Brizlincote Parish Council

We Need Your Help !

A plea from the Chairman of the Brizlincote Parish Council.

I recently read the minutes of the December 2013 meeting of the Winshill Parish Council and saw that they were the second Parish Council in the Borough to produce an Emergency Plan. Brizlincote Parish Council can no longer postpone this task much longer, though with the Glebe School being the only public building in the parish, co-operation with Winshill and certainly Stapenhill seems essential.



It will be appreciated if you can help the Parish Council by letting me know if you reside in the parish and could assist in an emergency in the capacity as:

Doctor, Nurse, Paramedic or First Aider	Pharmacist
Police Officer	Fire service personnel
Member of WRVS	Minister (Clergy)
Contractor (with snow clearing equipment)	Veterinary Surgeon
Licenced Amateur Radio operator (RAYNET)	In any other appropriate capacity

A generous response to this appeal will help the Parish Council to move closer to its Parish Emergency Plan.

Please contact **Geoffrey Willett (phone 01283 548868),** or **Liz James**, either by **phone 01538 702077**, **email clerk@brizlincote-pc.org.uk**, or **online at www.brizlincote-pc.org.uk**

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Full Dog Waste Bins...Report them!

All the bins throughout the parish are emptied on a regular basis by ESBC, however they won't know that a bin is overflowing until its scheduled collection time. There have been a number of incidents recently where dog waste bins have become full and waste has been left by the side of the bins, which is both unsightly and unhygienic. Residents are being urged to report overflowing bins so that collection crews can be sent to empty them as quickly as possible. Dog waste bins are provided for use by dog walkers to dispose of small amounts of dog waste whilst walking their dogs, they are **not** designed for carrier bags full of dog waste from your garden, this will result in them being filled too quickly and overflowing.

Report full dog waste bins by calling ESBC on 01283 508000

What is a Parish Emergency Plan?

Nearly all emergencies affecting the local community will be dealt with by a joint response from the emergency services, local authorities and utility companies. However, in extreme conditions such as snow and flooding, there is a possibility that the emergency services and other agencies may be overwhelmed and not be able to reach us immediately. In such circumstances, the initial response will rely entirely on local people. The plan will enable the community to respond to a major incident/emergency, whilst awaiting the assistance of the Emergency Services and the County or District Council.

What is an Emergency/Major Incident? The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 defines an "emergency" as an event or situation which threatens serious damage to (1) human welfare in a place in the United Kingdom, (2) the environment of a place in the United Kingdom, or (3)the security of the United Kingdom or of a place in the United Kingdom. Types of potential emergencies that may impact our community are: Heavy snow, Flooding, Other Severe Weather events e.g. storms and gales, Electricity or Gas failure, Road Accident, Fire/Building Collapse, Terrorist Activity, Major Gas Leak or Explosion or Disease

Aim of the Plan: The plan will enable the Parish Council to identify the immediate actions they should consider during an emergency. These actions may assist the community in reducing the impact an emergency can have until further assistance has been received. The aim of the plan is to provide a framework for the Parish Council to deal with the initial impact of an emergency on the local community, particularly when outside assistance from the emergency services and local authorities is delayed.

The key objectives of the plan are to:

- Identify resources in the community available to assist during an emergency
- Identify local people and organisations who may be able to assist during an emergency
- Identify vulnerable people in the community and develop arrangements to assist them
- Provide relevant and timely local information throughout the emergency
- Provide key contact details for the Parish Council Emergency Team, key community resources, the emergency services and local authorities
- Establish local co-ordination arrangements for dealing with the impact of the emergency at the local level
- Open and run local rest centres as indicated by the emergency in conjunction with ESBC Emergency Planning Unit

This will include the provision of action sheets and aide memoires to assist members of the Council in fulfilling these roles.

In an emergency, the Emergency Team will attempt to contact the local Council as necessary to discuss ways in which the Council might assist. This role could include:

- Providing "local knowledge" for the Emergency Services
- Establishing a co-ordinating link with Parish/Town Councillors and local Voluntary Groups as necessary
- Relaying information and instructions to the local community
- Providing information about persons who may have special problems during an emergency i.e. the elderly and the infirm
- Ensuring that any premises owned by the Council which may be required for emergency use are available
- Assisting/organising local help if required to set up evacuation centres, feeding centres, information and enquiry points.

Can we give you some money for a community cause?

Brizlincote Parish Council is funded only by the local residents of Brizlincote Parish and has limited funds available to assist non-profit making community organisations located or operating in the Brizlincote Parish for the benefit of local residents.

The Parish Council's financial support is provided by the issuing of grants. These grants must be applied for.

How to Apply for a Grant

Any organisation, club or society wishing to apply for grant aid must make a written application using the Parish Councils Grant Application Form. This application will be discussed at the next Parish Council monthly meeting against criteria set by the Parish Council.

The organisation must use this funding predominantly for the benefit of residents of the Parish of Brizlincote, and must be non-profit making.

Organisations applying for grant aid must provide the Parish Council with their most recent annual statement of accounts and a copy of their most recent bank statements, and must state the names of other organisations to which application for grant aid has been made.

Any grant offered by the Parish Council will be made on the understanding that the applicant remains responsible for gaining all necessary permissions (planning or otherwise) and the granting of money by the Parish Council should not in any way be taken as authorisation. Successful applications will be recorded in the minutes of appropriate Parish Council meeting and notified to the applicant in writing. Receipts of all transactions where grant aid from the Parish has been used must be submitted to the Parish Council.

Facts about 'Bins on Street' rules you *wheelie* need to know!

Did you know that East Staffordshire Borough Council wardens patrol the local community on a regular basis, one of their tasks is to check your refuse and recycling containers are not being left out on the street after your collection. Containers refer to your Grey, Blue or Brown Bin and Blue Bag.

When can I put my bins out onto the pavement?

You can put your bins out for emptying after 6.30 pm on the evening prior to collection.

When should I remove my bin from the pavement?

You **MUST** remove your bin and replace within the boundary of your property by no later than 10.00 pm in the evening on the day of collection.

East Staffordshire Borough Council can take legal action against householders who fail to remove their wheelie bins from the pavement after they have been emptied.





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East Staffordshire Borough Council News

Councillor Bernard Peters

- Reports that ESBC carried out an Anti Dog Fouling campaign in January throughout the Brizlincote Parish to inform irresponsible dog owners of the inconvenience and stress caused by allowing dogs to foul in public spaces. This involved placing laminated posters in prominent positions along pathways used by dog walkers.
- Councillor Bernard Peters has also joined the local scout group fund raising team dedicated to a major refurbishment of facilities on Stapenhill Road.

Staffordshire County Council News

Councillor Conor Wileman reports the following news:

- After a long wait the feasibility study that will explore the options of solving parking issues on Violet Way should be ready by the end of February. I look forward to reporting these options to residents to see what they think about any proposals made. The focus is to make the area safer for children but also to find a way of keeping the road clear whilst still providing an area where parents can drop off their children. I hope that a solution can be found quickly and that with consultation we can ensure it works for local residents, the schools and those who drop off their children at school.
- With the heavy rain we have experienced over the past few weeks many of the gullies on our roads are blocked or are unable to take the volumes of water required. Recent contact with the highways team has shown that whilst gulley emptying is continuing across the county, gullies are silting up as fast as they can be cleared. However, we do have access to a reactive gulley emptier. If residents can report any blocked gullies to me I would be grateful so they are added to the schedule.

News Flash: Annual Parish Meeting Thursday 27th April 2014 Meeting to be held at Violet Way Academy & Nursery with a prompt 7:00 pm start

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Can We Have Your Feedback Please!

Send us your comments by contacting **Liz James**, Clerk of the Brizlincote Parish Council; email **clerk@brizlincote-pc.org.uk**, Phone **01538 70207**7, or online **www.brizlincote-pc.org.uk**.

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Brizlincote Parish Council Meetings for 2014

Thursday 20th March

Thursday 17th April

Thursday 15th May

Meetings are held at Violet Way Academy & Nursery with a prompt 7:00 pm start