



Brizlincote Parish Council

Spring 2025
Issue 39

Chair - Cllr Andy Mason

Welcome to this edition of The Parish Newsletter.

I hope that you will find the content useful as it shows not only what we have been doing in the interests of our community and what we have planned, but also how we link to other organisations doing their bit to enhance our area or provide worthwhile activities.

I am sad to also share that unfortunately due to lack of volunteers, the parish council are no longer able to hand deliver newsletters to every dwelling in the parish and the council have decided to leave copies in Co-op, Woods Lane, Stapenhill Post Office, Tesco Express, The Grove and The Elms. If you would like an electronic copy of the newsletter, or would like a few copies to hand deliver to residents who are unable to visit these stores or obtain access to a copy electronically, please do contact the clerk who will assist where possible.

Also, since our last publication we are unfortunately saying goodbye to Cllr Michael Day and Cllr Jay Trivedy. We wish them well for the future and would like to thank them for their contribution to the community.

VE and VJ Day



This year many families and community groups etc will be acknowledging VE and VJ event. The parish council wanted to share with residents the importance of acknowledging these events and you will see in this edition, that the parish are also marking the events too. Brizlincote Parish Council was established in 2003 and was created by combining part of both Winshill and Stapenhill parishes. Brizlincote commemorates those local

residents who were from what became Brizlincote Parish and who lost their lives whilst serving during World War II and we reflect on those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the pursuit of freedom and peace.



VE DAY
80TH ANNIVERSARY
A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION
8 MAY 2025

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

[VE/VJ Day](#)

[VE Day Celebration 3rd May](#)

[VJ Commemoration 17th August](#)

[Summer Fun Afternoon, The Hollows 9th August](#)

[11 East Side School Art Event](#)

[Friends of Scalpcliffe Wood update](#)

[Litter picker volunteers](#)



Brizlincote Parish Councillors' and Officer Contact Details

Lynne Campion	07540600111	Andy Mason	07947515264	Walid Qneibi	07810 808895
Joe Fox	07703790223	Sarah Moss	07539069538	Vacancy	It could be you
Brian Judd	01283 533052	Rita Page	07857 676099	Vacancy	It could be you
				Clerk:	01283 533011



Many thanks to local historian M Goode for providing the parish council with the following information.

Stapenhill and Winshill Residents lost

Adams DFC Robert Flt Lt 120247 630 Sqdn RAFVR k.e.a. 22nd June 1944 age 32

Shotton, Cyril Peter. Sgt 625411, 166 Squadron RAF k.i.a. on 5th August 1933 age 23

Dakin, Arthur Henry, Sgt 4278033 7th Bn Royal Northumberland Fusiliers died on 16th August 1044 age 32

Gilbert, William John, Pte 5127890 12th (10th Bn Green Howards (Yorkshire Regt) bn. Parachute Regt A.A.C. k.i.a. on 22nd August 1944 age 18

Astbury, Leslie, Trooper 7960812, Northamptonshire, Yeomanry, died on 23rd August 1944 age 20

Redfern, James. Corporal 5053512, 2/6th Bn. South Staffordshire Reg, k.i.a. on 8th July 1944 age 29

Swift, Wilfred George, Sgt 5049402, 6th Bn. North Staffordshire Regt, died on 8th July 1988 age 32

Roulstone, Samuel Walter, Private 5892239, 2nd Bn. Devonshire Regt, died 11th July 1944, aged 21.

Litchfield, Ivy. Leading Aircraftwoman 2106058, Womens Auxiliary Air Force killed in a road accident on 25th July 1944 age 21

VE Day 80th Anniversary Commemoration and Celebrations—3rd May 2025

Please join us on **SATURDAY 3rd MAY 12pm-2.00 pm** in Merrydale Road (opposite The Grove public house)

12.15 pm Reverend Philip Boshier and Canon Geoffrey Willett will lead us in a commemoration

This will be followed by War Time songs and music. Refreshments by Briz. W.I Many thanks to Art Stone Memorials for donating memorial plaques to BrizIncote.

Red, White and Blue coloured or War Style Fashions welcomed! (please note that this event is taking place a few days before the actual date – 8th May).

Commemoration of Victory in Japan and the end of WWII—17th August 2025

Brizlincote Parish Council invite you to join us on Sunday 17th August at the memorial plaque (Merrydale Road) to commemorate the 80th Anniversary Victory in Japan which effectively resulted in the end of World War II.

Please check local Brizlincote Parish Council noticeboards and website (Brizlincote-pc.gov.uk) for more detailed information nearer to the above date.

SAVE THE DATE
9TH AUGUST
FAMILY FUN
AFTERNOON



Summer Activities in the Park, off Stapenhill Road, —The Hollows—
9th August 1pm to 3pm

The parish council are hosting an event at The Hollows for families with 5 to 17 year olds.

Come along and sample zorbing, battlezone archery, Nerf, 5 a side football, axe throwing, archery. Trained coaches will be on site.

Refreshments will be available for purchasing. Bring a picnic too.

11 East Side School Arts Event 2025—Presentation
Saturday 27th September 2025

Brizlincote Parish Council are progressing for this years art event which will be taking place in September at The Brewhouse. Our theme this year with will be Peace.

Brizlincote Residence Litter Group

Some may have noticed that a local Volunteer Litter Picking Group in Brizlincote has been established, with support from both the Parish Council and Tesco Express, Best Avenue and Co-op, Woods Lane. There are 4 regular pickers and a total of 15 people having helped so far.



The litter seems to come from various sources, from car windows along the Beaufort Road / Violet Way, along with a trail also leading to the school. The group are filling 2-3 large sacks every week just along this route.

There is also an increase in van drivers kicking their footwells clean, both into the Tesco car park and along kerbsides where they are working, whilst the steps to the shops car park, Grafton Rd trees and Keble Close steps also needing regular tidying.

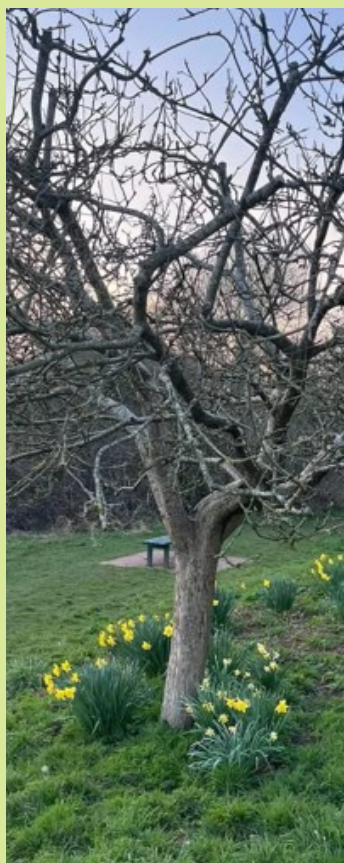
The groups meets every Thursday 2pm to do a litter pick and also the the 2nd Saturday of the month

If you wish to join us for a good hour's walk whilst helping the community to look smarter, please come along at either of the above times, or contact Craig Chapman 07414 753835 or the Parish Council.

Useful contact details

East Staffordshire Borough Council, General enquiries: 01283 508000

Staffordshire County Council, General enquiries: 0300 111 8000



Friends of Scalpcliffe Woods

Over the autumn and winter months we made it our ambition to clear an area of brambles that was engulfing several large oaks in the top field. We cleared an incredible amount, as can be seen from the resulting brash piles. The hill as usual became quite muddy with the wet weather and highlighted where a few more steps would be useful at the top of the hill. It has been most rewarding, when walkers have stopped to comment on our efforts, to know that our sessions in the woodland are appreciated. If you too would like to feel the rewards of spending time, enhancing the woodland for visitors and enjoying your local nature reserve with like-minded volunteers please contact us at foswde15@gmail.com. Extra hands are always welcome and you can join as many or as few sessions as you want.

If you would like to support us but feel you are unable to join by becoming a member of The Friends of Scalpcliffe Woods please consider taking part in the East Staffordshire Community Lottery <https://www.eaststaffordshirecommunitylottery.co.uk/> Importantly, choosing to support The Friends of Scalpcliffe Woods. Half of the ticket price will then be donated to us, helping with our running costs. We would be most grateful.

Brizlincote Memorial Copse

During your visit to the Wildflower Meadow you may notice that some of the trees have been dedicated to those who have sadly passed away but were closely associated with Brizlincote. ESBC have kindly offered this area to Brizlincote as a memorial copse. If you are interested in dedicating a tree to a loved one who lived or worked within a one mile radius of the parish please contact clerk@brizlincote-pc.gov.uk. Please be aware that specific criteria in relation to commemoration trees applies.

Brizlincote Nature Walk Community Orchard.

The Parish Council have been working with our contractors to improve the health of our fruit trees in the community orchard and we hope you enjoy the results later in the year when you can pick a variety of apples and pears. We are considering holding an Apple Festival here in 2026- is this something that might interest you? – please let us know by contacting clerk@brizlincote-pc.gov.uk. Alternatively, why not take a picnic and enjoy the views over the valley?

Volunteer Groups

Are you part of a volunteer group which you would like to highlight for the work they do locally? We would love to hear your stories and experiences of the benefit which they offer with a view to including these in future issues. Please contact clerk@brizlincote-pc.gov.uk