BRIZLINCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brizlincote Parish Council meeting held at Violet Way Academy and Nursery on Thursday 19th April 2012

Present:

Councillors Geoffrey Willett, Kay Sherratt, Arthur Goldstraw, Ruth Goldstraw, Graham Lomas, Cedric Insley, Peter Lyne and Bill Warrilow

Apologies:

Councillors Ian Webster and Michael Ball

Public:

1 member of the public, ESBC Councillors Jake Fellows and Bernard Peters and Clerk - Liz Court

11/125 Public Participation

A member of the public asked whether there had been any news regarding the developments of the Model Dairy Farm. It was reported that there had not.

11/126 Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared by any member in any matter identified for discussion at the Meeting.

Matters arising:

11/119 Parking on Violet Way – it was noted that 300 had signed the petition in school.

11/113 The Clerk was asked for an update regarding the crossing attendant. She reported that she was awaiting a call from Louise Clayton of SCC on the matter.

11/120 There has been no response from Cllr Lamb to any correspondence this month

11/127 Minutes of the previous Council Meeting (15th March 2012)

The Minutes of the March Parish Council Meeting, held on 15th March 2012 were approved.

11/128 Maintenance of Trees and Hedges and request from a resident regarding wild flower planting

The meeting which had been organised was not able to take place. Another meeting date is in the process of being arranged. A fallen tree on the path up to Violet Way has been reported and the work will be done. Apple trees behind Carpenters Close were discussed and this led to a discussion regarding issues behind Derwent Way which has been looked into by Cllr Fellows. Cllr Warrilow raised the matter of mowing by the river bank. This should be mowed 4 times a year, but was only mowed three times last year. This area has not been mowed at all this season as yet.

11/129 Dog Control Orders

The Council considered areas in the Parish to be put forward for Dogs on Lead or Exclusion Orders. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Paulet High School to ask whether their playing fields were included under the orders and also contact ESBC to request Dogs on Leads Orders for the Bridleway behind Jasmine Close, Tower Woods and the Clifton Way playarea.

Clerk to action

This led to discussions regarding the dog waste bin designs and issues with the contents being thrown around, contamination of the school fields with respect to Brizfest and enforcement availability. An email from Corrine O'Hare detailing the work commencing at Tower Woods was read to the meeting.

11/130 Clerk's Contract of Employment Annual review

As the yearly anniversary of this contract has been reached, it was agreed that the Clerk's wages be raised by one increment to SCP24. This raises her hourly rate to £10.702 per hour.

The current mileage allowance is 58.7 pence per mile. These rates are correct as from 2008 which is the last time they were updated.

11/131 Response from Richard Rayson regarding queries for March meeting

An update was given by the Clerk regarding the Crossing Attendant on Violet Way, the replacement of the whips which is due in the next week or so if not already completed and the Spring Terrace Road/Stapenhill Road Junction situation which is still ongoing. The Clerk was asked to request a realistic time line from SCC on the last issue.

Clerk to action

11/132 County and Borough Councillors' reports

There was no report submitted from Councillor Lamb. The Clerk was asked to make sure that the Council's disappointment at the lack of contact and response from Councillor Lamb be communicated to her.

Cllr Peters reported on contact with ESBC regarding the tree and hedges maintenance and gave a target date of the end of May for the Greenvale Close double yellow lines. The redressing of road surfaces were discussed and Cllr Peters noted that he may need to tender his apologies for the Annual Parish Meeting the following week but would submit a written report if this were to prove to be the case.

Cllr Fellows reported on his actions regarding the antisocial behaviour as minuted above and on the works at Tower Woods. He also discussed the variation request for Paulet School's licensing and the Clerk read the correspondence to the meeting. This led to discussion regarding temporary licensing and it was agreed that this matter should be on the agenda for the annual Parish Meeting to allow full discussion before comments are put forward.

Clerk to action

Cllr Fellows also noted that ESBC had been shortlisted for various Municipal Journal awards and that BrizFest had also been granted ESBC funding.

11/133 Planning Applications and Decisions

<u>P/2012/00202/SS</u>, <u>Erection of a single storey rear extension</u>, <u>42 Cottesmore Close</u> – **no objections**

Felling of 1 cherry and 1 beech tree, 3 Clay Street - no objections

P/20112/00245/MB, Erection of a single storey rear extension and formation of a disabled ramp access with handrails to the rear, 164 Woods Lane

P/2012/00292/JPM, Erection of a single storey side extension and front canopy, 22 Redwood Drive – both granted

11/134 Correspondence

| Date | From | Regarding | Action | |
|-----------------------------|------------|---|--|--|
| 20 th March 2012 | SCC | Joint Core Waste | Noted | |
| | | Strategy | | |
| 10 th April 2012 | ESBC | Invitation to Neighbourhood Forum on 21 st May at 6.00pm at Meadowside | Chair and one other to attend. Clerk to RSVP | |
| | Plantscape | Brochure | Passed to Planting Committee | |

| | SPCA | Newsletters | Distributed |
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| 27 th March 2012 | A Crook | Property Access onto Tower Woods | Cllr Fellows has followed this matter up |
| 27 th March 2012 | Burton Albion Community Trust | Request for £500 donation | Clerk to contact them to invite a grant application and Clerk to discuss this with Mark Ritz of ESBC |
| 28 th March 2012 | M S J White | Concerns with quality of resurfacing work in the Valley | Discussed and response from SCC noted |
| March 2012 | ESBC | Fly-tipping campaign | To be noted and poster displayed |
| March 2012 | ESBC | Presentation on Emergency Planning offered | Clerk to invite for May meeting and to let Burton Mail know |

11/135 Finance

1. Accounts to be Approved for Payment

| Supplier | Goods or Services | Gross | VAT | Net |
|----------------------|--|---------|------|---------|
| Liz James | Wages for March (as contracted) | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 |
| Liz James | Expenses (as detailed) | 58.70 | 0.00 | 58.70 |
| The Community Church | Grant for Brizfest 2012 – as agreed at the March Parish Council meeting | 2500.00 | 0.00 | 2500.00 |
| SPCA | Membership subscription for 2012 | 610.03 | 0.00 | 610.03 |
| Stapenhill PCC | Rental of The Glebe for Parish Plan meeting on 12 th April 2012 | 10.00 | 0.00 | 10.00 |
| G Willett | 500 second class stamps | 180.00 | 0.00 | 180.00 |

All were in favour of these payments.

11/136 Clerk's and Members reports

The Clerk handed out a copy of the data breakdown from the Parish Plan Questionnaire. It was decided that the idea of using Surveymonkey to attach an electronic version of the questionnaire to the website be paid for by the Parish Council with Cllr Lyne proposing this, seconded by Cllr Muir and all in favour. The aim is to have this in place in time for the next PC meeting in May at which point this can be advertised. It was suggested that the results also be discussed with ESBC, SCC and Police representatives. Other options of gaining opinions were also discussed including a trial running in Winshill over the following weekend. It was agreed that the Clerk would put forward a report of the outcomes so far into the next newsletter. It is expected that the next newsletter is likely to be published during early June. Clerk to action

Meetings dates and venues were discussed especially with regards to school holiday periods. It was agreed to remain at Violet Way Academy for all meetings and that the August Meeting

would be changed to 9th August 2012.

Cllr Insley asked for an update regarding polling stations. It was reported that The Glebe would be used.

Cllr Muir gave background regarding the Margaret Stanshope Closure.

Cllr Goldstraw reported on a grit bin issue on Hargate Road. The Clerk as asked to contact SCC to request a map of the designated positions for the bins and to query when the two promised for Foxglove Avenue and Hargate Road/Darley Close are due for delivery.

Clerk to action

Cllr Warrilow reported on Speedwatch – noting that the numbers of those speeding had decreased which is showing that the scheme is having an effect.

Cllr Warrilow also reported on the PACT meeting. The next one is due to take place on 10th July.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 17th May 2012.

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on April 26th 2012.

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 Liz James, the Clerk of the Council. Telephone 01538 702077, or email barabarani@aol.com Correspondence should be sent to Fox House, Tythe Barn, Alton, Staffordshire, ST10 4AZ

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