## **BRINKLOW PARISH COUNCIL**

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Council Held in the Community Hall on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**Present:** Councillor J Reid (Chairman)

Councillor T Heenan Councillor I Currington Councillor S Brown Councillor K Keene

Councillor D Forman

Councillor T Gillias (RBC)
Councillor H Timms (RBC)
D Lloyd (Clerk to the Council)

J Boonham

4 members of the public

#### 1. Apologies.

Apologies received from Councillor A Warwick (WCC)

# 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

8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record for the proceedings.

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

No comments were made by the members of the public.

# 5. District and County Councillor Reports for Information.

Reports by Councillor T Gillias (RBC)

Tony reported that he attended the hearing for the A5 lorry park and the summing up will take place 13<sup>th</sup> January at 10am in the town hall. John Reid mentioned he had applied for Section 6 to appeal but had no response from planning. There is a bid to join the Midlands Energy Hub, an external wall cladding and installation scheme to improve the energy efficiency of homes. RBC are looking at the cost and efficiency of the green bins to ensure it pays for itself and keeps the cost down. There is a Magna Park liaison meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> January. Surveys have taken place to establish there is a need for dualling the A5. When questioned by J Reid about RBC's ability and willingness to oppose the proposed Ansty development both Tony and Councillor H Timms said they felt RBC's planning officers were not capable of constructing and putting forward a strong enough defence due mainly to the shortage of staff and their lack of experience.

#### Reports by Councillor H Timms (RBC)

The cost of living crisis – there is a site to see what is on offer www.costoflivingwarwickshire.co.uk where there is lots of information for emergency situations. People should see this as entitlement not charity.

## 6. Report by Cemetery Agent.

Jennie stated that there is very little to report other than an interment of ashes that was expected to take place in early January has been delayed by the family.

#### 7. New Councillor.

Dee Forman was introduced to the meeting as our new councillor. Appropriate forms were handed over to her for signature in the presence of the parish clerk.

## 8. Consideration for the Purchase of Paediatric leads for the Defibrillator.

Aadefib.com quoted £90.00 + VAT (if ordered by 31<sup>st</sup> January 23) for a pair of Pads with inline transformer but mentioned there is currently a delay on supply. The first aid trainer suggested these would be useful to have/best practice.

APPROVED The councillors all agreed to order this as soon as supply is available

## 9. Councillor T Heenan to explain modifications needed to the Neighbourhood Plan.

The transport policies were removed from the Neighbourhood Plan by the inspector who advised to get the plan Made and then modify it. Transport policies are needed due to the proposals at Ansty, the A5 growth and the local plan being brought forward for review (although Councillor H Timms advised that a full review of the plan could take 5 years) £10k grants are available from Locality and must be applied for before the end of January.

# 10. To Discuss the recently installed CCTV system.

Three cameras are now running but the system is not up to expectations as per the sales pitch. Payment has not been made yet and the company have been contacted putting our position. If we are not satisfied consideration will be given to having it removed.

# 11. To Approve the purchase of Cloud Storage for the Clerks files.

As recommended by WALC cloud storage to secure the Clerks files can be purchased for £140 per year. APPROVED – CLERK TO ACTION All Councillors approved the purchase.

# 12. Recent Correspondence between the Parish Council and Brinklow Football Club.

A complaint regarding urinating on the play equipment and the bad language used during football games was sent to the Football Club. The possibility of isolating the changing room toilets to external use only during games to be considered, it was agreed that it is extremely difficult to control the language used, especially by visiting teams. A mention of being responsible when using the playing field is to go into Round the Revel. Excrement on the playing field was raised but this could be due to foxes not dogs, advice will be taken from pest control. More cutting back of the undergrowth will take place. The football club were asked to ensure any cuttings cleaned off equipment used by themselves is cleared up and not left for the Lengthsmen to clear.

## **COUNCILLOR S BROWN TO ACTION**

#### 13. To Discuss and Agree a response to Planning Application.

**R21/0685 – 69 Lutterworth Road – to install a dropped kerb on an existing access:** Residents at 53 and 57 Lutterworth Road do not support the dropped kerb due to possible additional traffic up a small track. There have been previous applications for a very large garage at the rear of this property. The frequency and purpose of use of this need to be known.

RESOLVED Without knowing the frequency and purpose of use we do not support this application.

# 14. To Approve the Accounts for Payment:

Payee	Total Payments	Payment Particulars
Soldo	500.00	Soldo card top up
Colledge Tree & Landscape Ltd	660.00	tree pruning
Npower	1298.80	Electricity for streetlights 1st Oct- 31st Dec2022
Stately Fabrications Ltd	552.00	Christms tree metal work
T Heenan	10.07	Ethernet adaptor
J Lomas	250.00	grant: delivered xmas meals for pensioners
SA & E Friswell	160.00	2x xmas trees
J Boonham	274.69	salary & backpay
D Lloyd	628.55	salary & backpay
N Gatty	220.00	website maintenance

# APPROVED All approved for payment as above.

# 15. Progress Reports for Information -

## • Brinklow Castle:

The banks of the Tump have been trimmed and meshing is to be sourced to make the sleeper bridges non slip. A tree is to be taken down by the tree surgeon when the weather permits leaving a 6 meter monolith for birds and wild life.

## • Playing Field:

A Tree inspection is due. Three quotes are being obtained for a green Armco barrier and reflective tape to replace the parking posts which are all rotting.

# • Grant Funding:

A £10K locality grant is being applied for to help fight the Ansty proposal. It was suggested that the villages should all get together, with Ansty village, to achieve the best result. To be discussed at the next meeting.

## 16. Correspondence received for information.

Nothing received.

# To re-confirm the date of the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.

The Meeting Closed at 8.30pm	
	CHAIRMAN