

BRINKLOW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the Council
Held in the Community Hall on 11th November 2021

Present: Councillor J Reid (Chairman)
Councillor T Heenan
Councillor M Lavin
Councillor S Love
Councillor I Currington
Councillor S Brown
Councillor H Timms (RBC)
D Lloyd (Clerk)

1. Apologies

There were no apologies for non-attendance as all members of the Council were present at the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

3. Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held 14th October 2021 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record for the proceedings.

4. Comments, Questions or Suggestions made by Members of the Public

4.1 It was reported that Brinklow Christmas Market, to be held on 27th November 2021, already has approximately 70 stalls and requests are still forthcoming. Hot food stalls have been rejected in order to support the villages own businesses. Natasha's Law will be adhered to, displaying ingredients, on any food products being sold.

4.2 An Insurance Risk Assessment is being put in place prior to the Christmas Market, to include safety procedures in respect of Covid ie. Masks, sanitisers and a one way system where possible.

4.3 It was requested that the council considered the parking problems in the village for any future events. Suggestions of using the top part of the field and the Bulls Head car park were put forward.

4.4 Councillor J Reid proposed asking village residents to park off road where possible for the Christmas Market to help alleviate the parking problems which he is willing to undertake.

J Reid to Action

5. District and County Councillor Reports for Information.

Heather Timms reported that there is a new Head of Planning for RBC
Heather also mentioned the WCC Social Impact Fund, details of which can be found on the Heart of England website .

J Reid brought to Heathers attention that there has been no response with regards to the bollards and trees previously agreed by the council. This is to be escalated.

J Reid & H Timms to Action

6. Report by Cemetery Agent.

J Boonham read out her report to all present detailing the income that the cemetery has produced for the month, her contact with families with regards to the possibility of new memorial tablets, the issue that she is looking into with regards to an unauthorised cross being erected in the cemetery and to confirm that the checking of the cemetery map is still ongoing.

7. Consider a response to Current Planning Applications

R21/0949 Change of design, brick build garage, The Motte, Ell Lane

RESOLVED No objections

R21/0987 Erect a single storey extension, Rosemary Cottage, Heath Lane

J Reid The previous 2017 change of use was agreed with limitations so further information is needed by the Council before agreeing a response

R21/0978 Resurfacing hardstanding surrounding Ash House, Poppy Close

RESOLVED Providing no rainwater drainage is permitted to run onto public footpath the Council has no objections

8. Approve Accounts for Payment

8.1 Payments Approved this month

Windmill Lane Allotment Assoc	Xmas Tree	CHQ2272	£130.00
Brinklow Community Hall	Hire 21/11/21	CHQ2273	£15.00
John Reid	Lengthsmen expenses	CHQ2274	£396.98
Roger Pearson	Planting War Memorial	CHQ2275	£149.90
J Boonham	Salary	CHQ2276	£149.90
S Gibson Solutions	Hedge Cutting	CHQ2277	£180.00

8.2 J Reid asked the councillors to consider if the sweep facility set up on the bank account can be reviewed and if the use of Internet Banking should also be an option.

Both are to be put onto the next Agenda

Clerk to Action

9. To Approve the Draft Neighbourhood Plan

T Heenan asked for the council to approve the draft Neighbourhood Plan for pre-submission consultation in accordance with regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations

RESOLVED that the draft neighbourhood plan be approved for pre-submission consultation

10. To Consider Expenditure related to Church Fields Kissing Gate.

The Chairman provided information regarding expenditure of £1,011 to provide a kissing gate at the Church Fields

RESOLVED that the expenditure be approved

11. To Consider approval of the cost for a replacement lamp post RE: CCTV installation

The Chairman asked for approval regarding the expenditure needed for the lamp post which needs changing and wiring in preparation for any future CCTV installation.

This is to be actioned by the council at a cost of £489

RESOLVED that the expenditure be approved
Clerk to Action

12. To Consider approval of the costs for the Village Name Plaque

The Chairman asked for approval regarding the expenditure of £700.00 (zero VAT) quoted by a local tradesman to produce the wooden frame needed for the village name plaque and the £590.00 installation fee (only RBC can install it)

RESOLVED that the expenditure be approved for both the frame and installation

13. To Consider approval of the purchase of battery powered tree lights

The Chairman asked for approval regarding the expenditure for some new lights for the Village trees for Christmas which are needed due to old ones being de-commissioned. Battery Powered ones were proposed costing £96

RESOLVED that the expenditure be approved

14. To Approve the costs for cutting the hedge at the Church Fields

The Chairman asked for approval regarding the expenditure of £150 plus VAT quoted by S Gibson Solutions to cut the hedges around Brinklow Church

RESOLVED that the expenditure be approved

15. Progress Reports

- a) The minutes of the Community Hall Meeting have been circulated by Councillor M Lavin.
- b) The Playing Field: Currently pending further information from the Football Club
- c) Grant Funding is being sought for the necessary cemetery wall repairs.
- d) Nothing to report with regards to Rights of Way

e) Brinklow Castle: The meeting on Sunday 21st November will be used to recruit Sunday lengthsman to aid with the maintaining of the Tump. It was confirmed that the volunteers are covered by the PC Insurance.

f) Nothing to report with regards to Associated Meetings.

16. Correspondence Received for Information

Nothing to report

17. To Confirm the date of the Next Meeting

Councillor S Love to liaise with the other councillors and the clerk to decide on an acceptable change of date for the next meeting prior to the date needed for publication in 'Round the Revel'

Councillors S Love & S Brown to Action

The Meeting Closed at 8.40 pm

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CHAIRMAN