

**MINUTES BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 16TH JULY, 2026,
COMMENCING 6.30 PM AT PAULET HIGH SCHOOL**

Present: Cllrs L Campion, J Fox, S Moss, R Page, A Mason, D Needham, B Judd,
W Topliss

In attendance: Mrs K Lear, member from Trent Rowing Club

535/26-27 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence was noted for Borough Cllrs B Peters, C Wileman and
County Cllr C Wileman

536/26-27 Declarations of interest and receive written applications for dispensations under
the Localism Act 2011

None submitted

537/26-27 Third party reports (Brizlincote Parish Matters only)

No reports were submitted.

538/26-27 Minutes of the meeting

RESOLVED: that the minutes were a true record. Chair to sign.

539/26-27 Chairs report

The Chairman wished to thank everyone for all their work during the excessive
hot weather

Flower trough – Brizlincote Valley – No further anti social behaviour, so the trough
will not be relocated.

Highways reports – Clerk to establish why updates are not being received.

Cadent work – Spring Terrace Road was noted.

Queens Tree and Memorial Copse working party to meet up on Saturday 25th
July, 2026. 11 to 12 noon

LGR Invitation – 30th July 2026, zoom meeting. Cllr A Mason confirmed that he
will attend to represent the council.

Local nature recovery strategy consultation – Clerk to circulate consultation to all
members. Comments and feedback to be submitted to the clerk for submission
within the time frame.

540/26-27 Events – various working group members

Art – The art presentation will be going ahead. ESBC Mayor to be invited. It was
noted that the Headteachers be invited to the art event going forward.

Sports Event – The sports event is now planned for 28th October. It will be hosted
at Paulet High School. Age groups to be advertised. Clerk to send apologies to
vendors who showed some interest in attending the summer event.

Christmas event – 28th November, 2026. Normal refreshments will be hosted.

541/26-27 Report, Heritage open days 11 to 20 September 2026

Brizlincote Parish Council to sponsor a heritage walk sometime during the above period. Elaine Pritchard suggested that she would be happy to do the tour at a mutually convenient date and time. Cllr Mason to explore the feasibility of the event. It was suggested that a banner be displayed at the cemetery making people aware of the event. Decision to be made at the 8th August informal meeting.

RESOLVED: that the event will go ahead. Small budget agreed for the clerk to order a banner advertising the event if required.

542/26-27 Report, litter initiative, September 2026

September to December – Cllr Needham to speak to Paulet High School and Edge Hill School to establish their interest.

2 minute litter picker initiative was discussed briefly. It was suggested that the initiative would be discussed at the informal get together planned in August, approximate cost for free standing board is £500.

543/26-27 Finance

i. Payments

Recipient	Explanation	Payment (includes VAT)	Power/ Method
Payroll	Payroll – July 2026	792.59	GPC/EP
C Wileman	Maintenance works, Nature Walk July	400.00	GPC/EP
S Hart	October half term activity deposit	750.00	GPC/EP
Paulet High School	Hire of school for October half term activity	90.00	GPC/EP
Brewhouse	Brewhouse hire, 19th September 2026	59.50	GPC/EP
L Champion	Expenses	44.17	GPC/EP
C Wileman	Maintenance works - August	200.00	GPC/EP
Payroll	Payroll – August 2026	792.59	GPC/EP

RESOLVED: that payments will be processed.

- i. Income and expenditure review – 1st quarter
The first quarter budget was noted.
Members asked if the clerk would explore a better interest rate.
- ii. Finger post replacements and installation works
RESOLVED: that the finger posts will be replaced (up to 10 were approved). Budget up to £1.5K, clerk to proceed
- lii Interpretation board replacements/repair/relocations
RESOLVED: that the boards are replaced/removed.

- iv. Maintenance works, The Hollows, budget up to £150.00
RESOLVED: that the works would proceed. Clerk to proceed.
- v. Maintenance works, on an ad hoc basis.
RESOLVED: that a local contractor would be appointed to clean the interpretation boards which were remaining as the first project.
- vi. Trent Rowing Club Grant application
Cllr Needham confirmed that she was aware of some other funding which the group could explore. Information to be sent to clerk.
RESOLVED: that a £500 grant would be given.

544/26-27 Planning applications

P/2026/00685 & P/2026/00686 : 136 Scalpcliffe Road. Limited crown reduction by 1.5m to diminish loading and reduce shedding of secondary limbs due to wind breakage on one Copper Beech tree (TPO 101). And P/2026/00686 Removal of canopy deadwood over 20mm in diameter of one Copper Beech tree (TPO 101) – no comments.

P/2026/00704 19 Betony Road. 1) Hazel, remove lowest limb and crown reduction by around 3m. 2)Oak tree reduced back from building and i height by around 3m. 3) 4-Ash, fell tree possible Ash die back. 4)Alder fell tree. 5)Pine, crown raise tree by removal of poor/dead branches. 6)Oak, remove large lowest bough growing towards property. Deadwood remainder of tree. 7)Hazel, coppice to 1.5m. 8)Maple, fell to ground level - no comments.

P/2026/00715. 51 Spring Terrace Road. Replacement windows and doors.

Planning Decision - P/2026/00463 3 Cameron Close, Conversion of existing garage to living accommodation, erection of single storey front extension and porch – no comments.

545/26-27 Officer report and correspondence

8th August 2026 – 10-12 The Grove – Topics to discuss, 2 minute litter pick, heritage day walk, business plan.

-Consultation on the local plan

-Concerns regarding overgrown hedge, and road markings. These have been reported to Staffordshire county council.

-Report blocked drains, outside 56 Spring Terrace Road

-Reported overgrown hedges which are preventing residents walking on pavements safely

Paulet High School to be booked for 28th October, 2026. Copy in Cllr Moss.

Policy review - Working group was appointed – Cllrs A Mason, W Topliss, D Needham – review policies for presenting to council.

Planning officer to contact re planning applications correspondence relating to Brizlincote Parish not being clearly identified as being located in Brizlincote Parish.

Severn Trent Meeting – Cllr Wileman was not present. Update to be received at the September meeting.

546/26-27 Member reports

Maintenance: - Buddleia is growing in the middle of the road, Brizlincote Valley. Visibility is a concern. Clerk to report via SCC reporting system.

Roundabout overgrown, making visibility a concern – Cottesmore, Orchard Close, clerk to report.

Tutbury Drive to nature walk – tree fallen onto the path. Clerk to report.

Hedge – opposite The Hollows, and Ashby Road to report to SCC.

Hedge – house on corner of Grafton Road – Clerk to report.

Tutbury Drive estate no grit bin. Strata Homes to be approached to be establish if they would consider introducing a grit bin.

UNDER THE PUBLIC (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 IN VIEW OF THE SPECIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS ABOUT TO BE TRANSACTED, IT IS ADVISABLE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST THAT THE PUBLIC BE TEMPORARY EXCLUDED AND THEY ARE INSTRUCTED TO WITHDRAW

Signed:

Date: