BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Lane Infant School on Thursday 20th January 2011

Present:

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Graham Lomas, Michael Ball, Bill Warrilow, Ian Webster and John Bidder

Apologies:

Councillors Bernard Peters, Arthur Goldstraw, Ruth Goldstraw, Jim Muir and Kay Sherratt

Public:

1 member of the public, Councillor Cedric Insley and Clerk - Liz Court

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting wishing all a Happy New Year and thanking those who had passed on their Christmas greetings.

PUBLIC SESSION

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

A request for a salt bin on Jasmine Close was made. This led to a discussion where an additional site for a grit bin was added for between Genista Close and Honeysuckle View, Hargate Road, Franklin Close, Newby Close and Trevelyan Close. The Clerk was asked to request bins for all sites.

10/100 – Declarations of Interest

Members did not declare any interests in any matter identified for discussion at the Meeting other than Councillor Bidder who wished to raise the matter of the railings on Carpenter Close.

10/101- Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (16th December 2010)

The Council approved, as a correct record, the Minutes of the November Parish Council Meeting, held on 16th December 2010.

10/102 Newsletter Update

The Council discussed articles for the next newsletter on the following:

- 1. Speedwatch,
- 2. Parish Elections,
- 3. Planting sites for beds
- 4. A report from the Chair
- 5. Dates for future meetings
- 6. St Peter's Church mission
- 7. The new WI group
- 8. Brizlincote in Bloom 2011
- 9. Possibly an article from Councillor Insley on his time as a Borough Councillor

Councillor Webster asked for any articles for the next newsletter to be with him by 3rd February 2011.

Arrangements for the delivery of the next newsletter were discussed. It was decided that the Council would attempt to deliver the next issue amongst those who are able to volunteer. It was suggested that extra copies should be left in local shops as before. The situation will be reassessed after this delivery has taken place.

10/103 Formation of a Committee to consider Play Area provision

A committee of Councillors with special regard to the play areas within the Parish and plans to refurbish as presented by ESBC at the December meeting was put together. This is to be Councillors Warrilow and Lomas with the Clerk. The committee will report back at the next meeting.

10/104 County and Borough Councillors' reports

There was no report from Councillor Lamb.

Councillor Peters has submitted an email which was discussed by Councillor Willett with regard to local footpaths. Councillor Willett will speak directly to Councillor Peters directly on this matter.

Councillor Insley reported on the upcoming move for the Admin section of ESBC from the Town Hall. This is due to take place by Easter but clarification of which departments are to move has not happened as yet.

Councillor Insley also reported on his role as part of the Scrutiny review around the provision of broadband within the borough. Feedback is being requested form members of the public.

The replacement of the chain link fence along the jitty from Malvern Street and Clay Street was also discussed.

10/105 Planning Applications and Decisions

1. Planning Applications received for observations

Erection of a rear extension to garage, 45 Doveridge Road

Retention of an internally illuminated projecting sign, 227 Woods Lane

Erection of first floor side extension, 32 Sandringham Avenue

All reviewed by Planning committee who have no comments to make

2. Planning Decisions received

Pollarding of one Ash tree, 8 Elms Road - granted

Erection of a detached building to form garages and store with study above and erection of 1.7m high gates with 1.9m high brick piers, 97 Ashby Road – **granted**

Erection of a one and a half storey side extension and single storey front extension, 23 Franklin Close – **granted**

Erection of a rear extension to garage, 45 Doveridge Road - granted

10/106 Correspondence

Date	From	Regarding	Action	
9 th December 2010	Local government Boundary Commission for England	Electoral review of Staffordshire	Consultation stages were noted	
20 th December 2010	Richard Rayson, SCC Highways	Grit Bins on public rights of way as raised by Councillor Webster	Noted – awaiting further response to request	
21 st December 2010	SCC	Feedback from SCC Local Council's Event in October	Clerk to give feedback - noted	
4 th January 2010	Royal British Legion	Great Poppy Party Weekend	Noted	

10/107 Finance

- Information regarding Internal Auditor for next financial year The Clerk gave details of the auditor approached and is awaiting confirmation of the costs.
- 2. Accounts to be Approved for Payment

Supplier	Goods or Services	Gross	VAT	Net
Liz James	Expenses and Fees December 2010	448.58	89.72	538.30

Councillor Willett proposed payment and all agreed.

10/108 Clerk's and Members reports

The Clerk reported on an event to take place regarding Raising Boys Achievement and the Localism Bill.

Councillor Warrilow reported on the Resident's meeting that had taken place and Speedwatch

Councillor Lomas reported on the progress regarding the groundworks and a meeting to take place to identify sites for the beds.

Councillor Bidder raised the issue of the railings at the end of Carpenter Close. It was suggested that the Clerk contact Richard Rayson regarding the poor quality of the work and to look into what can be done to improve this. Councillor Bidder suggested that the Parish

use its own funds to put more suitable railings in place. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Mr Rayson in the first instance to explore this option.

Councillor Warrilow asked whether there had been any feedback from the data generated by the covert camera sited on Violet Way. The Clerk was asked to investigate this.

Councillor Willett concluded that whilst the need for a meeting in January had been questioned, it appeared that this had been productive and will continue to be reviewed for the future.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 8.05pm.

The next meeting will take place on 17th February 2011.