

## **BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Lane Infant School on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2010

### **Present:**

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Bill Warrilow  
Graham Lomas, Ian Webster, Arthur Goldstraw  
Kathy Lamb and Cedric Insley

### **Apologies:**

Michael Ball, Bernard Peters, Ruth Goldstraw and Kay Sherratt

### **Public:**

Clerk - Liz James

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming all.

### **174/09 MEMBERS TO DECLARE ANY INTEREST IN MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED**

Councillors Goldstraw, Lomas and Willett declared an interest regarding a grant application on the agenda to be considered. This was not a pecuniary interest.

Councillor Lomas declared an interest regarding a planning matter for The Model Dairy Farm. This was not a pecuniary interest.

### **175/09 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> January 2010**

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

### **176/09 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

168/09 – An email clarifying the criteria for Dog Control Orders was read to the meeting. Councillor Goldstraw asked for more information. He will access this independently.

### **177/09 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

### **178/09 NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE**

Councillor Lomas and Councillor Webster gave out copies of some suggested information for the newsletter. This led to a discussion resulting in agreement that this version could proceed to print. Distribution and costs for this were then discussed. It was agreed that Councillor Lomas would look into this.

Correspondence from the Borough Council on Dog Fouling issues was read to the meeting. This highlighted a high visibility initiative to take place on 4<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March and it was agreed that an article should be placed on the website. Councillor Lomas offered to contact the person concerned for a suitable article. It was felt that the timing was too tight to ensure that an article in the newsletter would reach householders in time.

### **179/09 GRANT APPLICATION FROM VIOLET LANE SCHOOL (£2500) AND FROM THE GIRL GUIDES (£300)**

It was agreed to postpone the first application until the next meeting due to the number

of Councillors who had declared an interest, rendering any decision non-quorate.

The second application was considered and agreed. Councillor Goldstraw proposed payment of the grant, which was seconded by Councillor Lomas with all other Councillors in agreement. This cheque was therefore raised and signed accordingly.

#### **180/09 COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Lamb gave the Council information regarding a grit bin on Grafton Road where a local resident had raised a query. This led to a general discussion regarding grit bins and the gritting of the roads in the area. Councillor Lamb also informed the meeting that the Highways Gangs would be visiting the area sometime in March.

Councillor Muir asked whether SCC would be more involved with the publicity around the Staffordshire Hoard as a lot of news coverage had been generated by both Stoke on Trent and Birmingham but less by SCC. Councillor Lamb gave some details.

Councillor Willett commented on the boundaries of news coverage caused by the East/West Midlands divide. Councillor Willett also asked whether there was any news regarding the issues on Malvern Street. Councillor Lamb confirmed that this matter is still ongoing. She also confirmed that speed limit on the A511 will be left at 40 mph.

Councillor Insley reported that he had been asked to raise the Dog Fouling initiative which had been covered by the meeting already. He hopes that this initiative will be a combined effort.

Councillor Muir asked what the current situation was with the redundant Burton Museum building as the building is deteriorating.

#### **181/09 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS**

HO/32534/001/JM, Erection of a two storey side extension, 14 Quorn Close - **No objections**

Councillor Lamb drew the Council's attention to new legislation regarding Community Infrastructure Levies.

#### **182/09 CORRESPONDENCE**

Date	From	Regarding	Action
22/01/2010	ESBC	Tree Preservation Order	For information
22/01/2010	Queen's Hospital Scanner Appeal	CT Scanner	Fund raising
01/02/2010	Bernard Peters	Biz Valley Model Farm	For action- <b>Council agreed to await firm proposal/responses from parishioners to newsletter.</b>
01/02/2010	SDDC	Core Strategy	For comment- <b>GW to take for consideration</b>

05/02/2010	Richard Rayson, SCC	Grit Bins, Winchcombe Drive	For comment- <b>covered by Councillor Lamb</b>
11/02/2010	Community Council of Staffordshire	Parish Plans	For completion – <b>Clerk to complete</b>
12/02/2010	SCC	Quarrying	For information
16/02/2010	SCC, Mike Maryon	Pothole repairs	For information

### 183/09 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Liz James	Expenses January 2010			23.40
Liz James	Clerks fees January 2010			340.22
Girl Guides	Grant			300.00

All were in favour of payment and the paperwork was signed and approved.

### 184/09 CLERKS AND MEMBERS REPORTS

The Clerk reminded the Council about the training due to take place on March 4<sup>th</sup> at Violet Lane in Roles and Responsibilities. She also told the Council that she will attend the Play Conference on Thursday March 11<sup>th</sup> on behalf of the Parish Council.

Councillor Warrilow reported on the Parish Councils' Forum meeting that had taken place. The clerk for Barton Parish Council had raised an issue regarding the Neighbourhood Warden team having no van. Councillor Warrilow also informed the Council that he had spoken to Andy Mason and that Speedwatch should be up and running by March. Councillor Muir asked if there was any information available on the accidents occurring after the implementation of traffic calming. This led to a discussion on the matter.

Councillor Warrilow reported on the PACT and the Residents meetings which had taken place the previous week. He reported information regarding parking of caravans, anti-social behaviour and barriers on roads discussed at the PACT and items from the Residents meeting of a burglary at Ryder House, vandalism of a vehicle on Malvern Street, anti-social behaviour on Grafton Road (children playing football), the removal of the camera from the Tesco Express site and issues of indecent exposure on Beaufort Road.

Councillor Lomas informed the Council that the newsletter when finalised will be available electronically on the website.

Councillor Willett commented on the ongoing danger and recent flooding in Geary Lane. There had been a crash there but no one had been seriously injured. Work has been done to cut into the banks in order to alleviate some of the flooding issues.

### 185/09 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**Next Monthly Parish Meetings: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March and training to take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2010**