

BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council Meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on
Thursday 15th March 2018

Present

Chairman Councillor Colin Wileman, Vice Chairman Councillor Robin Ludford-Brooks, Councillors
Robert Bidgood, Adrian Cowan, John Hoddy, Karen Hyde and Peter Marston.

Public

County Councillor Conor Wileman and Clerk Barbara Roe.

Public Session

No members of the public were present.

155/18 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Adrian Cowan

156/18 Declarations of Interest

No declarations were received.

157/18 Minutes of the previous Meeting (15th February 2018)

The Council approved as a correct record, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th February 2018. Proposed by Councillor Bob Bidgood, seconded by Councillor Brian Judd and agreed by all.

158/18 Chairman's Address

The Chairman said that judging by all the emails that had been going to and fro you have all been very busy which of course he was really pleased about. He said our new Councillors had certainly started with a whirlwind of activity, Councillor Hyde working with the Defibrillator Group and Councillor Marston, if he isn't working on checking drains, he is concerning himself with Tesco traffic island. He said there had also been a meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party which he said Councillor Judd would update us all on.

He said that, as Parish Councillors, we take on a great responsibility and sometimes it may seem a little daunting as we are all the face of the local Government in Brizlincote. This means that when it snows too heavy or it rains hard, one of the first thing residents do is contact their local Councillor be it Parish, Borough or County. He said he believed in Brizlincote we have dedicated and hard-working Councillors and if we all work together we will continue to make Brizlincote a great place to live.

159/18 Report by County Councillor Conor Wileman

Councillor Wileman asked for reports on the status of grit bins, we had received a report of residents abusing the contents and using them for their own drives.

Councillor Marston reported that some speed signs on the roads were wearing thin.

160/18 Report by Borough Councillors

Councillor Peters said that residents living at the back of the Co-op had reported the trees there were growing again, he said he would keep an eye on them. He said he still hadn't established the reason for the metal fencing at the back of the Tanning Salon.

The Clerk reported that she had managed to contact the site owners and was informed the fencing had been put in place in order to mark out the boundary/curtilage of the respective owner's sites. This had done in order to avoid any adverse possession claims that can sometimes arise if the land is not clearly and properly divided.

He said there was a new Chief Inspector in Burton Police who had said he intended to visit each Parish and attend a meeting. He also wanted to see his PCSOs attending Parish Meetings on a regular basis.

Councillor Colin Wileman reported in his Borough Councillor capacity that the owner of the overgrown hedge in Wetherell Road, reported in the last meeting, had been contacted and she is going to sort the problem out.

Councillor Wileman also reported he had a meeting with Paul Steed of the Cemetery Office regarding the planting of wild flower seeds in the Parish.

161/18 Defibrillator

Councillor Karen Hyde reported she had made contact with the Manager of Tesco and he confirmed he is still happy to have the machine placed on his property. Councillor Hyde suggested the installation should be carried out by Tesco at the Parish Council's expense. The new landlord is in full support and would like to meet with us. Councillor Hyde had made contact with the two volunteers who confirmed they were still interested. She said the next move was to order the machine.

It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Kevin Baxter at Tesco. **Action: Clerk**

It was also agreed that Councillor Hyde would invite the volunteers to attend the next meeting. **Action: Councillor Hyde.**

162/18 Newsletter

It was agreed that the following contributions would be put in the Newsletter:

- Item on the new Councillors – Clerk to forward details to Councillor John
- Item on Brizlincote In Bloom – Councillor Bidgood
- Entry Form for Brizlincote in Bloom – Clerk to forward to Councillor John
- Tesco Roundabout, Best Avenue – Chairman
- Brizlincote Volunteers – Article to include new dates – Chairman
- Grit bin on Marlborough Crescent – appeal for residents to replenish it – Councillor Ludford-Brooks
- Nature Trail – Councillor Ludford-Brooks
- Defibrillator – Councillor Hyde
- Chairman's Piece including Graham Lomas Resignation – Chairman
- North Side Allotments – piece from Peter Stone and Councillor Bidgood
- East Side Art Competition – Councillor Mervyn John
- Burton Bridge – Councillor Conor Wileman
- Volunteer Column – Councillor Bidgood

Proposed by Councillor Judd and seconded by Councillor Bidgood and agreed by all.

163/18 Brizlincote in Bloom – Judging

As Councillor Bidgood could not take part in the judging on the dates agreed in the previous meeting it was agreed that the new closing date would be 8th July and the judging date 22nd July. Proposed by Councillor Ludford-Brooks, seconded by Councillor Peter Marston and agreed by all.

164/18 Nature Trail

The Chairman reported that planning permission was in the process of being applied for in respect of the information boards and finger posts. There would be three applications and the Chairman asked for payment to ESBC for three cheques of £117 each. Proposed Councillor Judd, seconded by Councillor Ludford-Brooks and agreed by all.

165/18 Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor Judd reported that the Working Party had held their first meeting on the 6th March – details attached. They had agreed a further meeting to include Naomi Perry of ESBC and County Councillor Conor Wileman. They would give a further update at the next meeting.

166/18 APM/AGM

The Clerk confirmed the APM would be held on Thursday 12th April, the week before our main meeting and the AGM would be held at the start of our May meeting on the 17th May.

167/18 Tesco Roundabout

The Chairman produced a plan from Paul Steed of the Cemetery Office of how the roundabout would be planted. Some grasses had already been planted and it was suggested that the rest of the area would be planted with either wild flowers or bedding plants. All agreed that bedding plants was the best option as wild flowers may grow too tall.

168/18 Planning

Councillor Mervyn John said he was still waiting for a response to his letter on Planning Application P/2018/00039.

169/18 Correspondence

The Clerk had received an email from Freshwater Properties regarding the metal fencing at the rear of the Co-op as discussed earlier.

The Clerk also confirmed she had tried to follow up the reason why our Parish addresses were Stapenhill and not Brizlincote but had had no success.

170/18 Finance

The Clerk reported that she had received an Invoice from Stafford for our annual subs for £595, this had arrived after the agenda had been sent out. She asked if this could be included for payment this month. This was proposed by Councillor Judd and seconded by Councillor Mervyn John.

171/18 Clerk and Members Report

It was reported that although the Chinese in Woods Lane was being refurbished there was still an accumulation of rubbish in the doorway representing a fire hazard. The Clerk said she would contact the owners. **Action: Clerk**

The meeting closed at 20.52

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 12th April which would be the APM – the next Main Meeting would be Thursday 19th April 2018 at 19.00.

Note: If any Member has any general questions about the Meeting or the associated agenda papers, or is unable to attend, he/she is asked to contact Barbara Roe, the Clerk of the Council. Telephone 01283 814648 or email clerk@brizlinote-pc.org.uk. Correspondence should be sent to 47 Hall Road, Rolleston on Dove, Burton Upon Trent, Staffordshire, DE13 9BX.