

## BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013

### Present:

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

### Apologies:

Borough Councillor Bernard Peters

### Public:

County Councillor Conor Wileman, Borough Councillor Jake Fellows, 1 member of the press and Clerk - Liz James

### 28/13 Public Participation

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

County Councillor Conor Wileman gave feedback regarding the idea of parking around the schools with the coverage in the Burton Mail having received some positive responses. He also gave updates on the mowing of grass verges and signage.

A written report from Borough Councillor Peters was read to the meeting – the matter of signage was discussed under matters arising (below).

### 29/13 – Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared by any member in any matter identified for discussion at the Meeting. New Declarations of Interest forms were completed by Councillors as requested by ESBC and the Clerk collected these for forwarding to the correct officer at ESBC.

### 30/13 - Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (20<sup>th</sup> June 2013)

The Council approved as a correct record, the Minutes of the June Parish Council Meeting, held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

### Matters arising:

The Clerk was asked to respond to Councillor Peters with regard to the signage suggested by his report. The Council were bewildered at the suggestion of signage at welcoming people to Briz Valley – both by the wording and the positioning as the two sites suggested were ones rejected by BPC due to the boundaries of the parishes on both Stanton Road and Ashby Road. The lack of consultation and co-operation was noted with surprise. **Clerk to action**

The lack of action regarding the pavement at Quorn Close was commented upon and Councillor Wileman gave an update regarding the formal letter sent from SCC to BT. It was noted that Richard Rayson was currently on leave but that action will be taken.

Councillor Muir reported that the ownership of the land on Elms Road had been looked into and that the residents do not believe that they are liable for maintenance. This matter was to be investigated by Borough Councillor Jake Fellows.

### **31/13 – Brizlincote in Bloom**

Councillor Lomas gave an update on the number of entries and the format for judging which will take place on August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2013.

Councillor Insley raised the matter of Marlborough Crescent and the area of flowerbeds. This prompted a discussion regarding volunteers looking after these beds and also a suggestion of the planting of wild meadow grass.

### **32/13 – Litter picking**

The Council received a report from Councillor Cowan regarding the litter pick to take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July meeting outside Violet Way Academy at 10.00am. This has been publicised through the website, Facebook and the Burton Mail. Bags, picking sticks, hoops and the subsequent collection of the rubbish by the Borough Council have all been organised by Councillor Cowan.

### **33/13 – Feedback from the PACT meeting and Police Tour**

The Chair gave information regarding the PACT. After another low turnout, it had been decided that no future dates should be set at this time, Police representatives will aim to attend Parish Council meetings more often in the future.

Councillor Warrilow gave feedback from his tour of the Police Headquarters on 25<sup>th</sup> June to see the new 101 system in operation. More feedback will be given in due course once all the tours have taken place.

### **34/13 – Parish Maintenance**

The Clerk gave some feedback on this matter and after discussion, it was agreed that a feasibility study with costings would be put together. A copy of the previous schedules was passed to the Clerk to help with this work and she was advised to contact ESBC with regard to the element of the precept which is ring-fenced for this sort of maintenance to see if some of this could be re-allocated to Parish level. **Clerk to action**

### **35/13 - Planning Applications and Decisions**

P/2013/00681 18 St Peters Street Stapenhill Burton upon Trent Staffordshire DE15 9AW,  
Erection of a three storey rear extension to facilitate the formation of two additional flats.  
**Planning committee observed that inadequate parking provision has been made for the additional dwellings as well as noting several errors within the application paperwork. The Clerk had passed on the comments to the Planning Officer.**

### **36/13 – Correspondence**

Date	From	Regarding	Action
1st July	ESBC	SCI Consultation	Chair reported – named officer is

			Corrine O'Hare
1st July	Natalie Ashman	Advice request	Chair has met with the resident and reported back

### 37/13 – Finance

#### 1. Accounts to be Approved for Payment

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Liz James	Wages and Expenses for July (approved May)	458.86	0.00	458.86
Bloomin' Gardens	Flowerbed clearing	70.00	14.00	70.00
Bill Warrilow	Expenses	22.50	0.00	22.50

All were in agreement that these payments be approved and paid. **Clerk to action**

#### 27/13 – Clerk's and Members reports

The Clerk reported regarding information received on the allotments transfer.

Councillor Lyne commented on the dogs on leads order behind Jasmine Close. The following discussion noted that new signs had been requested from Duane Drew of ESBC to replace those already missing.

Councillor Warrilow reported on the cleaning of the graffiti reported at Daleside and on the managing agent of Tesco Express so that the Clerk could contact them regarding the idea of a barrier. **Clerk to action**

It was also noted that the Neighbourhood Warden had been made redundant.

The Chair reminded the meeting of the Civic Service on 21<sup>st</sup> July to which all were welcome.

The meeting was then closed to allow Councillor Jake Fellows to report as he had not been present at the start of the meeting. He reported that ESBC had a new homeless strategy and on the re-instatement of the bedding area at Beaufort Road. There was also further discussion regarding the Spring Terrace/Springfield junction. The hedges on Elms Road will be cut back at the end of August allowing for nesting.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

**The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> August 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](mailto:barabarani@aol.com) Correspondence should be sent to Fox House, Tythe Barn, Alton, Staffordshire, ST10 4AZ

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