

## Brinsworth Parish Council

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 18 JANUARY 2018

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr J Williams

Vice-Chairman : Cllr D Barry

Councillors : Cllr R Bowler, Cllr A Buckley, Cllr D Dyson, Cllr Mrs P Gregory, Cllr S Ridge, Cllr Mrs M Rollinson, Cllr Mrs K Saxton, Cllr Mrs J Tompkins

Non Councillors : Cllr N Simpson

Officers : Mrs G Blank

#### **2118 Public Question Time (20 minutes)**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

#### **2119 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Hughes and the reason was approved.

#### **2120 Declaration of Members' Interests**

The Chairman asked Councillors to make any declarations of interest prior to the relevant item being discussed.

#### **2121 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held on :-**

19th December 2017

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 19th December 2017 are approved as a true and accurate record.

#### **2122 To Receive Information on Ongoing Issues and Decide Further Action Where Necessary**

2113 (2103) Community Issues - SYPTE have now agreed to a meeting with the Parish Council to discuss the removal of the bus shelter. The Clerk is to arrange the meeting. The Clerk reported that at the last site meeting the Parish Council's Architect had suggested that the Parish Council look into moving the Field View street sign and the street light and litter bin outside the hall. The Clerk asked Councillors if they would like her to pursue this as all these things would be at the cost to the Parish Council.

2114 - Community Issues (a) - Barden Crescent - Cllr Buckley reported that they are looking to have the hedges cut back through the Ward Councillors budget .

2114 - Community Issues (b) - Brinsworth Lane shopping area. Cllr Saxton asked if any update had been received. The Clerk reported that works were due to start Monday 22nd January 2017.

## 2123 Community Issues

- Police

(a) The Clerk informed Councillors that the Assistant Clerk had emailed the local PCSO to report a number of incidents in the Brinsworth Community, from drug usage to general anti-social behaviour. A response was received explaining that due to other regular commitments in other areas the PCSO would not be able to attend Brinsworth for a number of weeks, the Parish Council were invited to visit him at his regular meeting place at Treeton. Councillors discussed the issue and agreed this was unacceptable and asked the Clerk to write to the Police Crime Commissioner to explain the Parish Council's concerns.

(b) The Clerk informed Councillors that there had been another act of vandalism on the swings at the top of Brinsworth Playing Fields, another swing had been badly damaged by a dog. The Clerk reported that in response she had requested that the remaining swings at the top of the field be removed until the Council decides the appropriate course of action.

The Clerk also reported that the incident had been reported to Police and that a notice on Facebook had been posted asking for any information from the Public. Councillors discussed the issue.

RESOLVED: That the swings at the top of the playing field be taken down until further notice and that an explanation of the Council's actions be posted on the Facebook group.

(c) Tree on Millennium Park - The Clerk reported that she had been contacted by the Police with a request from the family of the young man who took his own life to remove the tree from Millennium Park. The Clerk reported that the tree in question was a Cherry Tree and too big for the Council's attendants to remove.

RESOLVED: As a mark of respect the Parish Council agree to remove the tree on Millennium Park. The Clerk is to arrange the removal at the lowest price.

- RMBC Ward Councillors

Cllr Buckley updated Councillors on discussions at the latest CIM meeting. After receiving a lot of anti-social behaviour complaints at a recent Councillors surgery he held he has asked Insp Bakewell for a meeting to discuss the issues with residents. Insp Bakewell agreed to attend a Parish Council meeting where these complaints can be discussed and will be contacting the Clerk to arrange an appropriate time. The Clerk and Cllr Buckley will contact residents when this date has been decided.

Cllr Buckley also reported that there had been discussions on the current format of the CIM meetings as not all partners were attending. The current CIM meetings also do not allow for the general public to attend, they are looking at the possibility of re-introducing this although there would need to be a way of working around sensitive information that is sometimes discussed.

Cllr Buckley also discussed the chaos being caused due to the traffic lights at the Whitehill Lane / Bawtry Road junction whilst drainage repairs are carried out. Cllr Simpson has requested cross hatchings to be included as part of the improvement plans for Bawtry Road.

Cllr Buckley reported that there had recently been some crime prevention meetings in

other areas which had been successful and that he was hoping to arrange a session for Brinsworth residents in the future.

Cllr Simpson also updated Councillors on the recent CIM meeting and how he has requested more help with mental health issues in the community, with specialist dealing with some crimes rather than the Police.

Cllr Simpson reported that at a recent Transport meeting Sheffield City region are hoping to provide a commuter station at Waverley in the future and are working with SYPT. There was also a presentation from representatives from Doncaster airport who showed their plans for a train station on the airport site and were looking into potential links between Waverley and the airport.

- Others

The Clerk informed Councillors that she had received a call from RotherFM requesting an interview to discuss the new Community Centre and recent anti-social behaviour in the area. Councillors discussed who would be best to represent the Parish Council and it was agreed on the Chairman or Vice Chairman. The Clerk passed on the contact details to the Chairman.

The issue of the absence of road markings on Field View was discussed and Cllr Buckley agreed to take this up with the Network Manager at RMBC.

## **2124 Planning**

- To consider RMBC Planning Lists

RB2017/1605 - Installation of air conditioning unit at 10 Field View - Councillors expressed concern regarding the size of the unit.

- To receive an update on applications previously considered

RB2017/1508 - Installation of No.2 dwellings at land at Aubretia Ave - Refused - noted

RB2017/1096 - Erection of single storey extensions to side and rear to form community library and storage area and formation of new stairs and ramp access from adjacent car park and Field View car park at Brinsworth Parish Council Office - Granted Conditionally - noted. Councillors agreed that this good news should be shared on Facebook.

RB2017/1719 - Two storey side, single storey rear extensions and installation of dormer windows to rear at 39 Homestead Drive - Granted Conditionally - noted.

## **2125 Reports**

a) KidZone - The Clerk had circulated the first term report submitted by KidZone prior to the meeting. The issues in the report were discussed. The Clerk reported that she is still waiting for feedback from Jess after the taster session with Active Regen. Since the Christmas break attendance continues to remain low. Councillors discussed how KidZone could be promoted to increase numbers. It was agreed that Cllr Barry and the Clerk meet with the staff to discuss ideas and the Clerk is to ensure that they all have the necessary checks in place.

**RESOLVED:** That the current arrangements with KidZone continue and be reviewed in 6 months.

b) Rotherham Advertiser Coverage - Councillors discussed the dwindling coverage of Brinsworth in the Rotherham Advertiser. Despite the Clerk trying to work closely with the reporter for Brinsworth the amount of information published had totally diminished again. Previously members of the Council have tried to resolve the issue with the editor of the newspaper with no success. Councillors discussed what action the Parish Council should take.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk and Cllr Barry write to the Editor of the Rotherham Advertiser on behalf of the Parish Council to express concerns with how Brinsworth is being represented in its newspaper.

c) Funding Support - The Clerk informed Councillors that she had received 2 requests for support with funding activities in the Brinsworth Community from John Bell (connected with local schools) and Active Regen. The Clerk is to add the items onto the next Finance agenda for discussion.

d) Councillor Training - Cllr Barry provided feedback from the Councillor Training event he and Cllr Ridge had attended.

e) Roof Insurance Claim - The Clerk reported that a lost adjuster had visited the Pavilion to see if the Parish Council had a valid claim and that it was in his view that the damage was due to the age of the roof, a report would be submitted to the Parish Council to confirm this decision.

f) Aughton Early Years - Cllr Dyson informed the meeting that the next scheduled Early Years meeting is in 2 weeks time and that he would be attending.

## **2126 Correspondence**

a) RMBC - Rotherham Local Plan - Consultation on Proposed Main Modifications to the Sites and Policies Document (forwarded to Councillors) - The Clerk informed Councillors that this concerned the Wath, Brampton Bierlow and West Melton area.

b) Bradford & Son - Re Archers Sign - The Clerk informed Councillors that the Parish Council had received a Freedom of Information request from Mr Archer's Solicitors prior to the Christmas break and a further letter asking for a response. The Clerk has subsequently responded and supplied the information requested. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not respond further and return the sign to Mr Archer after the 3 months notice period expires.

c) YLCA - White Rose Update (forwarded to Councillors) - The Clerk pointed out the GDPR update and informed Councillors that she intended to attend a training webinar to get herself up to speed as legislation needs to be looked into as a matter of urgency. There is also an external audit webinar available that the Clerk also intends to attend.

d) YLCA - Planning Seminars (forwarded to Councillors) - noted. Cllr Williams to look at and let the Clerk know if he wishes to attend.

e) SYPCC - Newsletter (forwarded to Councillors) - noted

f) Hope City Enterprise Centre - New premises at Waverley (forwarded to Councillors) - noted

- g) ACM Training - Social Media Training Courses - noted. Cllr Barry to look at and let the Clerk know if he wishes to attend
- h) SYFAB - Funding News (forwarded to Councillors) - noted
- i) VAR - Bulletin (forwarded to Councillors) - noted
- j) Any Other Correspondence
- 1) Orgreave, Catcliffe and Waverley Community Governance Review - Have your Say. Cllr Buckley updated Councillors on the review regarding boundary changes.
- 2) NALC Chief Executives Bulletin 2: 12.01.18 - The Clerk highlighted the GDPR issue being raised in this bulletin.
- 3) YLCA - Dementia Friendly Councils - The Clerk asked Councillors if they required further information on this and the Councillors agreed that they would.

**2127 Resource Centre**

- a) To receive an update - The Clerk reported that this is now a standard agenda item and that she had nothing to update the Councillors on at this time.
- b) To approve the job description and terms and conditions of the Centre Manager - this was deferred to the next meeting when visits had taken place to Dinnington Resource Centre.
- c) To approve the placement of the advert in local and regional press - deffered to the next meeting.

MEETING CLOSED AT 20:30