

## **BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012

### **Present:**

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Jim Muir, Kay Sherratt and Graham Lomas

### **Apologies:**

Councillors Ian Webster, Arthur Goldstraw, Ruth Goldstraw, Peter Lyne, Cedric Insley, Bill Warrilow, Michael Ball, Bernard Peters and Jake Fellows

### **Public:**

18 members of the public , Andy Mason of ESBC, Charlotte Holland of ESCVS and Clerk - Liz James

### **43/12 Public Participation**

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and then made the presentations of certificates, prizes and trophies from the Brizlincote in Bloom competition held earlier in the year. The Judges and Competitors were thanked for all their efforts as were the Councillors who helped to organise, publicise and oversee the event. The Council hope for the continuation and growth of the competition over the coming years. Photographs were taken for the newsletter.

A member of the public gave information regarding a potential grant application for The Glebe to upgrade their fire alarms, emergency lighting and fire doors which should come to the Council over the next month or so. She was thanked for the information and the application will be discussed by the Council when it is received.

Andy Mason of ESBC explained the role of the Neighbourhood Forum and the Neighbourhood Working Team. He spoke regarding setting the Neighbourhood Priorities for the next year and priorities around paths and hedges within the Parish were identified. Mr Mason also offered to assist with grant funding for the work required at The Glebe.

### **44/12 – Declarations of Interest.**

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

### **45/12- Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (9<sup>th</sup> August 2012)**

The Minutes of the August Parish Council Meeting, held on 9<sup>th</sup> August 2012 were approved..

### **46/12-Grant Application from ESCVS**

The Council discussed and considered the application for £500 to help to sustain work clubs running in East Saffordshire. Total cost of project £9000. Same level of grant application sent to Shobnall, Anglesey, Winshill, Horninglow/Eton, County Councillor Peter Davis and a request for match funding to Orbit Housing. Charlotte Holland, a representative from ESCVS spoke to the Council regarding the projects and took various questions. The Chair proposed the grant of £500 be made if Orbit match funding was forthcoming. This was seconded by Councillor Muir and all were in agreement.

**Clerk to action**

### **47/12 – Updates regarding Brizlincote Valley paths and open spaces inspections**

As reported by Trudi Joyce of ESBC - this led to general discussion regarding rechecking of parish areas. Councillor Lomas gave an update from the recent meeting between Councillor Peters and Trudi Joyce of ESBC. Work was due to be completed within a 3 week time frame but had not been completed at the time of the meeting. The Clerk was asked to contact Andy Mason and Trudi Joyce to ask when the work is due to be finished and also to add Clematis and Jasmine Close work. The Clerk was also asked to find out how often areas should be mown as some areas only appear to have been mowed twice this year to date. A meeting with Paul Steed regarding wild flower areas is still due to take place. It was suggested that a meeting be called between Paul Steed, Bill Warrilow, Trudi Joyce, Graham Lomas and the Chair to take some of these matters forward. Clarification regarding the hedges on Beaufort Green was given.

### **48/12 – A444 Stapenhill Road/Spring Terrace Road, proposed kerb realignment**

These plans to be discussed as communicated by SCC. Comments from Councillors Goldstraw were read to the meeting and the Clerk was asked to invite Ian Vickers of SCC to the next Parish Council Meeting in order to discuss this matter fully.

**Clerk to action**

### **49/12 Planning Applications and Decisions**

Re Model Dairy Farm – Clerk gave an update regarding highways and planting, open spaces and play area planning. It was agreed that the comments made at the last meeting regarding these matters should be passed on to the planning authority.

**Clerk to action**

Crown reduction by 50% of one willow and 40% of two conifers, 2 Clay Street – **no objections**

Erection of a 2 storey rear extension, 1 Clay Street – **no objections**

**Permissions granted:**

Erection of a rear conservatory, 60 Clay Street,

Conversion of integral garage to form additional living accommodation, 33 The Maltings

Erection of a single storey and rear extension, glazed canopy to side with barrel drop and increase in height of boundary wall, The Elms Inn, 36 Stapenhill Road – **all noted**

**50/12 - County and Borough Councillors' reports**

Written reports from both Councillors were read to the meeting and noted.

**51/12 – Correspondence**

Date	From	Regarding	Action
September 2012	SPCA	Newsletters, Annual report and accounts and community bulk oil buying scheme details	Distributed and noted
16 <sup>th</sup> August 2012	SCC	Rights of Way Team changes	Noted
14 <sup>th</sup> August 2012	ESBC	Washlands Action Plan 'One Year On' Event	Possibly GW to attend
August 2012	Staffordshire Police Authority	Transition Update	Noted
20 <sup>th</sup> August 2012	SCC	Streetlighting – Energy Conservation Initiative	To be added to the next newsletter
August 2012	ESBC – Shelley Irvine	Neighbourhood Priorities for 2013	Noted
29 <sup>th</sup> August 2012	Audit Commission	Appointment of External auditor	Noted
September 2012	ESBC	Council Tax benefit changes	Noted
September 2012	Ian Webster	Resignation	Clerk asked to write to thank Councilor Webster for his contributions

**52/12 – Finance**

Accounts approved for payment:

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Liz James	Wages for September (as contracted)	510.13	0.00	510.13
Liz James	Expenses (as detailed – amount TBC)	120.09	0.00	120.09
Trent Trophies	New trophy and engraving	77.50	0.00	77.50
Parishcouncil.net	Hosting and support (Silver Package)	200.00	0.00	200.00
Audit Commission	Audit Fee 2011/12	135.00	27.00	162.00

All were in agreement that these payments be approved.

**Clerk to action**

**53/12 – Clerk's and Members reports**

Councillor Muir asked the Clerk to invite a representative from ESBC Planning to attend a meeting to outline the changes to planning regimes due to the new legislation regarding extensions and how this will relate to planning applications through the Council.

**Clerk to action**

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> October 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](mailto:barabarani@aol.com) Correspondence should be sent to Fox House, Tythe Barn, Alton, Staffordshire, ST10 4AZ

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