

Brinkworth Parish Council

Minutes of the BPC meeting held at 7pm on Monday 11th April 2022 in the Brinkworth Village Hall Reading Room

Present: - Cllr Clothier (Chair), Cllr Evans (Vice chair), Cllr Gibbs, Cllr Parsons, Cllr G Threlfall, Cllr Greener, Cllr L Burois, Cllr Hazlewood, Cllr Millard, Cllr O Burois, Wilts Cllr E Threlfall

198/21 **Apologies for absence**

There were no apologies for absence

199/21 **Declaration of interest on agenda items**

There were no declarations of interest

200/21 **To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th March 2022**

The minutes of the meeting held on March 8th 2022 were proposed by Cllr Gibbs and seconded by Cllr Evans and were signed as a true record of the meeting.

201/21 **Report from Wiltshire Councillor E Threlfall (as applicable)**

Wilts Cllr E Threlfall spoke about the Lyneham Bank and the affect its closure was having on the local roads particularly Trow Lane and Bowds Lane. There have been complaints from residents that a lot of heavy traffic is using Trow Lane and damaging the verges. Highways are monitoring this and making repairs as possible. However, with the diversion being 21 miles it is not surprising that this road is being used. A suggestion has been made that a one-way system is enforced with traffic going up Trow Lane and down Bowds Lane but the low bridges mean that this is not possible. A lot of heavy traffic is using the narrow lane leading up to Bradenstoke. People are being asked to take photos of the offending lorries and they will be reported to Wiltshire Council. Overall, the repair will take at least a year to complete.

Work has now started on the B4042 which is closed to all traffic apart from service and school buses.

Wilts Cllr E Threlfall reported that the planning application at Manor Farm has been rejected.

202/21 **Planning Applications**

PL/2022/02324 Malthouse Farm, Swindon Road, Brinkworth SN155DA Change of use from paddock to glamping site

Cllr O Burois raised the question of drainage and how this would be dealt with. Cllr O Burois also questioned who would maintain the Brin 26 footpath. Cllr G Threlfall questioned how much noise this glamping site would generate. Cllr Parsons said that these days farmers must diversify which should be encouraged but it transpired that this was not the farmer applying. There was also concern that guests to the site would be driven down to the site on golf buggies but this could lead to problems if the fields were very wet. Cllr Millard said that the councillors should have more information before they could make a decision. Cllr Evans proposed this and Cllr Gibbs seconded the motion. The clerk will write to planning to ask for more information and an extension to be discussed at the next meeting.

203/21 **Planning decisions**

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