



# BRINSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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## Full Council Meeting Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 6.30pm

Present: Cllr V Wakeling (Chairman), Cllr R Byers, Cllr D Kerry, Cllr A Rainbow, Cllr E Williamson

Guests: PSCO A Davies (Nottinghamshire Police)

Clerk/RFO: R Flatley

1 member of the public

### MINUTES

FC25/447	Apologies for Absence ( <i>authorisation required</i> ) <b>Cllr D Rainbow</b>
FC25/448	Variations of Order of Business ( <i>if needed</i> ). <b>None</b>
FC25/449	<p>Declaration of Members' Interests and Requests for Dispensation <b>Cllr A Rainbow declared an interest in Item FC25/451 due to being a in-law relation of the applicant.</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> <b>That, pursuant to Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011, the Council grants a dispensation to the following councillor(s):</b> <b><i>Cllr A Rainbow</i></b></p> <p><b>to enable her to speak and vote on matters relating to the item declared above, notwithstanding that they have a disclosable pecuniary interest in such matters.</b></p> <p><b>The Council is satisfied that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>without the dispensation the number of members prohibited from participating would be so great as to impede the transaction of the business; and</b></li><li>• <b>granting the dispensation is otherwise appropriate in the interests of the inhabitants of the parish.</b></li></ul> <p><b>This dispensation shall apply to this meeting only.</b></p> <p><b>Cllr V Wakeling declared an interest in Item FC25/462 due to her role as President of the Bowls Club and would therefore not be speaking or voting on the matter.</b></p>
FC25/450	Suspension of Standing Orders to allow the following: <b>Resolved (EW/DK)</b>
FC25/451	<p>To consider applications for co-option to the Parish Council <b>One application had been received from Mrs Rebekah Rainbow who was in attendance.</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED That, following the expiration of the period during which a request for an election may be made and no such request having been received, the Parish Council resolves to co-opt Rebekah Rainbow to fill one of the casual vacancies on Brinsley Parish Council; and that Rebekah Rainbow, having confirmed that she is eligible and willing to serve, be co-opted as a councillor with immediate effect.</b></p>

	<p>Cllr Rainbow subsequently signed the declaration of office and was provided with the necessary paperwork.</p>
FC25/452	<p>Broxtowe Borough Council Matters – Cllr E Williamson reported that the main item in relation to Broxtowe Borough Council was the setting of council tax for 2026-27. An increase of 2.94% had been recommended by the Cabinet for approval at the Full Council meeting. The Council's administration is proud of their achievement noting no cuts to frontline staff or services have been made. The Borough Council has extended its contract with an external agency to provide environmental enforcement against littering and fly tipping. 1,685 fixed penalty notices have been issued borough-wide since the arrangement began.</p> <p>Nottinghamshire County Council Matters – No report</p> <p>Police Reports – PCSO A Davies who is a member of the safer neighbourhood team (SNT) was in attendance at the meeting. He gave an explanation to the Council regarding the police system for crime and incident reporting, noting that there had been 8 reported within the Parish of Brinsley over the past 30 days. Only one of these incidents was classed as a crime report. This was noted as being lower than other areas covered by the SNT. Issues with off road bikes were raised and the PCSO noted that the off road bike to do attend areas of high activity however as a countywide team competition for visits is high. Mini Police scheme is being run in local schools and involves different presentations and discussions with pupils about policing matters. Nottinghamshire Police is currently recruiting for both officers and PCSOs to replace historically reduced numbers. Councillors made representations regarding issues of speeding traffic in the village alongside parking. With respect to parking, PCSO Davies explained that enforcement was primarily a local authority matter however a fact sheet was circulated to be shared on the Parish Council's social media. A reminder was given regarding the Notts Alert system encouraging members of Council to join if they were not already signed up.</p> <p>Public Participation (maximum of 15 minutes allocated to 3 minutes per attendee) – No members of the public were present.</p>
FC25/453	<p>Reinstatement of Standing Orders <b>Resolved (EW/DK)</b></p>
FC25/454	<p><b>To receive Reports –</b> The Chairman – The Chairman reported that there had been little activity over the previous several weeks. Some event invitations had been received however she was unable to attend due to other commitments.</p> <p>Senior Caretaker Report – No report</p> <p>Clerk Report – The Clerk reported the Council's insurance was due for renewal in April. He had met with the current insurer earlier in the week who indicated that the renewal quote is likely to increase. The Clerk would be bringing quotes regarding the insurance to the March meeting. With respect to the Council's telephone and broadband contract, the Clerk had been in discussions with the provider who would be reducing the bill by £25 per month by removing unused features. The contract is due for renewal in January 2027. The Clerk had also received a letter indicating that the direct debit amount for the Parish Hall and Pavilion's water would be increasing significantly. He would be investigating this matter further and reporting back in due course.</p>
FC25/456	<p>Minutes - <i>To receive and approve the draft minutes from the Full Council Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026 at 7.15 pm. It was resolved to receive and approve the minutes (AR/VW).</i></p>
FC25/457	<p>Subscriptions:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED to accept the renewal subscription price for the Council's membership of Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils at £678.88 (EW/DK)</b></p>

	<p><b>RESOLVED to make payment of the outstanding invoices to IT2 Ltd and for the Clerk to report back at a future meeting regarding the exact renewal prices for the Council's overall IT support package alongside alternative options available. In the interim period the Clerk was instructed to purchase an external hard drive for physical back-up of the IT system.</b></p>
FC25/458	<p>Financial items:</p> <p><i>Receipts</i> To note income received 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026. <b>Noted (RB/AR)</b></p> <p><i>Payments</i> To note payments made 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026 and to be authorised. <b>Approved for payment (DK/VW)</b></p> <p><i>Bank Signatories:</i> <b>Cllr Byers had signed everything required by Unity Trust Bank and the Clerk was due to submit all the paperwork shortly.</b></p> <p><i>Amazon Compensation:</i> <b>The Clerk had reported that amazon.co.uk had provided the Council with a gift card of £4.99 to use as compensation for a late delivery of an item the Council had purchased. RESOLVED to note the receipt of £4.99 non-cash compensation from Amazon UK which the Council authorised for use against a future purchase (EW/VW).</b></p>
FC25/459	<p>To receive and approve the financial reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank reconciliations to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026</li> </ul> <p><b>Noted (RB/AR)</b></p>
FC25/460	<p>To consider quotations received:</p> <p><i>Tree Survey</i> <b>RESOLVED to accept the quote provided for £1932.00 from Forest Farm Tree Services with respect to remedial works identified in the 2025 tree survey (EW/VW).</b></p> <p><i>Play Area Improvements</i> <b>RESOLVED to defer the item until the next parish council meeting when further information has been received. In the meantime the Clerk was to explore opportunities for grant funding with Broxtowe Borough Council (VW/AR).</b></p>
FC25/461	<p>Request for favourable rates: To consider any request received for reduced fees for Council services <b>None received</b></p>
FC25/462	<p>Repairs and Maintenance;</p> <p><i>Bowling Green Maintenance</i> <b>The Council had been asked for a contribution of £300 towards maintenance of the Bowling Green. RESOLVED to agree payment of £300 as contribution for the maintenance of the Bowling Green upon receipt of invoice (DK/EW).</b></p> <p><i>Fire Inspection Report</i> <b>A number of remedial works had been recommended in the recent Fire Inspection report such as replacement emergency lighting and types of fire alarms. RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to source the replacement quotes for the items identified within the fire inspection report (DK/RB).</b></p>
FC25/463	<p>Appointment of Internal Auditor:</p>

	<b>RESOLVED that the Council reappoint Emma Smith of East Midlands Audit Services Ltd as the internal auditor for 2026-27 (/VW/DK)</b>
FC/464	<p>Personnel Committee Meeting</p> <p><b>RESOLVED to schedule a meeting of the Personnel Committee for Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February to include items for the election of a new committee chair, agree the draft terms of references and finalise arrangements for the conducting of staff appraisals.</b></p> <p><b>Further RESOLVED to Cllr R Rainbow be appointed as a member of the Personnel and Finance Committees of the Council.</b></p>
FC25/465	<p>Planning items;</p> <p><i>25/00901/FUL: Retain 3 cabins in rear garden associated with child care business 142 Broad Lane Brinsley Nottinghamshire NG16 5BE 27 January 2026</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED that the Council does not object to the proposals but wishes to make a representation that the owners of the business are considerate of noise and safety concerns that have been raised by local residents.</b></p> <p><i>26/00013/FUL: Conversion of existing integral garage to create living accommodation 110 Broad Lane Brinsley Nottinghamshire NG16 5BD 3 February 2026</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED that no comment or objection be made with respect to the application.</b></p>
FC25/466	<p><b>Exclusion of Public Order</b></p> <p>Exclusion of the Press and Public Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.</p> <p><i>Not required</i></p>
FC25/467	<p>Close meeting – Date of next meeting Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March.</p> <p><b>Noted</b></p>