

BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Lane Infant School on Thursday 20th May 2010

Present:

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Bill Warrilow
Graham Lomas, Ian Webster, Michael Ball, Kay Sherratt, Arthur Goldstraw
and Ian Williams

Apologies:

Ruth Goldstraw, Jim Muir & Bernard Peters

Public:

13 members of the public, Councillor Cedric Insley, 2 representatives of ESBC and
Clerk - Liz Court

The Clerk opened the meeting by welcoming all and explaining that the meeting would start with the AGM and the election of the following posts:

Annual General Meeting

1. Election of Chairman

Councillor Sherratt nominated Councillor Willett, Councillor Lomas seconded this and all were in agreement. Councillor Willett accepted the position.

2. Election of Vice Chairman

Councillor Goldstraw nominated Councillor Warrilow, seconded by Councillor Ball with all in agreement. Councillor Warrilow accepted the position.

3. Election of other posts/responsibilities as appropriate

It was suggested that all other positions and committees remain as they were. This was accepted unanimously.

PUBLIC SESSION

Speakers from District Council regarding Green Spaces and Beaufort Road Project

The speakers gave details of a suggested development on the Beaufort Road Green Space for 8-13 year olds. There was much discussion from Councillors and members of the public around issues of safety, anti-social behaviour and other sites that could be identified. It was agreed that copies of the original Playbuilder bid for the project would be passed to the relevant committee who would report back to the next Parish Council meeting. Many thanks were extended to the representatives for their time.

To be put onto the next Agenda

The meeting was then opened to the public to raise any issues for the Council to consider:

Members of the public discussed a planning application for 18a St Peter's Street. There were several residents who will be affected by this development. A site visit has already taken place but the residents felt dissatisfied with the outcome of this meeting. Residents also pointed out several perceived errors in the planning application.

A member of the public commented on grave concerns about the play area development from his previous experience of living close to a similar site in the past.

10/001 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Ruth Goldstraw, Jim Muir and Bernard Peters.

10/002 Declarations of Interest

Members did not declare any interests in any matter identified for discussion at the Meeting.

10/003 Minutes of the previous Council Meeting

The Minutes of the April Parish Council Meeting, held on 15th April 2010 were approved.

10/004 Neighbourhood Forum Action Plan review

The Councillors' report on the review was read and accepted.

10/005 Verbal report regarding meeting with North Stapenhill Allotments Association

The meeting receive a verbal report from Councillor Willett regarding this meeting which took place on 13th May 2010. The newly planted bank needs attention and the gate has sagged. These matters will be reported through Clarence by Councillor Willett. It was agreed that Councillor Willett would discuss the matter of the grant for a heavy duty strimmer with the Association again.

10/006 Brizlincote in Bloom

The meeting received a report from Councillor Lomas on this matter.

10/007 Tree and Hedge Protection

The Council considered an email received regarding Gloucester Way and decided to do a survey of all trees and hedges in the Parish to identify work needed and any potential preservation orders needed. The Clerk was asked to allocate areas to each Councillor to cover and identify any areas that they feel need attention. This is to be done as soon as possible so that a report can be given at the next meeting. The Clerk was asked to put the matter on the next agenda.

Clerk to action

10/008 Newsletter

A draft copy of the next issue was distributed and Councillor Webster gave details of items still to be submitted. He informed the meeting that the proposed copy would be circulated to the Council within the next week or so by email for their comments.

10/009 PACT Meeting

The meeting on 11th May was informed of speed checks in the valley which showed that guilty drivers were local residents. It was agreed that problems of anti social behaviour in Redwood Drive and parking problems outside Violet Lane School should be investigated. Further to this, it was commented that there have been no reported incidents involving an injury within the Brizlincote Valley since October 2008.

10/010 M.P. Consultation on Speed Limits

The Council discussed the pledge from the local MP and decided to ask for more 30 mph road markings within the parish. It was noted that Speedwatch should be active within the next week.

10/011 BRIZFEST Summary Report for 2010

The Council received a report submitted by the Brizfest organisers.

10/012 County and Borough Councillors' reports

Written reports from Borough Councillor Peters and Insley were received and noted.

10/013 Planning Applications and Decisions

1. Planning Applications received for observations

P/2010/00480/CEH, Demolition of Rider House to facilitate the erection of a retirement village, Rider House, Stapenhill Road, DE15 9AE

Planning committee commented that they had no objections.

P/2010/00527/MB, Erection of a one and a half storey side extension, 30 Redwood Drive, Stapenhill, DE15 9HL

Planning committee commented that they had no objections.

P/2010/00606/MA, Erection of a rear conservatory, The Paddocks, 4 Yarrow Close, Stapenhill, DE15 9JT

Planning committee commented that they had no objections.

P/2010/00540/CEH, erection of a part two storey, part single storey building to form ground floor retail unit with first floor living accom, 18a St Peter's Street, Stapenhill, DE15 9AN

Planning committee reported that they felt that it was important for this matter to be viewed by the Planning Committee rather than being dealt with under delegated powers due to the fact that they felt the plans were inaccurate.

Clerk to action

2. Planning Decisions received

P/2010/00241/CLF, Conversion of attached garage to form additional living accommodation and erection of a first floor side extension, 17 Clematis Crescent, Stapenhill, DE15 9FF – granted

P/2010/00182/JI, Erection of a single front and side extension, 8 Cottesmore Close, DE15 9BS - granted

10/014 Correspondence

Date	From	Regarding	Action
May 2010	Barabara Simmons	Waterside Neighbourhood Forum funding for police support vehicle	To be discussed – agreed for this item to go onto the Agenda and Clerk to request visit from Steve Burton of the Police at the next meeting.
May 2010	Dennis Fletcher	Invitation to attend Winshill Schools' Councils on 25/5 at 9.00am	To be extended to all Councillors – RSVP to the Clerk please. GW to attend.
19 th April 2010	Trent and Dove	Information and notices regarding Floating Services for Older People	To be advertised on notice boards
May 2010	SPCA	Certification for Training undertaken	To be distributed to Councillors who attended

10/015 Finance

1. Accounts to be Approved for Payment

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Liz James	Expenses April 2010			41.80
Liz James	Clerks fees April 2010			340.22
Violet Lane School	Room hire			96.00

Councillor Goldstraw proposed payment and all agreed. Councillor Willett asked that consideration be given to a £25.00 donation to Macmillan Cancer Care in memory of a previous Clerk. This was agreed and the Clerk was asked to enter this onto next month's accounts to be approved for payment.

Clerk to action

10/016 Clerk's and Members reports

The Clerk reported that the audit paperwork was still with the Internal Auditor and should be ready for the Council to sign off at the next meeting. **Clerk to action**

There were no member's reports.