. A further application to Cllr Timms' fund will be made to cover 2015; as is allowed under the scheme rules.

Action: JB, HT

The WREN application is underway.

The Council agreed, unanimously, that £15k from Brinklow Parish Council reserves would be allocated to the playing field equipment replacement.

12.6. Footpaths. It was reported that the path around the south facing castle perimeter needed cutting. Access through the electric fence at West Farm has been installed.

12.7. Brinklow Castle. Discussions centred on the provision of a wild flower meadow.

Post meeting note. Warwickshire Wildlife have advised that they have passed the first hurdle in the Lottery Fund Application and that the Castle site will be included in its' scope.

14. AOB.

14.1. Footpaths along the Rugby Road, Lutterworth Road and Ansty Road were reported as being partially blocked by vegetation.

Action: Clerk.

14.2. It was agreed that the newly appointed grass-cutting contractor was performing the contract well. It was thought that an additional two cuts might be needed.

Action: RP.

14.3. An August meeting for Cllrs only was scheduled.

The meeting concluded at 20:50.

Next meeting: Thursday 10 September 2015, 19:15 in the Community Hall.

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