

BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on Thursday 17th April 2014

Present:

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

Apologies:

Borough Councillors Jake Fellows and Bernard Peters

Public:

One member of the public, a press representative, County Councillor Conor Wileman and Clerk - Liz James

111/13 Public Participation

The member of the public was welcomed. There were no items raised.

Councillor Wileman gave information regarding the speed indicator signs currently being put up by Violet Way and the distribution of the 20mph leaflets to the school. Thanks were extended to SCC for the Brizlincote signage and the positioning was discussed.

Councillor Peters' report was read and noted as was the Traffic Regulation Order that he had forwarded.

112/13 – Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared by any member in any matter identified for discussion at the Meeting. Clarification is to be sought regarding interests to be declared with regard to Governors at the School and a planning application for Violet Way Academy.

113/13 - Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (23rd March 2014)

The Council approved as a correct record, the Minutes of the March Parish Council Meeting, held on 23rd March 2014.

Matters arising:

The Clerk gave an update regarding the Emergency Plan.

The Clerk also updated the meeting regarding electronic planning consultations – it was agreed that the Parish Council prefers paper copies to discuss.

The Chair explained that Youth Council was not on the Agenda because he had not been able to speak to the teacher concerned at Paulet School. It was requested that this be put onto the May Agenda.

Clerk to action

114/13 - Feedback from site meeting with Andy Mason at Tower Woods on 8th April

Councillors Warrilow and Lomas met with Mr Mason and costings for getting the stone required to the site to improve the paths are currently awaited.

115/13 – Stapenhill War Memorial

The report from the Green Spaces Committee was discussed at length. The rationale of the report was generally agreed and after much consideration it was suggested by the Chair that the report could be accepted and sent on to Stapenhill Parish Council for their consideration in view of ideas regarding the planting of bulbs, cleaning and maintenance. This was proposed by Councillor Insley, seconded by Councillor Arthur Goldstraw and all were in favour.
Clerk to action

116/13 Violet Way Parking Feasibility Study

The report was discussed and the various options appraised. There were comments regarding the cost of the proposed interventions and where this funding should be sought. Councillor Lyne proposed that Councillor Wileman be supported by the Parish Council to go forward with the project which is to move to design and full costing stage. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Ball and a vote was taken. It was found that six were in favour, one against and there were two abstentions. This motion was therefore passed.

117/13 – Grant Application from Roman Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary

The application was considered by the Council. It was noted that it was unclear how many members of the parish would potentially be benefited by this development – therefore the application did not meet criteria 2. It was proposed by Councillor Lyne that the application be granted. This was seconded by Councillor Willett and a vote was taken. There were two in favour, seven against and two abstentions. The Clerk was asked to notify the organisation and to ask them to address criteria 2 which would allow the application to be reconsidered in full at the next meeting.
Clerk to action

118/13 – Planning Applications and Decisions

Councillor Muir gave an update regarding a planning application at Violet Way Academy. This will be re-submitted in due course.

Erection of a single storey front extension, 55 Doveridge Road, DE15 9GD – **planning committee no objection**

Conversion of integral garage, and erection of front porch, 4 Grizedale Close, DE15 9GQ - **permitted**

119/13 – Committees

The Chair asked the Council to consider the current Councillor responsibilities as listed overleaf to review membership of committees, committees themselves and terms of reference including whether to elect a Chairman of each committee:

Geoffrey Willett	Planning, Finance and Governance, Footpaths and Planting
Bill Warrilow	Planning, Footpaths and Planting, Highways
Michael Ball	Website and Publicity
Arthur Goldstraw	Contracts and Complaints, Planning and Personnel
Kay Sherratt	Finance and Governance
Jim Muir	Finance and Governance
Graham Lomas	Footpaths, Highways and Planting, Website and Publicity, Personnel
Peter Lyne	Finance & Governance
Cedric Insley	Play & Youth (with the Clerk)
Adrian Cowan	Website and Publicity

It was suggested that litter should be added into the responsibilities for one of the committees by Councillor Cowan.

120/13 Correspondence

Date	From	Regarding	Action
March 2014	ESBC	East Staffs revised Sustainability Appraisal report	To consult
7 th April 2014	ESBC	Notice of election 22 nd May 2014	To be displayed
April 2014	Proludic catalogue		noted

121/13 – Finance

Audit paperwork received from Grant Thornton for 2013 – 2014 **Noted**

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Reflex Printing	Newsletter printing	415.00	0.00	415.00
Liz James	Wages for April (awaiting info from accountant re PAYE - to be claimed in May)			
Liz James	Expenses for April (to be claimed in May)			
SPCA	Annual Subs	607.00	0.00	607.00
The Ford Partnership	Payroll Processing	140.00	28.00	168.00

All were in favour of payment.

122/13 – Clerk's and Members reports

The Clerk reported additional items received on litter and dog fouling, BACT, the Local Plan

and the Allotments. These items were all noted.

Councillor Ball reported that there were still four full plots and four half plots available at the Woods Lane site.

Councillor Cowan gave his apologies for the Annual Parish meeting as did Councillors Muir and Goldstraw.

Councillor Insley reported that the bed in Marlborough Crescent is looked very good.

Councillor Willett gave details regarding the clearance and subsequent re-seeding of the bed in Clifton Way Play area.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 15th May 2014.

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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