

BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on Thursday 17th January 2012

Present:

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Kay Sherratt, Cedric Insley, Arthur Goldstraw, Ruth Goldstraw, Peter Lyne, Bill Warrilow, Adrian Cowan and Graham Lomas

Apologies:

Councillors Michael Ball, ESBC Councillors Bernard Peters and Jake Fellows

Public:

2 members of the public , and Clerk - Liz James

89/12 Public Participation

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting. There was a query regarding The Model Dairy Farm from one member of the public. The Chair confirmed that there had been no further communication on this matter. Reports from the two Borough Councillors were read to the meeting and it was noted that there was no communication from the County Councillor.

90/12 – Declarations of Interest,

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

91/12- Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (20th December 2012)

The Minutes of the December Parish Council Meeting, held on 20th December 2012 were approved.

Matters Arising

The matter of the movement of the Stapenhill sign by the cemetery is currently under review. Police cover for the area was raised but was covered under a later item.

92/12- Co-option of Mr Adrian Cowan to the Parish Council

Councillor Arthur Goldstraw proposed the co-option of Mr Cowan to the Council. This was seconded and approved unanimously by all and Councillor Cowan completed the appropriate paperwork. There was some discussion over the committees that Councillor Cowan may be able to become involved with and it was agreed that the Publicity & Newsletter Committee may well benefit from another member.

Clerk to action

93/12- February Newsletter

The proof copy of the newsletter to go to print was distributed. A couple of minor updates and changes were agreed. Many thanks were extended to Councillor Lomas for all his work on this edition.

94/12 – Feedback from Policing and Partnerships event in East Staffordshire 2013

Councillor Warrilow reported on this event which had taken place earlier that week. Much of the time had been spent on discussing the recent drug raids but Councillor Warrilow had been able to speak to the Chief Inspector about staffing for Brizlincote and also the Neighbourhood Inspector. A new officer has been taken on for the area and special constables should also be providing a visible presence. As part of this, a report on the recent PACT meeting was also given by those who attended. It was noted that it would be useful for copies of the Newsletter to go to the local police station and neighbourhood team. The Clerk was asked to request that someone representing the local policing team could be invited to attend the February or March meeting once personnel are settled into their new roles.

Clerk to action

95/12- Speedwatch

Councillor Warrilow reported that he has been asked to provide or organise a poster asking for volunteers to join the team, which can be placed on ESBC noticeboards around the local area.

96/12 - Parking around Foxglove Avenue

Councillor Warrilow raised this matter with the local policing team. Where this is causing an obstruction, the police can become involved. Otherwise, parking offences come back to the Borough Council. The police will have a look at the issues on this road to see if the current parking is causing an obstruction.

97/12 –Dates for meetings in 2013

The meetings' dates for the upcoming year were circulated and confirmed. These will be advertised via

the website and notice boards as room permits.

The Chair encouraged any members of the Council who had items that they wished to put onto the agenda to contact the Clerk for items to be included.

98/12- Precept setting for 2013-2014

The Clerk reported that there had been no changes to the proposed grant allocation as a result of the ESBC Cabinet Meeting on 14th January 2013 and therefore the precept was finalised and ratified at £14,800 precept taking into account the grant allocation of £1200 bringing the total income up to £16,000.

99/12 – Correspondence

Date	From	Regarding	Action
31/12/12	Bernard Peters	Hedge at Darley Close	Noted
3/1/13	David Kingman	FOI request	Discussed
8/1/13	NHS111	Invitation to public engagement events	Noted

100/12 – Finance

1. Accounts to be Approved for Payment

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Liz James	Wages for December (as contracted)	510.13	0.00	510.13
Liz James	Expenses	32.00	0.00	32.00

All were in agreement that these payments be approved.

Clerk to action

101/12 – Clerk's and Members reports

Councillor Lyne raised the issue of proliferation of solar panels and central government policy regarding planning permission. This led to a discussion around renewable energy sources.

Councillor Warrilow reported that the grit bins needed refilling – especially on Honeysuckle View and queried the arrival of the stickers for the new Grit Bins.

Clerk to follow up

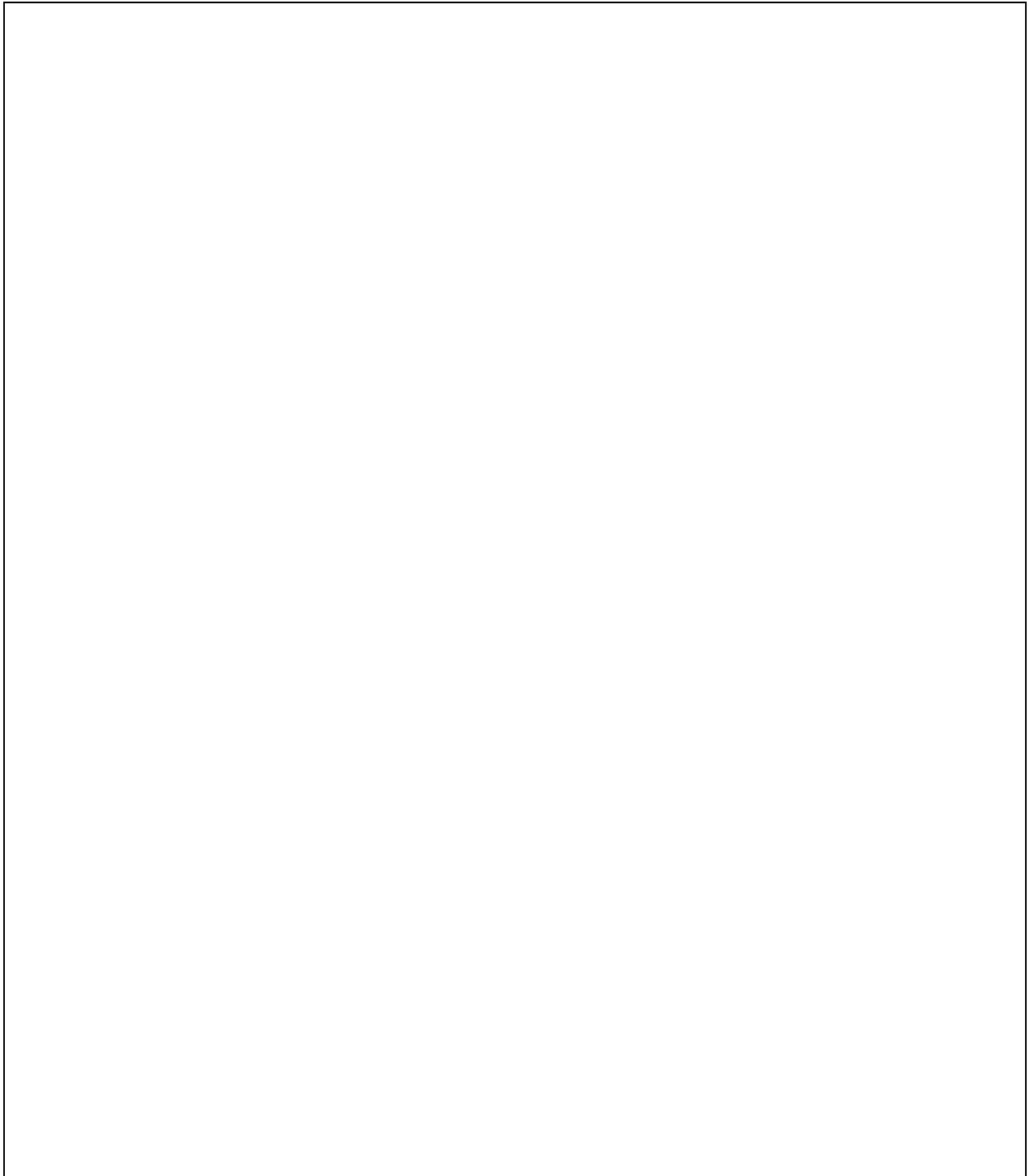
Councillor Cowan reported the litter issues around Paulet School especially on the public footpaths.

This has been raised with Trudi Joyce of ESBC and it was reported that the area is litter picked every fortnight. Litter is also being emptied out of cars parking outside schools – this has been noted at Violet Way Academy. The Clerk was asked to write to both schools on the issue. **Clerk to action**

The Chair spoke about the potential to take forward the idea of a Youth Council for the parish like Winshill. His view was that this may need to involve Stapenhill Parish Council as well due to the school catchment areas. It was also noted that it would be good to involve those who are not in school in addition and that they could perhaps be reached through the Newsletter. It was agreed that the Chair would write to the Head of Paulet to request a meeting to take this forward. Councillor Lyne also offered to become involved in this project.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 20th February 2013.



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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