

Brinsworth Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17 MAY 2018

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr J Williams

Vice-Chairman : Cllr D Barry

Councillors : Cllr R Bowler, Cllr D Dyson, Cllr Mrs P Gregory, Cllr Mrs M Hughes, Cllr S Ridge, Cllr Mrs M Rollinson

Officers : Mrs G Blank

2168 Public Question Time (20 minutes)

There were no members of the public in attendance.

2169 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Buckley, Saxton and Tompkins and the reasons given were approved.

2170 Declaration of Members' Interests

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

2171 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held on :-

19th April 2018

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 19th April 2018 are approved as a true and accurate record.

2172 To Receive Information on Ongoing Issues and Decide Further Action Where Necessary

- Matters Arising

2153 (2144) - St Georges Steps - The Clerk informed Councillors that she had not received any response from RMBC since the last meeting. Cllr Dyson confirmed that he was aware that residents were being consulted on the proposal to close the steps. Cllr Bowler reported that part of the area had been fenced off.

2153 (2147) - Trees - The Clerk confirmed that she had applied for the trees as requested.

2153 (2147) - Alex Nocton - The Clerk informed Councillors that a registration form and request for payment in advance had been sent to Alex Nocton along with all other catering units due to attend on Fete day to avoid being let down on the day and to reduce the amount of income needing to be collected on the day.

2156 - The Clerk confirmed that the Assistant Clerks appraisal would be arranged for a date in June, followed by all other staff.

2157 (k) Cllr Ridge asked if the Clerk had made any progress with the issue of more dog bins and she replied that she still had to arrange to meet the RMBC representative.

2173 Community Issues

a) Police - The Clerk informed Councillors of an email received from PCSO Brown requesting people to sign up to SYP alerts. Councillors discussed the reports of police incidents around Brinsworth in recent weeks and the negative response from residents on Facebook of how the Parish Council get involved. It was agreed that an article should be included in the next edition of the newsletter encouraging residents to report all incidents to the Police to raise the profile of Brinsworth to the Police.

b) RMBC Ward Councillors - Cllr Nigel Simpson was in attendance and updated Councillors on transport links between Waverley and Doncaster airport, cycling routes in Rotherham, complaints from residents about litter on Grange Lane and his idea to provide planting troughs at Brinsworth Lane shopping area to enhance the works recently completed.

c) Others - The Clerk informed Councillors that the Parish Council litter picker wished to speak to them about the litter outside of the shops on Brinsworth Lane. Councillors discussed the lack of bins in the area since 4 had been removed by RMBC. The Clerk informed Councillors that both herself and the Assistant Clerk have been in contact numerous times with RMBC asking when these bins will be replaced. Councillors discussed the issue and requested that the Clerk write to all shop owners in Brinsworth asking them for their assistance in keeping the land outside of their premises clear of rubbish. Cllr Williams also asked the Clerk to look into whether, as part of the planning consent, catering units need to provide their own bins.

2174 Brinsworth Playing Fields

- To consider and approve the reinstatement of the swings at the top of Brinsworth Playing Fields

The Clerk reported that due to the amount of older youths using the enclosed play area and causing a nuisance she had instructed the attendants to reinstate the swings available at the top of the fields. Councillors agreed this was the right action to take.

The Clerk informed Councillors that the cost of replacing the missing swings was £40 per flat swing (2 required) and £140 for the baby pod swings and asked if she had permission to go ahead and replace them. Councillors discussed the issue and agreed that the swings should be replaced but any future replacements due to vandalism would need careful consideration. The Clerk was asked to post a message on Facebook and include an article in the Newsletter requesting residents to be vigilant and report anything they see.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk replace the vandalised swings at a cost of £220.

2175 Policies

- To consider and approve the approach currently being taken towards achieving GDPR compliance

The Clerk explained to Councillors that she is working with other Clerks in the Borough to formulate the best approach to achieve compliance with GDPR legislation and spread the workload. The Clerk asked Councillors to consider and approve this approach. Councillors discussed the issue and agreed that this was the best use of resources and again requested that this responsibility be added to the Assistant Clerk duties as she is responsible for correspondence and filing.

RESOLVED: That the current approach to achieve compliance with the new GDPR legislation is approved.

2176 Planning

- To consider RMBC Planning Lists

a) RB2018/0563 - Single storey front extension at 19 Wensleydale Drive - noted

b) RB2018/0656 - Erection of detached garage at 91 Sunnybank Crescent - noted

c) RB2018/0710 - Single storey rear extension at 29 Willow Close - noted

- To receive an update on applications previously considered

i) RB2018/0488 - Demolition of existing garage and erection of double garage and workshop at 42 Homestead Drive - Granted Conditionally - noted

ii) RB2018/0387 - Single storey rear extension at 18 Crownhill Road - Granted Conditionally - noted

iii) RB2018/0399 - Demolition of existing conservatory, erection of single storey rear extension & alterations to existing flat roof to form pitched roof at 41 Whitehill Lane - Granted Conditionally - noted

iv) RB2018/0480 - Single storey rear extension at 35 Croft Road. - Granted Conditionally - noted

2177 Reports

Cllr Bowler updated Councillors on the work being carried out by RMBC Youth Services who are handing out questionnaires to children they meet on their evening patrols to ask what activities they would like to see offered.

The deadline for returning the questionnaires is the 25th May 2018 and then a plan can be formulated on how to best spend the contributions from the Parish Council.

2178 Correspondence

- a) RMBC Electoral Services - Monthly Updates - noted
- b) RMBC Environment & Development Services - Proposed Accident Reduction Scheme on Bawtry Road (forwarded to Councillors) - noted
- c) SYP - Neighbourhood Alert System - noted
- d) Live Inclusive - Access to Independence - Befriending Plus Project - noted
- e) Resident - A Praise & A Grumble (forwarded to Ward Councillors) - noted
- f) Resident - Dogs on Leads - noted
- g) Community First Yorkshire - Taking Charge of Change Conference 17.05.18 - noted
- h) SYFRA - Newsletter (forwarded to Councillors) - noted
- i) SYFAB - Newsletters - noted
- j) VAR - Bulletins - noted
- k) Any Other Correspondence
- i) RMBC - List of road works proposed for the Brinsworth area - Councillors asked Nigel Simpson to ask why Brinsworth Lane (outside the Manor school) and Whitehill Lane are not on the list.
- ii) Cllr Simpson - Troughs and flowers at Brinsworth Lane shops - this had already been discussed during Ward Councillor's update.

2179 Resource Centre

- a) To receive an update

The Clerk provided the following update for Councillors:

- The window frames and glass are currently being fitted.
- CCTV installation will commence when building secure.
- Air Conditioning installation is making good progress.
- Internal walls are being built.
- Electrician has started wiring.

Cadam are awaiting drawings for AV, Telecoms, IT and Café / Bar area as a matter of urgency.

- b) To consider and approve any outstanding issues regarding the Centre

The Clerk reported that there will be a number of decisions to be made at the next meeting.

MEETING CLOSED 21:00