BRINKLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Brinklow Annual Parish Meeting Held in the Community Hall on 12th May 2025

<u>Present:</u> Councillor J Reid (Chairman) Councillor J Brickwood

Councillor T Heenan D Lloyd (Clerk & RFO)

Councillor I Currington J Boonham

Councillor S Brown 15 Members of the public

Councillor K Keene

1. To Accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor H Timms (RBC), Councillor T Gillias (RBC) and Councillor A Warwick (WCC)

2. Minutes of the last meeting.

RESOLVED That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 9th May 2024 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record for the proceedings.

3. Report by the Chairman of the Parish Council.

A report was read out by the Chairman J Reid to all regarding the councils activities for the 2024/25 period:

- The new footpath has been installed on the Rugby road leading to Easenhall.
- The past couple of months have been consumed by the New Local Plan proposals and setting up and working with the volunteer groups. The councillors have all been very busy with regards to this.
- A budget has been set aside for protecting Brinklow from any damaging changes proposed by the New Local Plan.
- The Parish Council are still pressing for any possible speed reduction that can be implemented in the village especially the speed gates, but we are up against a lack of interest from WCC. RBC will now be the contractors not Balfour Beatty at a cost of £7500 which is half of the original cost quoted if we had used Balfour Beatty.
- The grass cutting has been managed much better this year, the village is looking very smart and our thanks and appreciation will be sent to the contractor.
- New benches have been installed on the playing field.
- Cheaper electricity tariffs were sourced and are constantly reviewed in order to keep the costs to the Parish Council for the village lighting down.
- A lot of work has been done at the Cemetery, Church Fields and the Tump, as well as around the village, by the Lengthsmen to maintain them and keep them well kempt and tidy.
- The Scarecrow festival, Christmas Market, and VE Day celebrations all took place showing once again the fantastic village community spirit that Brinklow are well known for.

4. Report by Brinklow Parish Council regarding the New Local Plan.

This is to be discussed in more detail in the normal monthly meeting – agenda item 10

5. To Receive reports from local Community Organisations.

Tom Bostock representing Brinklow Football Club mentioned the football tournament due to take place on the weekend of 30th May and that the addition mowing for 2 extra cuts had been sorted by liaising with Councillor K Keene and the Parish Council are to bill Brinklow Football Club for this additional cost. The field is looking very tidy. The Parish Council thanked the football club for putting up the signs that had been requested to advertise when games are to be played on the field.

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7.	Report by members of Rugby Borough Council representing Brinklow. NO RBC representatives were present.
8.	Other Matters raised by any elector of the Parish. No matters were raised.
	The Meeting Closed at 7.42pm
	CHAIRMAN

6. Report by member of Warwickshire County Council representing Brinklow.

No WCC representative was present.