

## **BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2014

### **Present:**

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Michael Ball, Bill Warrilow, Ruth Goldstraw, Arthur Goldstraw, Cedric Insley & Jim Muir

### **Apologies:**

Borough Councillors Bernard Peters & Jake Fellows, & Parish Councillors Graham Lomas & Peter Lyne,

### **Public:**

County Councillor Conor Wileman, Andy Mason of ESBC, 1 member of the press and Clerk - Liz James

### **67/14 Public Participation**

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

Councillor Wileman reported regarding the Youth provision for Brizlincote and Winshill – the next steps will be a survey of the local young residents and a look at the buildings available. It was noted that the next meeting to take place will be on 9<sup>th</sup> December at the Resources Centre in Winshill. Councillor Willett offered to attend this meeting and suggested that Diane Needham be invited to attend too.

Other items discussed were the Ferry Bridge refurbishment and the Violet Way parking plan. Appreciation was expressed at the efficiency of the work carried out at the Violet Way roundabout and it was noted that the concrete bollard needed replacing.

Reports from the Borough Councillors were also read and accepted. Requests for views regarding an additional footbridge access to the Washlands from Stapenhill Road were made by Cllr Fellows. It was felt that perhaps if development were to take place that this would be useful.

### **68/14– Declarations of Interest**

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

### **69/14 Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (16<sup>th</sup> October 2014)**

The Council approved as a correct record the Minutes of the October Parish Council Meeting, held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014.

### **Matters arising:**

Councillor Ball was thanked for laying the Wreath on behalf of the Parish Council at the Remembrance Day Service.

Councillor Ball thanked all the members of the Council for their support over his time as a Councillor and reported that he will not be standing for re-election next May.

### **70/14 – Stapenhill Hollows Cricket Surface**

Andy Mason reported that the third quotation for the work was due imminently and that once this had been secured, a decision would be made regarding the supplier. The work will be commissioned by ESBC and then charged back to the two Parish Councils (Stapenhill and

Brizlincote). Mr Mason was thanked for all his work in this matter.

#### **71/14 –Planning Applications and Decisions**

Raise lower crown of 5 Atlas cedar trees to 3.5 metres, remove storm damaged branches and tidy torn limbs at Redwood House, 5 Blue Cedars Drive, DE15 0PQ – **planning committee no objections**

Erection of first floor side extension, 21 Grasmere Close, Stapenhill - **permitted**

#### **72/14 Update re Tower Woods Work**

The funding for this project has been approved – work will be commissioned by ESBC and then invoiced to the Parish Council. Andy Mason was thanked again for his work in the matter.

#### **73/14 – Neighbourhood Priorities for November 2014**

The meeting was reminded of the upcoming meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> November of the Neighbourhood Forum and the projects to be put forward by the Parish Council. These have been agreed as:

- Improvements to the path between Derwent Road steps and the path from Tower Woods
- The planting up of the area of the bank by 2 Derwent Road owned by ESBC
- Enhancing play area equipment

#### **74/14 – Fencing to the rear of 66 Doveridge Road**

Councillor Muir gave details regarding this situation. It was agreed to request a further update from David Ward of ESBC and to query who was meeting the expenses of the removal of and re-installation of the cycle barriers.

**Clerk to action**

This led to a discussion regarding parking enforcement on Violet Way where tickets seem to have been issued in error to Violet Lane – which will invalidate those parking tickets.

#### **74/14 –Dog Waste & Litter Bins and Dog Control Order signage**

Councillor Warrilow reported on concerns on the above. Andy Mason reported that Dog Controls order will be changing shortly and that new consultation will be required in due course. Councillor Warrilow undertook to take photographs of the areas of concern as requested by Michael Hovers of ESBC. It was also noted that a waste bin is required in Malvern Street.

#### **75/14 Dates for upcoming meetings of Brizlincote Parish Council to May 2015**

Parish Council meeting dates were finalised as 17<sup>th</sup> December, 15<sup>th</sup> January, 19<sup>th</sup> February, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 16<sup>th</sup> April and 21<sup>st</sup> May. The elections are due to take place on 7<sup>th</sup> May and the Annual Meeting of Parishioners will take place on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

Councillor Muir gave apologies for the January Meeting and Councillor Cowan for the February and

March meetings

#### **76/14 Ideas for expenditure items 2015-2016**

Councillor Cowan put forward projects for an additional 8 30mph signs and to sponsor a bus shelter. Councillor Ball noted that finance should be put aside for the maintenance of the flowerbeds. A sum for youth provision should also be considered.

A meeting was arranged for 7.00pm on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December in order for the budgets to be considered. The Finance Committee will meet at Councillor Willett's home to put together a suggested precept figure for the full Council's consideration at the December meeting.

#### **77/14 Correspondence**

<b>Date</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>Regarding</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>SPCA</b>	<b>Newsletters and other finance info</b>	<b>Noted</b>

#### **78/14 Finance**

##### **Accounts Approved for Payment**

<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Goods or Services</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Net</b>
<b>Liz James</b>	<b>Wages</b>	<b>481.20</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>481.20</b>
<b>Royal British Legion</b>	<b>Wreath and Donation</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>Liz James</b>	<b>Expenses for November</b>	<b>32.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>32.00</b>
<b>Zurich</b>	<b>Insurance renewal</b>	<b>316.07</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>316.07</b>

#### **79/14 Clerk's and Members reports**

A report from Councillor Lomas regarding the cost of ID badges was read and it was agreed to go ahead with this work.

Councillor Ball reported that the Remembrance Day service had gone well.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

**The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2014.**

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