

Brinsley Parish Council

(Draft) Minutes of the Annual Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th May 2026 at 7pm.

In Attendance;

Councillors; R. Byers, D. Kerry. A. Rainbow, D. Rainbow, R. Rainbow and V. Wakeling.

4 members of the public

Jo Williamson – Locum Clerk

FC26/001 Election of a Chairman for the 2026/27 Civic Year and Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

RESOLVED to elect Cllr D Kerry as Chairman

FC26/002 Election of Vice Chairman for the 2026/27 Civic Year.

RESOLVED to elect Cllr D Rainbow as Vice Chairman.

FC26/003 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED to accept apologies for absence from Cllr E Williamson.

FC26/004 Variations of Order of Business

NONE

FC26/005 Declarations of Member's Interests and Requests for Dispensations

NONE

FC26/006 Suspension of Standing Orders to allow the following;

RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders

Broxtowe Borough Council matters – No report

Nottinghamshire County Council matters – No report

Police Reports

- There have been 5 incidents of crime reported in Brinsley, 3 of these relate to speeding on Broad Lane. It was planned to set up a speed camera in the area in the coming weeks, however demand for speed cameras was high and there was quite a list.
- A 'mini police' program had taken place at the Brinsley Primary School, this is a 9 week program which tackles issues such as anti-social behaviour, hate crime and road safety. Participants receive a certificate for taking part. The head teacher had been very supportive of the program which has been taking place across the country.

Public Participation

- A resident asked for the councils support in improving the living conditions in properties which are Houses of Multiple Occupancy within the village and queried about a recent incident where they had been told to contact the council for more information. It was agreed to put this on a future agenda.
- A request was made by the organisers of local car boot sales to hold a car boot on the field at the rear of the village hall, they were advised to put in an application with further details.

- FC26/008** Reinstatement of Standing Orders
RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.
- FC26/009** To receive reports;
Chairman – None
- Senior Caretaker
- Adam was leaving ATFC and Gary Hudson would be taking over. Gary has been asked to re-apply for use of the facilities rather than these just transferring over.
 - There had been parking issues with the Bowls Club being unable to park
 - A new knitting group had started at the Village Hall which will take place once a month. There had been a complaint about bins not being located
 - along the path. The council are currently awaiting new ‘Broxap’ bins from Broxtowe Borough Council, however these are in high demand.
 - A request for cleaning supplies and toilet rolls was made.
- Clerks Report – None
- FC26/010** Minutes
RESOLVED to accept the minutes from the Full Council Meeting held on 8th April 2026 at 6.30pm and the minutes from the Personnel Committee Meeting held on 10th April 2026 at 7pm as a true record.
- FC26/011** Financial Items;
Receipts
To note the income received from 1st April to 30th April 2026
NOTED
- Payments
To note and authorise the payments made from 1st to 30th April 2026
RESOLVED to note and authorise the payments made from 1st April to 30th April 2026
- Bank Signatories
Current bank signatories were Cllr D Kerry and V Wakeling.
RESOLVED that Cllr V Wakeling be removed as a signatory and Cllrs R Byers and R Rainbow be added as signatories.
- FC26/012** To receive and approve the financial reports;
RESOLVED to accept the current financial reports, but to note that they may not be presenting all the correct information and that this be amended going forwards.
- FC26/013** To consider quotations received;
Brinsley Foodbank request for shelving
RESOLVED to accept the request from Brinsley Foodbank to erect shelving, with all costs paid by Brinsley Foodbank.
- FC26/014** Request for Favourable Rates

NONE

- FC26/015** Repairs and Maintenance
Disabled Swing
Councillors reported that there had been lots of interest in the closing of the disabled swing on Facebook as this had been out of action for some time. It was reported that there had only been one quotation received to repair the swing at a cost of £1,600. Councillors discussed access to the swing and potential **RESOLVED** that the reason for the swing being out of action be communicated to the public via social media and that the Clerk speak to Broxtowe Borough Council about section 106 monies due to the council and the item be placed on the next agenda.
- FC26/016** Newsletter
RESOLVED that Cllr R Byers would send out the Terms of Reference for the Newsletter group and a 6 monthly bulletin then be produced for full council approval.
- FC26/017** Establishment of Committees 2026/27
RESOLVED that all items go to full council until more Councillors are co-opted other than the HR Committee which is to consist of Cllrs D Kerry, R Byers and A Rainbow.
- FC26/018** Review and Re-adoption of Standing Orders
RESOLVED to agree to adopt the current Brinsley Parish Council Standing Orders.
- FC26/019** Confirmation of Meeting Dates
RESOLVED to accept the list of meeting dates for the 2026/27 Civic year.
- FC26/020** Planning Items as of 1st April 20026.
NONE
- FC26/021** Exclusion of the Press and Public
- FC26/022** Staffing Matters
RESOLVED that the current applications for the position of Clerk are reviewed after the closing date of 21st May and interviews scheduled, if this is unsuccessful then the position be re-advertised.
- FC26/023** Meeting Cloe
The meeting closed at 8.48pm.

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APM26/001 Welcome by Cllr V Wakeling

NOTED

APM 26/002 To receive the Chairmans Report for the past year 2025-26.

A statement was read out by the Chairman for 2025 – 2026 Valerie Wakeling.

This was a very mixed year with many challenges along the way.

Councillor Davies was Chairman from May 2025 to September of the same year when I became Chair after her resignation. Councillor numbers have been a real problem, to hold meetings we must be quorate, but unfortunately because of other resignations we had to cancel meetings and change dates to comply with the rules. To be quorate we need at least 5 members at the meetings. We have 13 member places on the Parish Council, but even now after new members joining us we only have 6 so I feel a recruitment drive is needed.

Welcome to our new members.

I wish to thank all the councillors for all their hard work over the last year, we held our November 11th Service in Brinsley Church laying a poppy wreath at the Altar in memory of those who died during the first and second world wars from Brinsley, officiated by Lay Preacher Paul Lake. This was followed by also laying a wreath at the Memorial Garden to honour the men who had fallen in battle in both wars, again officiated by Paul Lake and then a short walk to the Parish Hall for refreshments.

Thank you very much to Paul Lake, Ian Davies for playing the bugle for us, the Councillors who attended and helped in any way and to Lynne and Sarah for organising the refreshments.

We also managed to host our Lights Switch on for our Christmas event.

A big thank you must go to Paula who arranged all the stalls in the hall and did no end of other jobs to make the event great success. As always, the fireworks went down well.

Thank you to David for the sound equipment, Angela for helping with the tables in the hall, Linda and everyone who cleared down the tables and chairs at the end and I must not forget Santa and his Elf who did a sterling job. We might have been just a few, but we got everything done.

All have a gold star!

As Chairman I have attended as many invitations as I could, several civic services, the Royal British Legion event at Giltbrook and of course all our own events. I have met so many other Mayors and Chairmen from other areas, even

Junior Mayors! It is wonderful to hear how they all cope with lack of numbers as it seems to be all over, the volunteers are just not coming forward wherever you live.

I have enjoyed my time as Chairman and I thank everyone for their support.

I haven't know Robert Flatley for very long but I have enjoyed working with him as our Parish Clerk, unfortunately Rober is resigning with some health issues, but I must thank him on behalf of the Council for all the work and effort he has put in for us while he has been here and we wish him well for the future.

I also have heath issues and old age creeps up on us all, I will be 87 in May, time flies.

I have been Chairman 6 times and a Councillor for many years and I feel it is time for me to step down and I would like to wish the new council all the best for the future.

Chairman – Brinsley Parish Council
Valeria Wakeling

APM26/003 To receive matters raised by the electors.
A matter raised by members of the public was referred to Full Council public speaking.

APM26/004 Close the meeting
The meeting closed at 6.47pm