

Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held on
Thursday 10 January 2013, 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Community Hall

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

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

1.1. A member of the public asked if the Council had a view on the proposed 'day room' at the temporary traveller site in Coombe Fields. The view of the Council was that it was primarily an issue of building on Green Belt land and would respond as such to RBC.

Action: Clerk.

1.2. A representative from Brinklow Quarry reminded the Council about the liaison meeting on 16 January at 12:00. He requested that any agenda items, proposed by The Council, be e-mailed to him prior to the meeting.

Action: All Cllrs.

1.3. A representative from the youth club outlined the funding requirements for the skateboard park. A deposit, refundable if the project fails, of £3355.22 was required by WREN on or before 14 January. It was agreed unanimously by the Council that it would provide the deposit and donate £1680.22 from Council funds. The balance of £1675 would be repaid by the youth club to the Council within two years. These terms were to be confirmed in writing to the club representative; Emily Wykes. The Council recorded its' thanks to Emily for all her efforts in securing funding for the park.

Action: Clerk.

The football club will be consulted on the project.

Action: DL.

It was estimated that 21 tonnes of spoil would be generated by the works. The Quarry representative offered to take the spoil for the youth club.

It was agreed to clear the adjacent ditch, using a local contractor, concurrently with the project.

Action: DL.

2. Apologies received and noted. Cllr Garcia.

3. Declarations of interest. None.

4. News and views from Borough and County Cllrs.

4.1. RBC are to conduct its' Annual Review for Scrutiny. Topics for inclusion were requested by 4 March; any suggestions from Brinklow Council by next meeting.

Action: All Cllrs.

4.2. An outline of the renaming of open parkland and its' inclusion in an asset register was given.

4.3. Council house rents were to be subjected to a 6.43% rise.

4.4. It was reported that the gulleys on both sides of the new Coventry Road crossing were flooding and that the new paint on the crossing was fading.

Action: HT.

4.5. There had been several reports of hare coursing in the area.

4.6. Details of a trike being towed by a car in Ell Lane were given to the PCSOs.

4.7. The PCSOs reported that risk assessments, in connection with the Speed Awareness programme, were to be conducted on the Lutterworth Road and the Coventry Road looking in to the village from Green Lane.

5. Minutes of the last meeting. The date of the next meeting should have read 10 January, Cllr Friswell was not at the meeting as recorded, a water heater (not cooler) had been donated by the Lionel Smith estate. Subject to those corrections; the minutes were deemed accurate and signed by the Chair.

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

7. Accounts

7.1. A copy of the updated Income, expenditure and cash balance spread sheet, together with a scan of NatWest Business Reserve Account sheet number 159 (£37,824.86), had been circulated to all Cllrs prior to the meeting.

7.2. The following were approved for payment. All sums are in £s Sterling.

E.On	Electricity bill	Chq: 1429	362.32
Community Hall	Room hire (Dec)	Chq: 1430	24
SA & E Friswell	Mowing and strimming	Chq: 1431	2142
FCE Recycling	Skate park deposit	Chq: 1432	3355.22

8. Planning applications. An appeal had been lodged over the Southfields rejection.

9. Correspondence. None.

10. Reports from associated meeting. None.

11. Continuing Minutes.

11.1. Cemetery. It was agreed that shrubs, which had been planted in contravention of the regulations, would be removed by contractors. A note to that effect would be placed in Round the Revel.

Action: RP, JB.

11.2. Events Committee. Next meeting; 28 January.

11.3. Grant funding. The final tranche of the LEADER grant, covering the storyboards, had been paid.

11.4. Playing field. It was reported that a contractor would visit the site to survey in respect of a quotation to upgrade the children's play area.

Action: DL.

11.6. Footpaths. It was agreed that the Heath Lane footpath would be subject to a regular strim, by a contractor, to keep it navigable at all times. Scope of works to be agreed with the Quarry.

Action: RP.

It was resolved that a kissing gate should be installed at the Coventry Road end of the Heath Lane path to prevent the passage of motor bikes, etc.

Action: Clerk.

11.7. Brinklow Castle. There was a Dispensation Request from Cllr Friswell in order that she could take part in discussions vis a vis the castle site but not take part in any vote; her husband being a contractor who quotes for work on the site.

There is to be a review meeting, on site, with LEADER representatives on 18 January.

12. Warden's report. Read to the meeting by the Chair.

13. Precept. The precept request was set as an increase of 0.9%.

Action: Clerk.

14. AOB.

14.1. Due to the fast moving traffic along Barr Lane; it was resolved to ask the County Surveyor to review the road markings and signage.

Action: Clerk.

14.2. Written permission is required, from the County Surveyor, to install an access gate onto the Scout land; to gain access to the Castle site for mowing purposes.

Action: Clerk.

14.3. WCC has been approached to furnish a quotation to provide a secure electric point on the green at the bottom of Broad Street to light a proposed Christmas tree.

14.4. It was resolved to donate £200 to the aspiring 'First Responder', towards equipment, once he had raised the residual amount.

14.5. The annual litter pick was scheduled for 15 April. RBC was to be informed for equipment and debris removal logistical assistance.

Action: Clerk.

The meeting concluded at 20:55.

The next meeting is to be held on Thursday 14 February 2013, 19:15 in the Community Hall.

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