Powers & Responsibilities

The Brizlincote Parish Council has responsibilities for the following:

- The provision and upkeep of certain local facilities.
- Maintenance of footpaths
- Crime prevention measures and to contribute money towards traffic calming schemes.
- Act as a channel of local opinion to larger local government bodies, and as such has the right to be consulted on any planning decisions affecting the parish.
- Giving of grants to local voluntary organisations, and sponsoring public events.

County Council Responsibilities

Allotments	Powers to provide allotments. Duty to provide allotment gardens if demand unsatisfied.	Small Holdings Act 1908 ss23,26 & 42	
Archives	Power to make records held available to the public and to support local archives	Local Government Records Act 1962 ss1 & 4	
Baths & Washouses	Power to provide public baths and washhouses	Public Health Act 1936 ss221, 222, 223 & 227	
Burial Grounds, Cemeteries and Crematoria	Power to acquire and maintain	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 Local Government Act 1972 s214	
	Power to provide Power to agree to maintain monuments and memorials	Parish Councils and Burial Authorities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1970 s1	
	Power to contribute towards expenses of cemeteries	Local Government Act 1972 s214 (6)	
Bus Shelters	Power to provide and maintain shelters	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953 s4	
Bye Laws	Powers to make Bye Laws in regards to pleasure grounds	Public Health Act 1875 s164	

	Cycle Parks	Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 s57		
	Baths and Washhouses	Public Health Act 1936 s223		
	Open Spaces and Burial Grounds	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss12 & 15		
	Mortuaries and Post-Mortem Rooms	Public Health Act 1936 c198		
Car Sharing Schemes	Power to establish, maintain and assist others	Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s26		
Charities	Duty to receive accounts of parochial charities	Charities Act 1960 s32		
Clocks	Power to provide public clocks	Parish Councils Act 1957 s2		
Closed Churchyards	Powers as to maintenance Local Governmen s215			
Commons and Common Pastures	Powers in relation to enclosure, as to regulation and management, and as to providing common pasture	Enclosure Act 1845; Local Government Act 1894 s8(4); Smallholdings & Allotmentst Act 1908 s34; Commons Act 1899		
Conference Facilities	Power to provide and encourage the use of facilities	Local Government Act 1972 s144		
Community Centres	Power to provide and equip buildings for use of clubs having athletic, social or educational objectives	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19		
Delegated Functions	Power to assume a function delegated by another authority	Local Government Act 1972 ss101, 111 & 112		
	Power to ensure effective discharge of Council functions	as above		
	Power to employ persons to carry out Council functions	as above		
	Power to deal with ponds/ditches, agreements with landowners and with English Nature to manage Council-owned reserve land as a nature reserve	Public Health Act 1936 s260		

Legal Proceedings	Power to prosecute or defend	Local Government Act 1972 s222	
Listed Buildings	Power to contribute to the preservation of historic buildings	Essex Act 1987 s48	
Litter	Provision of receptacles	Litter Act 1983 ss5.6	
Lotteries	Power to promote	Lotteries & Amusements Act 1976 s7	
Nuisances	Power to deal with offensive ditches	Public Health Act 1936 s260	
Open Spaces	Power to acquire land and maintain	Public Health Act 1975 s164; Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10; Commons Act 1899	
Parish Property and Records	Powers to direct as to their custody	Local Government Act 1972 s226	
Planning	Right to be notified of and power to respond to planning applications	Town & Country Planning Act 1990 s1 ss8; Local Government Act 1972 s15 ss20	
Postal and telecommunications facilities	Power to pay the Post Office, British Telecommunications or any other public telecommunications operator any loss sustained in providing post or telegraph office or telecommunications facilities	Telecommunications Act 1984	
Public Buildings and Village Halls	Power to provide	Public Health Act 1936 s87	
Public Conveniences	Power to provide	as above	
Public Enquiries	Power to make representations at public enquiries	Local Government Act 1972 s222	
Publicise Functions	Powers to publicise council and local authority functions	Local Government Act 1972 s142	
Raising of Finances	of Finances Power to raise money through the precept		

Recreation	Power to acquire land for or to provide recreation grounds, public walks, pleasure grounds and open spaces and to manage and control them		
	Power to provide gymnasiums, playing fields and holiday camps	as above	
	Provision of boating pools	Public Health Act 1961 s54	
Taxi Fare Concessions	Power to reimburse operator	Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s28	
Tourism	Power to contribute to organisations encouraging	Local Government Act 1972 s144	
Transport and Traffic	Power to conduct surveys to establish the transport needs of the community, the use of and need for roads and the management and control of traffic		
	Power to collect and disseminate passenger transport information and make grants for bus services	Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s29 (2) 27	
	Powers to contribute financially to traffic calming schemes	Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s26	
Training	Powers to train Councillors	Local Government Act 1972 s175	
Transport	Powers to spend money on community transport schemes	Local Government and Rating Act 1997 ss26-29	
War Memorials	Power to maintain, repair and adapt war memorials	War Memorials (Local Authorities Powers) Act 1923 s1; as extended by Local Government Act 1948 s123	
Water Supply	Powers to utilise well, spring or stream and to provide facilities for obtaining water there from	Public Health Act 1936 s125	