

**Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council**  
**Held on**  
**Thursday 14 February 2019; 19:15 Hours at Brinklow Community Hall**

**Present:** Cllr D Lowe (Chair) Cllr J Boonham  
Cllr T Heenan Cllr M Lavin  
Cllr V McBay Cllr H Timms (RBC)  
P Creek (Clerk)  
Six members of the public.

**1. Apologies received and noted.** Cllrs Gillias, Reid and Warwick.

**2. Declarations of interest.** None.

**3. Interactions with Borough and County Cllrs.**

**3.1.** It was reported that WCC has agreed a budget with a 5% Council Tax rise. Tree stocks are being assessed and road schemes being considered.

**3.2.** RBC is considering its' Council Tax rise. Bin collections from properties with long drives are under consideration.

**Action: All Cllrs.**

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

**5. Planning applications.** None

**6. Accounts.**

		All sums are in £s Sterling	
<b>6.1.</b> Payments approved for payment.			
P Creek	Taxed salary, expenses (Feb).	Chq no: 2020	385.45
J Boonham	Taxed salary (Feb)	Chq no: 2021	120
WCC	Lighting maintenance	Chq no: 2022	205.30
V Smith	Castle sundries	Chq no: 2023	57.06
Hi Lite	Street lights VAT	Chq no: 2024	1994.30
T Heenan	Tree disposal	Chq no: 2025	30
Lakeside	Fencing, hedging, ditching	Chq no: 2026	4920
J Reid	Lengthsmen expenses	Chq no: 2027	175.83

**6.2.** Business Reserve Account sheet no 232 was available at the meeting for inspection.

**7. Reports of associated meetings.**

**8. Continuing minutes.**

**8.1.** Cemetery. Numerous enquiries being received. Record updating ongoing.

**Action: JB.**

**8.2.** Playing field.

**8.2.1.** It was reported that six tenders had been received for the grass cutting contract. It was decided to award the contract to the incumbent contractor. Proposed by Cllr McBay, seconded by Cllr Lavin and carried unanimously.

**Action: VM.**

**8.2.2.** The CCTV, covering the playing field, was discussed.

**8.2.3.** It was agreed that the football club could hold its' annual tourney on the date proposed by the club. The organisers are to be advised that cars cannot be parked over the newly installed drains.

**Action: Clerk.**

**Post meeting note.** The club has been informed of the parking requirements. The Clerk was advised that this would require the pitches to be remarked.

**8.3.** Grant funding.

**8.3.1.** Production of the walker's guides, for the 'phone box, is ongoing.

**8.3.2.** It was reported that money from the Locality Fund had been received to be put towards Neighbourhood Plan costs.

**8.4.** Rights of way. A letter has been received about a ploughed over right of way. The growing problem of walkers not keeping to the designated footpaths but trespassing over private land was highlighted. There will be a reminder in Round the Revel stressing the importance of adhering to the rights of way.

**Action: JB, VM.**

**8.5.** Communications with the Parish. Round the Revel content, for the next issue, was discussed. Litter pick date to be included.

**Action: JB.**

**9. Brinklow PC Standing Orders.** It was resolved to reaffirm the Standing Orders. The need to obtain three tenders for spending over £500 was highlighted as a sine qua non.

**Action: All Cllrs, Clerk.**

**10. Broad Street insurance claim.** The Clerk updated the meeting on this item. There has been no correspondence for some time.

**11. Section 106 money.** Members content that this has been explained to their satisfaction.

**12. Pensions.** The meeting was advised that mandatory contributions, for BPC and the Clerk, rise as of April 2019 to 3% and 5% respectively. It was confirmed that the Council is compliant.

**13. Litter pick.** Will take place on Saturday 13 April. Pickers, tabards and refuse sacks to be obtained from RBC. The possibility of another pick in September was discussed.

**Action: Clerk.**

**14. Litter bin Cathiron Lane.** There is a perceived need for a bin to be sited in the canal pull in. This may well need the permission of the Canal Trust for installation and RBC for refuse collection.

**Action: VM, HT.**

The meeting concluded at 20:20.

Next meeting: Thursday 14 March 2019, 19:15 in the Community Hall.

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