

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Brizlincote in Bloom 2015 Prize Winners



Colin Massey - Best Front Garden winner

'Bloom-in Good' gardens inspected by Judges

The October Brizlincote Parish Council Meeting started with a prize giving presentation for the winners of the Brizlincote in Bloom 2015 Gardening Competition.

Pictured are the winners being awarded with their prizes, shields and certificates by the Chairman of Brizlincote Parish Council, Paul Presley-Brooks.

All participants were congratulated on all the hard work which had gone into the event, and the very high standard of the gardens viewed.



Julie Wilcock - Best Improvisation of a Sloping Garden winner



Pat Burns - Best Rear Garden winner

Thanks to the Judges

Yet again the event would not have been able to take place without the generous help of our voluntary team of judges who gave up their time to visit and judge the gardens.

We are very fortunate to have access to these experienced judges, who judge gardens throughout all of ESBC.

Pictured below is judge Sue Priest who attended the presentation.



Malcolm Boston - Best Floral Display winner

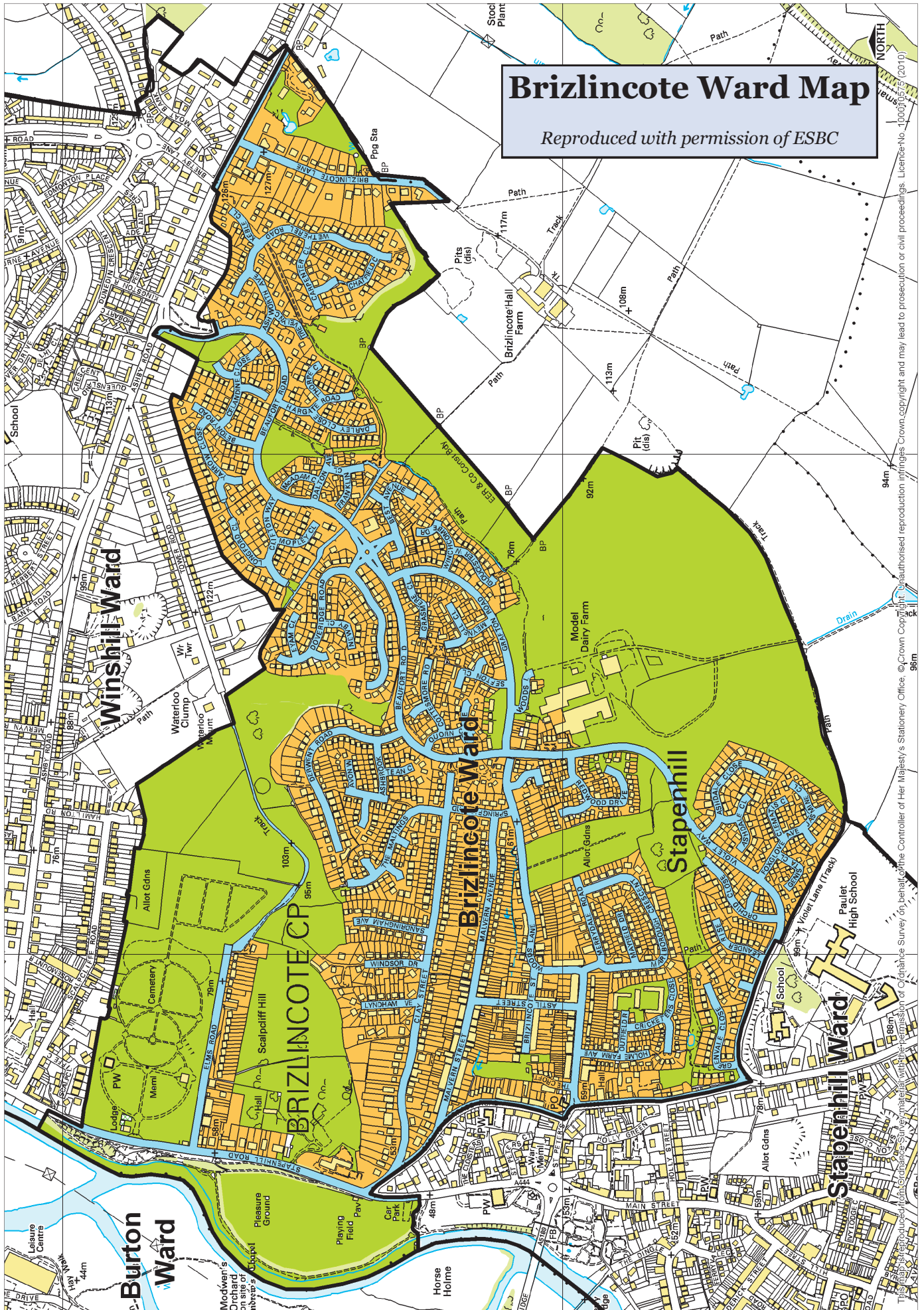


Mrs Green - receiving the Runner-up Trophy



Brizlincote Ward Map

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Chairman's Christmas message

Since becoming the chairman of Brizlincote Parish Council it has been a very interesting yet rewarding time for me. I have the pleasure of working with some great people for the benefit of the Parish. We have recently seen the excellent achievements of our local schools, which is to be highly commended and all should be proud. The Brizlincote in Bloom competition attracted a very high quality of entrants, so much so that we had to create a special 'Runner-up' award, once again congratulations. As we approach the Christmas festive period, I wish all members of the Parish a good and peaceful time and share this joyous occasion with everyone. I realise that this time of year can be very poignant for some but hope families will rally round and support all. I believe that a good singing of carols does the soul good and I am sure the churches in our Parish will be only too pleased to see young and old together attending a carol concert or service to celebrate this time of year.

In closing I would also like to remind that we still have vacancies for Parish Councillors and if you are over 18 years of age and wish to help your community please feel free to come and visit us on a meeting night. Have a very good and peaceful Christmas and a Good New Year.

Paul Presley-Brooks, Chairman of Brizlincote Parish Council



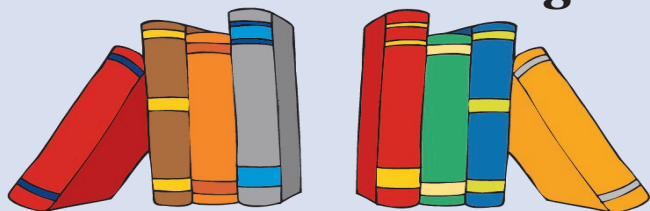
New Parish Councillor

Marie Andrews has recently been co-opted onto the Brizlincote Parish Council. She has lived in the parish since 1987. Marie is married with a daughter and two grandchildren. Among her wide range of interests is genealogy and she is currently busy adding facts and ancestors to her extensive and very intriguing family tree.

Marie hopes being a Parish Councillor for Brizlincote will enable her to put something back into the local community that she has been part of for so long.



Want a Book Exchange?



Feedback is sought from Brizlincote residents on the creation and use of a book exchange service. Where would it be placed, how many books, and perhaps more importantly would you use it?

Please send your views by post or email: The Clerk of the Council, 47 Hall Road, Rolleston on Dove, Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, DE13 9BX.
Email: clerk@brizlincote-pc.org.uk

Grit bins are provided by Staffordshire Highways for the public to use to grit the roads & paths.



Using the material to clear your own property is theft!



'Our Speed Watch Team are out and about in an effort to keep our roads safe, prevent accidents, please respect their actions and keep within the speed limits at all times of day'.

Be aware that **'20 is plenty'** applies between Paulet School and Violet Way Academy.

Community Speed Watch (CSW) is a locally driven initiative where members of the community, together with the support of the Police to monitor speeds of vehicles using speed detection devices. Vehicles that exceed the speed limit are referred to the Police with the aim of educating drivers to reduce their speeds.

Volunteers receive appropriate training, and are supported by the Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT). CSW aims to cater for the problem of real or perceived speed related offending, and through partnership with the community it is to be used in circumstances that are necessary, justifiable and proportionate in order to:

- Reduce death and injury on the roads & Improve the quality of life for local communities
- Reduce the speed of vehicles to the speed limit & Increase public awareness of inappropriate speed

CSW activity is a proactive solution to improve the safety and quality of life for everyone in the community.

Grow your own Produce

It is never too late to start growing something; even without a green house.

- on the windowsill set off some herbs like basil, dill, chives or parsley
- under cover in a sheltered spot, winter sow hardy salad leaves like winter gem lettuce
- plant winter onion seeds and broad beans
- raspberry and blackberry can be planted for a summer crop
- get some rhubarb planted and feed it well, they get hungry
- garlic likes to be in the ground before the frosts arrive



No matter how small a space you have, enjoy the delight and fun of growing some of your own produce; you never know you could become an allotment holder next year!



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Brizlincote Parish Council meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, at the Violet Way Academy and Nursery with a 7.00 pm start.

Can We Have Your Feedback Please?

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