

BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on Thursday 9th August 2012

Present:

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Jim Muir, Kay Sherratt, Arthur Goldstraw, Ruth Goldstraw, Cedric Insley, Graham Lomas and Bill Warrilow

Apologies:

Councillors Ian Webster, Peter Lyne and Michael Ball

Public:

ESBC Councillors Jake Fellows and Bernard Peters, 14 members of the public, one member of the press and Clerk - Liz James

32/12 Public Participation

The members of the public were welcomed to the meeting and there was discussion regarding the Model Dairy Farm planning application. This led to discussion regarding the impact of the traffic and the timing of the traffic survey which had been carried out for the purposes of the planning application on 23rd August – therefore in the middle of the school summer holidays. It was felt that this survey would have had a very different result had it been undertaken on a cold winter's school day morning. There was also discussion regarding the siting of the kickabout areas and the visibility and ditches. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to ESBC to make it clear that the Parish Council would like to take a view with regard to planting, play areas and open spaces when the reserved matters are approved for this application. **Clerk to action**

The potential changes to street lighting were discussed. The majority of those present felt that dimmable lights were the best way forward for the Parish and this view will be taken forward as the consultations continue with SCC.

32/12 – Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared by any member in any matter identified for discussion at the Meeting.

33/12- Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (19th July 2012)

The Minutes of the July Parish Council Meeting, held on 19th July 2012 were approved with amendments to correct the names of those present.

Matters arising:

26/12 - Councillor Goldstraw requested a copy of the Land registry document be sent to him. It was noted that under the same point, the gullies had not been dealt with as yet.

34/12 –Brizlincote in Bloom competition

The results of the competition were distributed and discussed. Councillor Goldstraw proposed that the awards ceremony take place at Violet Way Academy and it was agreed to hold the ceremony at the beginning of the meeting to be held on 20th September 2012. Councillor Lomas offered to contact Trent Trophies to arrange an additional trophy for the new category this year and to arrange the engraving of all trophies. The Clerk was asked to invite all the competitors and the judges to the next meeting and to purchase the vouchers and arrange the certificates as required.

35/12- Noticeboard provision and Parish signage

It was agreed that this matter should be looked at when Councillor Ball is present to discuss the needs further. It was agreed also that the matter of the gullies should be put onto the next newsletter. There was information received from Dennis Fletcher of Winshill Parish Council and from Jim Muir regarding parish signs. Again, it was felt that this should go forward at a committee level first.

36/12 –Grant Application from ESCVS following further documentation received

There was much discussion over this application. It was agreed to ask the representatives to attend the next meeting to discuss the work being done to see how this benefits the members of the parish and whether the Parish Council could help further with regard to using the newsletter as a means of communication. The Clerk was asked to invite the representatives to the September meeting and to put this matter on the agenda for that meeting. **Clerk to action**

37/12- Parish Plan Questionnaires- updates including online survey data collected so far

The Clerk distributed the current data as collated from both the online and the paper versions of the questionnaires. It was agreed that the Clerk should cancel the SurveyMonkey subscription from August and that she should reconvene the Committee in September to discuss further progress with

the Parish Plan.

38/12- Planning Applications and Decisions

Planning applications received for observations:

P/2012/00739, Conversion of integral garage to form additional living accommodation, 33 The Maltings. - Planning Committee have considered and had no comments.

Permission granted: P/2012/00645, Alterations to the front elevation including the removal of the external stairs to facilitate to insertion of a bay window and the conversion of the basement to additional living accommodation, 27 Doveridge Road -noted

39/12 - County and Borough Councillors' reports

Councillor Peters commented on the flowerbeds in the Parish and the work of the WI in their upkeep. The compliments received as part of the Burton in Bloom judging were noted. The installation of the yellow lines in Greenvale Close was also reported as was the work completed in Tower Woods. This led to a discussion regarding Dog Control Orders on such open spaces. Councillor Fellows gave an update regarding antisocial behaviour at the back of the gardens on Derwent Road and noted that fencing and planting would be installed to minimise the issues and that police patrols were to be stepped up slightly in the area. Councillor Fellows also reported that he was still following up with Mr Mike Maryon regarding the junction of Spring Terrace Road and Stapenhill Road.

40/12 – Correspondence

Date	From	Regarding	Action
24 th July 2012	ESBC	East Staffordshire Local Plan – Preferred Option	Consultation period until 21 st September 2012 - read by GW and passed to JM
July 2012	SCC	Farmed Species Seminar	Event noted and leaflets distributed
24 th July 2012	SCC	Green Paper launch	Noted

41/12 – Finance

Accounts to be approved for payment:

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Liz James	Wages for August (as contracted)	510.13	0.00	510.13
Liz James	Expenses (as detailed)	142.48	0.00	142.48
Brizlincote in Bloom Judges	Contribution towards expenses for judging	30.00	0.00	30.00

The Clerk was asked to purchase another £25.00 garden Centre Voucher as there are now 4 categories to be awarded at the September meeting Awards for Brizlincote in Bloom.

All were in agreement that these payments be approved.

42/12 – Clerk's and Members reports

Councillor Warrilow discussed the reports in the Burton Mail regarding road markings and noted that now these are in place, Speedwatch can restart.

Councillor Muir led a discussion regarding the use of mobile phones whilst driving.

Councillor Lomas queried a comment made in the Burton Mail regarding Community facilities being park of the Model Dairy Farm planning application and clarified the position.

Councillors Goldstraw and Warrilow gave their apologies for the September Parish Council meeting, Councillor Willett made a comment regarding the spacing of the bus pick up points along New Street. This was noted with the ESBC Councillors who also advised that Councillor Willett raise this matter directly with Philip Somerfield at ESBC.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 20th September 2012.

Note:

If any Member has any general questions about the Meeting or the associated agenda papers, or is unable to attend, he/she is asked to contact Liz James, the Clerk of the Council. Telephone 01538 702077, or email barabarani@aol.com Correspondence should be sent to Fox House, Tythe Barn, Alton, Staffordshire, ST10 4AZ

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