

BRIMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Brimington Parish Council Monthly Meeting held at Brimington Community Centre, Heywood Street, Brimington on 14 April 2015 at 7:00pm

In Attendance: Cllrs A Bellamy, C Brown (Vice Chair), J Haywood, A Thomson, B Weston.
Also 3 members of the public and E Boswell - Locum Clerk

The Vice Chair opened the meeting.

PART I – NON CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

1019/15 To receive apologies for absence – Councillors K Bird, I Callan, P Cawthorne and S Yates

1020/15 Variation of Order of Business – None required

1021/15 Declaration of Members Interests – None declared

1022/15 Public Speaking

Mrs S Chambers addressed the meeting with four items of concern. She raised concerns regarding litter in the Parish including the Park on Station Road and in and around Coronation Road and Heywood Street. During the gales in February 2015 children had picked up litter (including broken glass) from overturned re-cycling wheelie bins as refuse collectors had stated that they were unable to undertake this work. Mrs Chambers expressed concern that litter was swept up in Staveley on a regular basis, but that she had only seen this service once in Brimington during the past year. She had spoken with Mel Henley of Spire Pride who had agreed to put a more regular service into Brimington, but this has seemingly not been put into action.

The Parish Council has been concerned for a long time with litter and dog fouling in the village. It is recommended that when contacting the Borough Council to ask for a reference number to ensure that the matter is logged.

The second item raised was the amount of litter and dirt in and around the Bus Station in town to the rear of the Tesco supermarket and the amount of people who hang around this area.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council will write to the Borough Council via the Leader Councillor J Burrows and Deputy Leader Councillor T Gilby asking them to follow up both complaints of litter with the relevant officers and to reply to both the Parish Council and Mrs Chambers.

The third item raised was parking on Heywood Street, during the day time cars are parking on the pavement and this is forcing people with pushchairs to walk into the street.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council will write to Sergeant McNulty of Derbyshire Constabulary and ask him to look into the matter and to reply to both the Parish Council and Mrs Chambers.

The fourth item is as to whether or not there is still an active Neighbourhood Watch in the area.

RESOLVED: Councillor Bellamy will contact the Police to see what the current situation is with Neighbourhood Watch in Brimington.

Two members of the public left the meeting at this point with Councillor Weston to discuss further matters.

1023/15 It was resolved to suspend standing orders to allow one more item to be discussed under public speaking.

1024/15 It was reported that Brimington Clinic on Church Street has been closed and that the nearest clinic is now in Staveley. This has caused problems for an elderly resident in accessing replacement hearing aid batteries.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council will contact Derbyshire Community Health Series to ask if the closure is permanent and what provision has been made locally to compensate for the closure.

1025/15 It was resolved to reinstate Standing Orders

Councillor Weston returned to the meeting

1026/15 To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded - None

1027/15 Chair's Announcements – None

1028/15 To confirm the previously circulated Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10 March 2015

RESOLVED: To sign the minutes as a true and accurate record

1029/15 To confirm the previously circulated Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 26 March 2015

RESOLVED: To sign the minutes as a true and accurate record

1030/15 Police Liaison - None

1031/15 Banking

a) Current Account Bank Reconciliation – To be presented to next the meeting

b) Expenditure and Income Statement – To be presented to the next meeting

c) Nat West Statements – Available at the meeting

RESOLVED: To note

1032/15 Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED: To approve and sign the cheques

1033/15 Planning Applications

a) CHE/15/00050/FUL – Land adjacent to 51B John Street, Brimington – Erection of 2 bedroom bungalow with detached garage

RESOLVED: To raise no objection

1034/15 Meeting Reports

a) Community Centre Waste bin collection problems and parked vehicles

Members considered the issue of the bin collection and also emergency disabled access from the emergency exit from the Meeting Room

RESOLVED: To contact Chesterfield Borough Council to ask if the width of the pavement area could be extended by one paving slab, to allow the bin to be moved up and down the side of the building and to enable the fire exit to be accessible for wheel chair and push chairs when cars are parked on the highway.

b) Craft Fair 21 March 2015

A report has been received from the Diane Hayler the organiser of the Craft Fair. The first event was deemed to be busy and popular. The event was advertised via Facebook, the Parish Newsletter and around the village. There was a large variety of stalls including local people and

charities; and lunch provided by Christine Brown. The stall holders have given positive feedback, they were pleased with the hall facility. Future events are planned.

RESOLVED: To note

c) Brimington Public Toilets

Chesterfield Borough Council closed all their outlying public toilets ten months ago, there has been no re-action to the closure of the other 4 blocks. It is understood a permanent closure would save in the region of £25,000 per annum.

RESOLVED: For the Locum Clerk to contact Chesterfield Borough Council to ask whether the closure of the toilets will continue and to establish the future plans for the site on High Street, Brimington.

d) Newsletter

There have been questions raised over the delivery of the newsletter, a number of Councillors and members of the public have not received the publication.

RESOLVED: For the Locum Clerk to contact the distributor and make enquiries on the areas that they have been instructed to deliver to; and establish why parts of the Parish have not received the publication.

1036/15 Literature / Correspondence received

Open Spaces Newsletter

Chesterfield Borough Council Trans Pennine Trail (Bridleway 14), Tapton Golf Course, Crow Lane, Chesterfield Bridleway Diversion Order 2012 – Order Confirmed

1037/15 Items for May Agenda – None

1038/15 Date for the next meeting

Annual Parish Meeting - Tuesday 19 May 2015 at 6.30pm

Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 19 May 2015 at 7.00pm

PART II – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

1039/15 **RESOLVED:** “That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted in item Locum Clerk, it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.”

1040/15 Locum Clerk

It was reported that following the resolution at the meeting of 10 March 2015, that Liz Boswell had been appointed as Locum Clerk on the same terms and conditions as the retiring Clerk. She commenced work on 23 March 2015 and is able to stay for as long as needed to continue the Council’s business whilst a permanent Clerk is appointed.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Councillor Belamy and seconded by Councillor Weston to approve the Locum appointment.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Councillor Haywood and seconded by Councillor Weston that the Locum Clerk be employed on the same terms and conditions as the retiring Clerk.

1041/15 Meeting closed at 8.17 pm