

**Minutes of the Meeting of Brinklow Parish Council  
Held Via Zoom App; Thursday 11 February 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  
Two members of the public.

**1. Apologies received and noted. None**

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

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

**3.1.** Council house rents are to rise by £1.45 per week. 13 properties have been sold through 'Right to Buy'. RBC have acquired 37 properties.

Six hundred and ten properties have been fitted with energy efficient boilers.

**3.2.** 1687 'shielding parcels' have been delivered.

**3.3.** Dog owners are warned of a spate of dog abduction with menace.

**3.4.** Coventry Road is to be resurfaced.

**3.5.** Over the next four years £143 million is to be moved over, from reserves, to mitigate increases in Council Tax. 99% allocated to Council Tax and 1% to Social Care.

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

**5. Planning applications.**

**5.1.** Green Lane R20/502, 48 Coventry Road; discussed

**Action: ML.**

**6. Accounts.**

**6.1.** Payments approved this month.

		All sums are in £s Sterling	
P Creek	Taxed salary, allowances (Feb)	Chq no: 2139	489.82
J Boonham	Taxed salary (Feb)	Chq no: 2140	120
J Reid	Lengthsmen expenses	Chq no: 2141	68.34
T Heenan	Zoom subscription	Chq no: 2142	14.39
J Lampert	Consultancy	Chq no: 2143	2280
WCC Lighting	Yearly lamp maintenance	Chq no: 2144	203.15

**7. Continuing minutes.**

**7.1.** Cemetery. It was reported that there had been two recent burials and enquiries over two internments of ashes.

The grave digger's plant has damaged turf which will need grass supports to rectify and cover his approach. Lengthsmen to assess.

**Action: JR, JB.**

**7.2.** Grant funding issues. Some of the funding received in connection of the Neighbourhood plan will need to be refunded. Proposed colour printing of the plan was costed at £1020.

**Action: JB, Clerk.**

**7.3. Rights of way.** The footpath to the north of The Raven was discussed. The Registry Office has been consulted to determine ownership. Discussions will be sought with adjoining landowners and the Footpath's Officer.

**Action: JR, VM, Clerk.**

**7.4. Communications with the Parish.** Round the Revel content discussed.

**Action: JB.**

**7.5. CCTV.** Situation vis a vis lamp post trial discussed. Cllr Warwick requested a copy of email traffic to WCC Lighting.

**Action: JR.**

**7.6. Brinklow castle.** The recent request to site a memorial seat was approved; subject to detailed specifications being provided and permission from the Land Agent.

It was clarified that the stock proof fencing to the site is the responsibility of BPC.

**Action: Clerk.**

**Post meeting Note.** Requirements, and conditions, for the seat have been relayed to the petitioner.

**7.7. Neighbourhood Plan.** A meeting was held by Midlands Rural Housing with Rugby Borough Council on 21st of January regarding rural exception sites. Brinklow Neighbourhood Plan representatives attended. RBC provided two new documents which we have to comply with. Our consultant is responding formally to these, we believe we are already compliant.

It was reported that there are £2.3k of grant funds left with up to £5k required for next year. About £2000 of grant money will have to be returned to Locality as we are unable to spend those funds this year. This money can be re-applied for in April 2021. Cllr Tony Gillias kindly offered to assist with our application for a Rural Exception Site.

**Action: TH, AG.**

**7.8. Reports from associated meetings.** None.

**8. Local elections.** It was reported that the elections are likely to proceed in May.

**Action: All Cllrs, Clerk.**

**Post meeting note.** Since confirmed.

**9. Clerk's contract.** It was unanimously agreed that the, recently written, contract should be put to the Clerk for his perusal.

**Action: JR, Clerk.**

The meeting concluded at 20.25

Next meeting: Thursday 11 March 2021; via Zoom.

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