

**Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held on**

Thursday 14 September 2017; 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Community Hall

Present: Cllr D Lowe (Chair) Cllr J Boonham
Cllr E Friswell Cllr M Lavin
Cllr V McBay Cllr J Reid
Cllr A Gillias (RBC) Cllr H Timms
Cllr A Warwick P Creek (Clerk)
Five members of the public.

1. Apologies received and noted. None

2. Declarations of interest. Cllr J Boonham, 3 Fern Cottages, who took no part in the discussion under following minute **5.1**.

3. Interactions with Borough and County Cllrs.

3.1. The RBC Local Plan is progressing. An inspector will be reviewing the documents for three weeks commencing late November.

3.2. The next Earl Craven meeting will be at Church Lawford on 27 September.

3.3. Cllrs (RBC and WCC) expressed their thanks to the quarry management for hosting the recent liaison meeting.

3.4. The next Fosse Forum is on 13 September. Bulk buying of oil and the availability of community mini buses will be discussed.

3.5. The County Cllr grant scheme is open for applications until 9 October.

4. Minutes of the last meeting.

4.1. The resident who was recorded under minute 1.1. has requested that a fuller version of his allegations should be recorded.

Viz; He alleged that 'Brinklow Quarry lorries were driving through the village between 5:30 until 22:00 (sic) on a regular basis.'

'tractors towing trailer units filled with grass cuttings were driving through the village between 06:00 until 23.30 (sic), including Saturdays, Sundays and Bank holidays. There were up to 20 movements of tractors per hour for the duration of the daily operations.'

'An extremely obnoxious smell, emanating from the Highwood Farm/Brinklow Quarry complex, and linked to the bio-digester operation engulfs part of the village for days on end.'

Subject to the above alterations the minutes were deemed accurate and signed by the Chair.

5. Planning applications.

5.1. 3 Fern Cottages; no comment from BPC.

5.2. Colledge Close; no comment from BPC.

5.3. Land off Green Lane. BPC discussed various conditions it would wish to see attached to the work. Including, but not limited to, defined work hours (08:00 to 18:00 weekdays, 0800 to 12:00 Saturdays and no work on Sundays. The highway should be maintained in a clean condition and there should be a tyre wash on site. The issue of drainage was also raised.

Action: ML.

5.4. Cottage Farm, Heath Lane; no comment from BPC.

6. Accounts.

6.1. Payments approved for payment.

All sums are in £s Sterling

P Creek	Taxed salary and expenses	Chq no: 1787	355.94
V McBay	Misc Expenses	Chq no: 1788	12.95
CPRE	Annual subscription	Chq no: 1789	36
X2 Connect	'Phone box windows	Chq no: 1790	630
Sport Surfacing	Tennis court refurb	Chq no: 1791	2875.68
Wizard	Lengthsmen sundries	Chq no: 1792	95.90
V Smith	Castle site sundries	Chq no: 1793	39.58
Lakeside	Grass cutting	Chq no: 1794	140
People and Places	Plan consultancy	Chq no: 1795	1558.80
T Heanan	Neighbourhood Plan	Chq no: 1796	18.42
Styvechal Estate	Castle half year rent	Chq no: 1797	180
Stately Fabrications	Tennis court gate final payment	Chq no: 1798	380.40
J Reid	Lengthsmen sundries	Chq no: 1799	188.69
SA&E Friswell	Tree work and mowing	Chq no: 1800	996
Rainbow Garden	Grass cutting	Chq no: 1801	3426.80
RBC	Temp litter bins for festival	Chq no: 1802	95
Brinklow Festival	Page in programme	Chq no: 1803	60
P Creek	Salary, tax rebate, expenses	Chq no: 1804	1027.91
Lakeside	Grass cutting	Chq no: 1805	140
E Friswell	Cemetery duties	Chq no: 1806	122

6.2. Business Reserve Account sheet no 215 shows a balance of £56,324.62 and was available for scrutiny at the meeting.

7. Reports of associated meetings.

7.1. A Quarry Liaison meeting was held recently.

8. Continuing minutes.

8.1. Community Hall; AGM scheduled for 25 September.

8.2. Cemetery. Amended rules had been circulated to all Cllrs and Clerk prior to the meeting. Subject to a couple of minor alterations; The Council resolved to adopt the rules.

8.3. Playing field.

Drainage. Scope agreed with contractor to quote.

Hedging and fences. Quotation for the work awaited.

Tree complaint (adjacent to Broad Street). The Council will seek professional advice.

Action: Clerk.

Shelter. Three quotations have been received for evaluation.

Action: All Cllrs.

8.4. Grant funding. WCC Cllr's grant fund will be approached to help with the cost of the local maps.

8.4. Rights of way. A new gate is required for the footpath adjacent to the children's play area.

Action: EF.

8.5. Brinklow Castle. Plans for the proposed wildflower meadow were discussed.

8.6. Neighbourhood Plan. Printing in progress.

8.6. Communications with the Parish. The Council is deeply disturbed, and upset, that allegations of corruption have been made against it on 'social media'. The Council asks that this cease immediately. Should it reoccur the Council will consider taking further steps if necessary including legal action.

If any person has evidence of such corruption they are requested to contact the Clerk who will take the matter further; with the Warwickshire Association of Local Councils (WALC), or police, if necessary.

9. Bus shelter; Coventry Road. Project pack obtained by the Clerk.

Action: VM.

10. Minutes. The Clerk brought to the attention of Cllrs that the open section of the meeting, to the public, should not be minuted. It was resolved that the open section would continue from 19:00 until 19:30. The formal meeting would commence at 19:30.

Action: All Cllrs, Clerk.

The meeting concluded at 20:55

Next meeting: Thursday 12 October 2017, 19:15 in the Community Hall.

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