

**Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council
Held Via Zoom App; Thursday 8 April 2021; 19:30 Hours.**

Present: Cllr J Reid (Chair) Cllr J Boonham
 Cllr S Brown Cllr T Heenan
 Cllr V McBay Cllr M Lavin
 Cllr A Gillias (RBC) Cllr H Timms (RBC)
 Cllr A Warwick P Creek Clerk
 Eleven members of the public.

1. Apologies received and noted. None

2. Declarations of interest. None.

3. Interactions with Borough and County Cllrs.

3.1. It was reported that RBC and WBC were focussed on re-election.

3.2. With the onset of the litter picking season; RBC is committed to the initiative.

3.3. There were reports of residents reporting various litter sites around the Parish. Residents are encouraged to contact BPC Cllrs.

3.4. Libraries were said to be opening on the forthcoming Monday.

3.5. There was a warning to beware of rogue traders operating in the area.

3.6. WCC have initiated a county wide power purchasing initiative.

4. Minutes of the last meeting. Deemed accurate and will be signed by the Chair (post meeting).

5. Planning applications. 44 The Crescent; discussed.

6. Accounts.

6.1. Payments approved this month.

		All sums are in £s Sterling	
P Creek	Taxed salary, allowances (Apr)	Chq no: 2155	489.82
J Boonham	Taxed salary (Apr)	Chq no: 2156	120
WALC	Subscriptions	Chq no: 2157	440
J Reid	Lengthsmen expenses	Chq no: 2158	559.96
J Lampert	Consultancy	Chq no: 2159	1075
P Creek	Taxed salary, allowances (May)	Chq no: 2160	489.82*
P Creek	Expenses	Chq no: 2161	60.69*
J Boonham	Taxed salary (May)	Chq no: 2162	120*
J Boonham	Expenses	Chq no: 2163	27*
J Reid	Lengthsmen expenses	Chq no: 2164	361.41*
RBC	Litter bins	Chq no: 2165	420*
T Heenan	Zoom fees	Chq no: 2166	28.78*
E. on	Power bill	Chq no: 2167	348.35*
Round the Revel	Donation	Chq no: 2168	100*
ICM	Subscriptions	Chq no: 2169	95*
J Lampert	Consultancy (VAT)	Chq no: 2170	215*
Lakeside	Grass cutting	Chq no: 2231	4644*
WALC	Training	Chq no: 2232	30*
R Pearson	Internal audit fee.	Chq no: 2233	82

* Denotes authorised and signed at the APM on May 17, 2021
Business Reserve Account sheet no 259 was available at the meeting for inspection.

7. Continuing minutes.

7.1. Cemetery. The, previously approved, bench has been installed. An ashes internment was reported in the NW of the cemetery. The map needs a thorough overhaul, via a survey.

Action: JB

7.2. Playing field. Three litter bins need replacing and/or re positioning viz; tennis court, Broad Street, Lutterworth Road. It was resolved to proceed.

Action: JR, (VM.)

7.3. CCTV. In preparation for the power supply to the proposed installation Western Power have agreed the USMIG reference and the power consumption is likely to cost in the region of £50 per annum.

Action: JR.

7.3. Grant funding issues. Nothing to report. The cemetery wall needs repointing and funds should be sought for this.

Action: JR.

7.4. Rights of way. The footpath across the rear of Home Farm's yard is to have its' finger posts reinstalled.

Action: JR.

7.5. Communications with the Parish. Round the Revel content discussed; to include details of new Cllrs and a thankyou from BPC to retiring Cllrs Boonham and McBay.

Action: (JB.)

7.6. Brinklow castle. The proposed works to the entrance at Church Field have been agreed with the interested parties; Warwickshire's final agreement is awaited. The rough stone has been removed in preparation and the Lengthsmen propose to carry out the work in about four weeks.

Action: JR.

7.8. Neighbourhood Plan. As we are now in a new financial year a new application will be made for a further grant from Locality. We will apply for more consultant fees to finish the plan and printing costs for circulating the plan to all households before the referendum. Currently our planning consultant Jenny Lampert is reviewing our draft Neighbourhood Plan and putting the policies into planning speak.

Action: TH, ML.

8. Standing Orders. It was resolved to adopt the standing orders for the forthcoming Council term.

Action: All Cllrs, Clerk.

9. Internet banking options. Various options have been explored by the Clerk. In response to a Cllr's question the Clerk said that he favoured the co-operative Bank and the meeting decided that he should pursue this option.

Action: Clerk.

10. Cemetery Agent salary. It was resolved to pay the Cemetery Agent £2,250 pa from 1 April 2021. This equates to £187.50 monthly and will be taxed at prevailing rates.

Action: Clerk.

11. Annual Parish Meeting. To take place on Monday 17 May 19:15 hours in The Community Hall.

The meeting concluded at 20.20.

Next meeting: Thursday 17 June, 19:15 in the gazebo on the playing field.

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