At the Meeting of Breaston Parish Council held on Monday the 10th of February 2025 which commenced at 7.00pm at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

Present:

Councillors Fisher, Elliott, Salt, Crannage, Mounsey, Wells, Beeching, Miller, Patrick, Buckthorpe & Parkinson
6 members of the public
Cllr Fisher in the Chair.
Cllr Fisher welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for coming.

Police Session

No information received from the beat team. Crime report for December provided by the Clerk.

Crime Statistics	**December**		**Key**	
Long Eaton Rural Area		**39**	Violent & Sexual Offences	VSO
Risley	1		Drugs	D
Breaston	15		Public Order	PO
Draycott	16		Possession of a weapon	POW
Stanton by Dale	3		Vehicle Crime	VC
Dale Abbey			Anti-Social Behaviour	ASB
Stanton Ironworks	4		Criminal Damage & Arson	CDA
Church Wilne				
ASB				
Burglary				
Violent & Sexual Offences				
CDA				
Possession of a weapon				
Robbery				
Bike Theft				
Other theft				
Public Order				
Vehicle Crime				
Drugs				
	39			
Breaston				
Albert Road	VSO	1		
Bridgefield	ASB	1		
Bridgefield	Drugs	1		
Belvoir Close	VSO	1		
The Green (Co-op)	SL	4		

The Green (Co-op)	OT	1		
Orchard Close	VSO	1		
Grosvenor Avenue	PO	1		
Harrimans Drive	VC	1		
Wilsthorpe Road	VSO	2		
Kirkfield Drive	CDA	1		
		15		

Reports from outside bodies:

Erewash Borough Council – Cllr Miller & Mills

Cllr Miller gave the following report:

- An extraordinary full council meeting called on Wednesday 12th February at Long Eaton, subject devolution, first time I have ever seen full council on a Wednesday evening!!
- GRANTS, in the past all EBC councillors could award grants to local organisations, groups and good causes, the grant system has been reinstated, value yet to be confirmed.
- The mentor and moving force in the life of actor Robert Lindsey was school master John Lalley, there is a gallery in Ilkeston Museum named after John Lalley, fifteen of John's paintings will be on display to 20th March.
- Organisations can apply for a community grant up to £1,500 from EBC, deadline for applications 16th March.
- EBC launched its early bird brown bin tax on January 27th, residents can apply at the cost of £25, up until MARCH 21ST it then goes to £37, brown bin collections resume on 24th February.
- There were two winners this year of the legacy leisure adversity award, one being Steve Webster who swam 100 miles in the pool.
- 46 new affordable homes are nearing completion in Oakley's Road Long Eaton, where the Oaklea mill once stood, this an EMH development.
- Residents can now sign up online for EBC newsletter, previously a hard copy was delivered to every household in Erewash.
- Arson attack, shopping trolleys full of cardboard were placed under the new play equipment on West Park, they then set the cardboard on fire, thankfully the equipment survived.

Derbyshire County Council – Cllr Parkinson

Devolution

Cllr Parkinson reported that DCC had requested to be included in the first tranche of the reorganisation, but they were refused, which was likely to be due to the fact that we already have an elected Mayor. There will be a further round later in the year.

Programmed Highway Maintenance

Cllr Parkinson had submitted his annual list of roads and pavements that need maintenance, many of those included were refused last year. He will report back when any decision is made.

Freedom of Derbyshire

En extraordinary meeting of the Council had resolved to give the freedom of the county to a 100yr old D Day Veteran. The presentation to take place this week.

Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr Miller

The Derbyshire Branch AGM had been held online, and a new chair had been appointed, Russell Beeching Treasurer and Kevin Miller Vice Chairman. The date for the next local meeting yet to be confirmed.

Risley Educational Trust – Cllr Beeching

Cllr Beeching reported that the Trust holds assets locally and that the income provided from rents and leases provided for the grants to local educational organisations and students.

Students can apply for grants for £600 per year towards costs of their studies. 11 new grants were awarded last year. One being secured by a medical student who travelled to Bangladesh as part of their course.

Public Session:

Residents raised concerns related to the work being undertaken on the old Westernmere School site and adjacent land. The impact on wildlife and livestock, and the lack of communication or notice from the landowners were discussed. Concern about any alterations causing further flood risk were described. Various measures had been installed in the past to prevent the houses on the Holmes Road estate from flooding from the Goldenbrook. Residents were worried that the work appeared to be the precursor to development on the land.

The Clerk reported that the landowners had been asked to clear the ditches and watercourses on their land to assist with flood alleviation. The Clerk had contacted the landowners raising residents' concerns about the work and they had responded to say that: *the works to remove waste, complete the remaining watercourse clearance and bring the site back into active management would be undertaken. This is the work being undertaken as requested many times by the PC.*

Officers from Erewash Borough Council had attended the site to ensure that trees and hedgerows that were protected had not been affected. Officers from the Environment Agency did not think that the work presented any further flood risk, however with further reports relating to the polystyrene in the water course they were planning to visit the site again this week.

The Clerk reported that residents had contacted the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust in relation to the loss of habitat and that they had suggested that hedgerows should not be removed without approval or a licence. The Clerk is investigating this further with EBC as it would seem that hedges over 30 years old that run along the route of a right of way may have protection.

192/24 Apologies for Absence –

None.

193/24 Declaration of Members Interest –

to enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none.**

194/24 Dispensations –

to report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with S31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none.**

195/24 Approval of the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 13th January

It was PROPOSED & SECONDED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 13th of January.

196/24 Correspondence

Rachel Scott the Community Health and Wellbeing Development Officer from Erewash Borough Council would like to attend the March meeting to talk about May Walking Month. Cllrs gave approval for the visit.

197/24 Clerk's Report

Large Slate Plinth

It was RESOLVED to note that whilst clearing the stores to the rear of the chapel a large slate plinth 6'6" x 2' x 1" needed to be removed. Clerk to ask for sensible offers on the Facebook and Website pages.

Co-Option – Cllr Buckthorpe

It was RESOLVED to note that the declaration of acceptance of office and Declaration of Pecuniary Interest forms had been completed and would be returned to the Returning Officer in due course.

198/24 Finance Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 5th of February 2025 at 9.45am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Summons

2. Public Session: none.

3. Present:

Cllr Beeching (Chair) Cllrs Parkinson, Mounsey, Elliott, Fisher, Wells & Patrick

Also Present:
Cllr Salt
Apologies:
Cllr Miller
4. Declaration of Members Interests:
To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **All Cllrs have an interest in relation to minute number 6.**
5. Dispensations:
To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **All Cllrs have a dispensation in relation to minute no.6.**
6. Precept for 2025/6
To note that the Clerk and Cllr Beeching had met to finalise the budget document for 2025-6 and Cllr Beeching presented the information to Cllrs. The clerk had received a brief email on the 30.01.2025 with a price for the opening, closing and cleaning of the public conveniences, what appeared to be the price for the Blind Lane facility was confirmed as the price for both blocks. A price for the collection of litter has also been requested and is still awaited. The increases in costs for services provided by the borough council were a concern as not all of the information requested had been received and therefore could only be estimated. The increase in the costs for National Insurance due to the changes announced by Government was also a considerable increase and the loss of the final Concurrent Functions Grant of £2,000 was also an impact. Savings were made on electricity at the PCMR, training and communications. Cllr Beeching proposed that later in the year he and the Clerk would carry out an audit of the energy supply and usage in Parish Buildings.
It was RESOLVED to accept the forecast spend and balanced budget for 2024/25
It was RESOLVED to accept the proposed Budget for 2025/26
Further information had been provided by the Borough Council including a further increase in costs for litter removal of £672.00
It was therefore RESOLVED to increase the precept to £134,974.71 for 2025/6.
7. Bank Signatory
It was RESOLVED to note the forms for the changes have all been completed. The Nationwide and Unity Trust changes have been completed and confirmed. The Nat West application is still ongoing with further forms completed and returned by the Clerk & Cllrs Mounsey, Patrick & Salt. Clerk made an enquiry 30.01.25 for an update with the bank and a response is awaited.
8. Bank Balances as at 31.01.2025.

Current Account	£11,133.39
Nat West Reserve Account	£16,737.73
Nationwide Reserve Account	£36,043.22
Unity Trust Reserve Account	£82,713.84
Gala Account	£ 880.87
Total	£147,509.05

9. Reconciliation Sign Off
Cllr Wells signed off the reconciliation documents and bank statements for January.
10. Insurance Renewal
It was RESOLVED to note the renewal details on the 2nd year of the three-year deal.
Renewal cost: £2,392.53 with the addition of the CCTV cover.
11. Electricity Bill
Following Cllr Fisher's enquiry into the cost of electricity for the Parish Rooms. The Clerk had provided details to Cllr Beeching who reported that the electricity provision and use at the Parish Rooms was extremely efficient, the trickle feeding of the solar panel battery was undertaken at night on the lower cost tariff and the only improvements that may be possible was a change to the

timings of the radiators which would be trialed shortly and the possible change of radiator for the wc. The installation of the solar panels showed a £700 - £800 saving per year.

12. Nat West Long Eaton Branch

Cllrs noted the correspondence reporting the proposed closure of the Long Eaton branch. In line with the issues experienced paying in cheques and cash via the post office desk at Breaston, this is not good news. The nearest branch moving forward will be Ilkeston 7 miles away. Cllr Patrick reported that Sawley Parish Council were lobbying for a banking hub to be set up in Long Eaton. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would contact the Clerk at Sawley and offer support for the campaign and investigate what else could be done.

13. Councillor's Reports

None.

The meeting closed at 10.20am

199/24 General Purposes Committee held on Wednesday the 5th of February at 10.20am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session: none.

3. Present:

Cllr Mounsey (Chair) Cllrs Wells, Beeching, Fisher, Patrick, Salt, Parkinson, & Elliott

Apologies:

Cllrs Miller, Crannage, & Buckthorpe (arrived at 10.35am)

4. Declaration of Members Interests –

to enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. – **none.**

5. Dispensations –

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none.**

6. PCMR Land Offer –

It was RESOLVED to note the contract documents and plans have been received and the Solicitor is progressing the process.

7. Repair Café – Recycling Scheme

The clerk organised the donation and the team sent a huge thank you. The first session was held on the 1st of February and was a huge success.

8. Casual Vacancy – Co-option Complete

It was RESOLVED to note that the vacancy was filled following the interviews on the 22nd of January, welcome Nick! The necessary paperwork will be completed at the Parish Council meeting on Monday evening. Clerk to investigate a training session through SLCC for the coming months.

9. Gala Update

Cllr Patrick gave an update on progress with plans for the Gala, bookings are coming in and arrangements have been made for the portable toilets to include baby changing facilities this year, the circus skills, Dako Flying Angels, Climbing Wall and fair rides are all confirmed, the clerk has submitted the road closure application, and we wait to hear from St John's Ambulance. We're not sure if the stage will be used this year and Cllr Patrick had investigated insurance possibilities for the event. Unfortunately, no one was willing to cover the event against the risk of cancellation due to the weather!

10. PCMR WC Radiator

Cllrs noted that the panel heater in the wc at the Parish Rooms whilst getting extraordinarily hot doesn't actually heat the room the result being that any heat in the office or rooms is sucked into the central cold spot in the building. Two quotations had been secured for the replacement of the heater:

S H Electrical £472.66 + vat

A Kincade Electrical £436.89 + vat
It was RESOLVED to accept the Kincade Quotation.

11. Parish & Town Liaison – Derbyshire County Council 5.3.25

To note the invitation as circulated to the next session of the Parish & Town Liaison Forum the agenda item on Devolution will be worth the trip and the marketplace is always very good. It was RESOLVED that unfortunately no one was able to attend this time.

12. Newsletter

It was RESOLVED to note that items had been received for General Purposes, Gala, Environment and the Chair's Welcome note. Further items to be passed on to the Clerk as soon as possible so that a proof could be organised with the printers. Clerk to contact the Community Forum to investigate delivery options.

13. Councillor's Reports

a) Devolution White Paper – Residents' Concerns

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk and Cllrs had been approached by a number of residents expressing concern regarding the media reports suggesting that Erewash would become part of Nottinghamshire as part of the proposed changes. The process proposed by the Government of changes to local authorities was at the very early stages and nothing concrete could be reported at this stage, the media coverage is just speculation.
Cllr Parkinson reported that an extraordinary meeting was to be held at Erewash Borough Council on the 12th of February more information relating to the meeting could be found on the Erewash Website: https://moderngov.erewash.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?MId=2486&x=1
Erewash Member of Parliament Adam Thompson had reported on the Politics Show that Erewash will remain within the ceremonial boundaries of Derbyshire. As soon as any firm information is received in relation to the proposals the Clerk would share via the usual platforms.

b) Community Forum – Car Boot

Cllr Patrick reported that the group would like to hold a further car boot sale on Duffield Close this summer a date of the 19th of July is proposed and will of course be weather and ground condition dependent as previously. Cllrs RESOLVED to accept the request.

c) Longmoor Lane Fire Reports

Cllrs Patrick, Elliott & Parkinson had all received reports relating to a fire at the weekend on the land adjacent to the cemetery, concern had been raised relating to noxious smoke and fumes. It transpired that a caravan had accidentally set alight when a nearby bonfire got out of hand, the fire brigade attended and thankfully no one was injured.

d) Charity Shop

The Clerk had received an enquiry relating to the status of the charity shop and possible new use, the Clerk to advise the enquirer to contact the land registry and local planning authority.
The meeting closed at 11.00am.

200/24 Parks & Cemeteries Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 5th of February at 11.00am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session – none.

3. Present:

Cllr Mounsey (Chair) Cllrs Beeching, Wells, Fisher, Parkinson, Salt, Patrick, Elliott & Buckthorpe.

Apologies:

Cllrs Miller, & Crannage

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – none.

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – none.

6. Risk Management –

a) Fencing Duffield Close

It was RESOLVED to note that the split hazel fencing intertwined in the hedge on Wards Lane has been knocked back into the ground by the maintenance officer and clerk.

b) Undergrowth Cemetery Boundary

It was RESOLVED to note that the Maintenance Officer reports that the ivy has grown back over and through the fence in a couple of places on the boundary with Holly Avenue, most of the growth is coming through from the garden and the MO has started to cut back the plant and will apply weedkiller wherever possible. Site to be monitored.

7. Perks Sub-Committee – Feedback.

It was RESOLVED to note the information:

- **Improved Lighting –** The replacement lantern was installed on the 3rd of February.
- **Walking Path** – The plaque has been received and will be stored until a location is agreed.
- **Memorial Benches** – the benches have been received, and Mr Fisher will install as soon as the weather improves sufficiently to construct the bases. Cllr Fisher reported that he had received a request for a further memorial bench. It was RESOLVED to advertise the remaining old benches on the east side of the park for memorial opportunity Cllr Fisher to report to the resident that they are on a waiting list.
- **New Entrance – Rectory Road -** Clerk to investigate previous quotations for the arch etc with Mrs Rowlinson, also to speak to Mr Fisher & Fox about the removal of some hedging and palisade fencing. Cllr Fisher to enquire with FC laser in relation to the archway.

8. Chapel –

Cemetery Flood Resilience Grant –

To note that the 4 contractors from the DCC list were contacted for a quotation for the works highlighted in the report. Three contractors have responded and two have sent a variety of quotations the clerk has requested further information. The Clerk discussed the possibility of the sump pump being installed when the WC works are being undertaken and Mr Fisher said it would be possible. Clerk to provide a comparison document of quote information.

Electrical Work

It was RESOLVED to note that the electrician is due on site on the 13th and 14th of February to instal the under-pew heaters.

Reopening/Further Plans

Opening Ceremony

Clerk to invite Funeral Directors, benefactor and residents to a ribbon cutting ceremony at 10am on the 26th of February.

Provision of Accessible WC.

Following the discussions in relation to the second phase of the works at the chapel the costs to provide the disabled access wc and resulting alterations to the stores are as follows:

Mr Fisher internal works and Alterations	£7,700.00
Drainstore installation of cesspit	£8,622.50 + vat
SH Electrical Associated Electrical work	£1,047.98 + vat
Total	£17,370.48

Currently we have £15,156.20 in the fund, still to be invoiced are the under-pew heaters and the work to the door to accommodate the new threshold strip and carpet runner invoice awaited (approx £220.00). with the current budget this leaves a shortfall of £4,356.52.

It was RESOLVED to proceed with phase 2. Clerk to make the necessary arrangements and speak to the benefactor about the Flood resilience grant and phase 2 work.

9. Let's Chat Seat – Cllr Fisher

Cllr Patrick has created a QR code, and the Clerk has created a webpage to link the code to. The clerk circulated wording for the plaque to Cllrs on the 22.1.25. It was RESOLVED to go ahead with the plaque and to also install one on a bench on Duffield Close. Clerk to publicise the information, once complete.

10. Cemetery Regulations – Memorial sizes

It was RESOLVED to adopt the amendments to the regulations in relation to Memorial sizes and safety regulations bringing the details in line with BRAMM recommendations.

11. Councillor's Reports

a) St Michael's Churchyard Wall – Cllr Mounsey

To RESOLVE to note the concerns raised by Cllr Mounsey in relation to the growth of moss on the northern boundary wall. Cllrs to inspect the wall and report back to the March meeting.
The meeting closed at 11.35am.

201/24 Environment Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Monday 10th February 2025 at 8.45am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session – none.

3. Present:

Cllr Elliott (Chair) Cllrs Crannage (left 10.35am), Miller, Fisher & Salt

Apologies:

Cllrs Parkinson, Wells, Buckthorpe & Patrick.

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – none.

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011- none.

6. Village Improvement Programme –

It was RESOLVED to note that Cllr Elliott has reviewed the list and confirmed that there was little improvement at any of the site, the trailer at Longmoor Lane has been removed and replaced with a bank of earth across the entrance. Cllr Miller to speak to Mr Ledger about his plans for the Litho Factory this week. Cllr Crannage raised concerns about the wall at the Grange Roofing site, no sign of use of the buildings for some considerable time Cllr Crannage to continue to monitor the wall.

7. Flood Issues–

a) Flood Action Plan Document

it was RESOLVED to note the action plan document; Cllr Elliott reviewed the current situation at the sites of main concern:

i) Land north of the Hills Road Estate, west of the Holmes Rd Estate

Concerns raised by residents regarding the clearance work being undertaken on the old Westernmere School site had been escalated to the relevant authorities, the planning team had visited the site to ensure that the protected trees and hedges were unharmed. The Derbyshire Wildlife Trust had raised concerns about the work and suggested that any removal of hedgerows required a licence. The landowner's agent had responded confirming that the work was all part of the planned clearance of the site ditches would be cleared and that they were working together with tenants on the site to ensure livestock safety, they reported that many residents had complimented them on the work. Clerk to report the polystyrene evidenced by residents to the Environment Agency. Cllr Parkinson was seeking information from Derbyshire County Council

relating to the site boundaries and the contract when the land was originally sold to the previous owner.

ii) Land north of Longmoor Lane, Holly Avenue

Landowners north of the EBC Cemetery had carried out clearance work, as requested by Derbyshire County Council however it was clear that further work was needed. Clerk to continue to chase the flood alleviation team at DCC for feedback on the situation. The highway ditch opposite the Cemetery Chapel continues to be monitored, since the work carried out last year the issues facing the cemetery chapel and Holly Avenue seem to have been resolved.

iii) Draycott Road, Marlborough Road, Belvoir Close & The Crescent

The Environment Agency are planning to carry out dredging work on the Goldenbrook to the rear of properties on the west side of Marlborough Road during the summer. They also carried out clearance work during a recent storm at the culvert under Draycott Road. The Clerk had contacted the EBC Cllrs regarding the ditch clearance on Belvoir Close and awaits a response.

iv) Poplar Rd, Beech Ave

DCC have carried out jetting of the drains in the area and report that all are running clear, however the drains cannot cope when there is any poor weather and as a result the highway floods badly at the junction of Poplar Road and Beech Avenue.

v) Risley Lane, Stevens Lane & Rectory Rd.

DCC also report that the drains have been jetted and are running clear. However, this area also doesn't cope with any poor weather conditions and as a result the highway floods on Risley Lane and runs into Rectory Road.

vi) Sawley Rd Firfield School Field

Residents report that gardens and garden buildings are affected by the Goldenbrook overtopping, they suggest that the formation of a bund on the northern side of the watercourse would prevent gardens flooding, the clerk had passed the suggestion to the teams at the Environment Agency and Derbyshire County Council flood alleviation team and awaits a response.

vii) Sawley Grange Farm, Sawley Road.

The ditches get overwhelmed resulting in property flooding, clearance work to the ditches has been carried out.

b) Flood Warning System Results

Christian Jones (Environment Agency) had provided information from the flood warning system that was circulated to Cllrs.

They had made a change to the threshold on the system in December 2023 after Storm Babet, with it now being issued when they expect the Long Eaton Breaston gauge to reach 1.81m from the previous level of 2m. If the Parish Council requires any further in-depth information from the flood warning system they will be happy to provide it.

8. Applications –

The following applications were considered by the committee, and the following recommendations were made:

ERE/0125/0015 - 94 Draycott Road - Horse Chestnut - Reduce all lateral branches by approx 2m to allow more light into the property - No Consultation for information only.

ERE/0125/0020 - 27 Firfield Avenue - Erection of single storey forward extension, installation of new bay window, erection of two storey rear extension, raising of roof ridge, loft conversion, installation of solar panels, erection of raised patio with space under to rear elevation, associated landscaping works and change of render to off-white colour, installation of air source heat pump. – The Parish Council had no objections.

ERE/0125/0021 - 9 Plackett Close - Erection of single storey rear extension -The Parish Council raised concerns regarding the loss of outlook and overshadowing for no. 7 Plackett Close with a note to the applicant to remind them of their responsibilities under the party wall act.

ERE/0125/0031 - 59 Draycott Road - Two storey rear extension – The Parish Council had no objections

ERE/0125/0044 - 59 Holly Avenue - Certificate of Lawful Development (Proposed): Extension of current dropped kerb to residential property - No Consultation for information only.
ERE/0125/0028 - 172 Longmoor Lane - Install dropped kerb at front of property – The Parish Council had no objections.
ERE/1224/0029 - 28 Poplar Road - Variation of condition 2 approved list of drawings of ERE/1022/0013 (to add single storey extension to north side elevation) The Parish Council had no objections.
East Midlands Gateway Phase 2 (EMG2) - Statutory Consultation from 3.2.25 – 17.03.25 - Proposals for a second phase of SEGRO Logistics Park East Midlands Gateway (EMG1) which is an existing nationally significant infrastructure development comprising a rail freight interchange and warehousing on land in the vicinity of Junction 24 of the M1 motorway to the north of East Midlands Airport. - The Parish Council had no comment
ERE/0125/0043 - 7 Festival Avenue - Single storey extension to front and rear of dwelling - The Parish Council had no objections.
ERE/0125/0047 - 26 Wards Lane - Modular rear extension and porch addition – The Parish Council had no objections.

9. Decisions –

The following decisions were made by Erewash Borough Council:
ERE/1224/0013 - 9 Sawley Road - Erect single storey front extension, erect detached garden building – The Parish Council had no objections - Approved with conditions 29.01.2025.

10. Additional Planning & Enforcement Issues:

a) Field Close unauthorised dwelling.

It was RESOLVED to note that an update was promised by the planning officer at EBC at the end of January, the clerk has chased for an update 27.1.25 the team were currently extremely short staffed with no enforcement officer as soon as it was possible an update would be provided.

b) Land Use adjacent to no 10 Holly Avenue

It was RESOLVED to note that the planning team are aware of the case and will respond as soon as possible. Cllr Miller reported that in a recent storm the fence had been blown down and he had spoken to the contractor who was fixing it, the gate was to be installed in the next 2 weeks.

11. Goldenbrook Blockage

It was RESOLVED to note the Clerk contacted Erewash Borough Council and the Environment Agency and that they (EA) had agreed to arrange for the removal of the blockage.

12. Correspondence

It was RESOLVED to note the visit to the office of Mr Flint and the proposed plans for 26 Wards Lane, which were now included in the official consultation list.

13. Derbyshire County Council – Developer Contributions Protocol Consultation.

It was RESOLVED to note the information circulated by the Clerk and that the Parish Council had no comments on the contents of the report.

14. Councillor's Reports

Cllr Salt suggested that the Biodiversity Plan should be reviewed at the March meeting.
The meeting closed at 10.55am.

202/24 Highways & Lighting Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 5th February at 11.35am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons –

2. Public Session – none.

3. Present:

Cllr Wells (Chair) Cllrs Beeching, Mounsey, Fisher, Parkinson, Salt, Patrick, Elliott & Buckthorpe.

Apologies –

Cllrs Miller, & Crannage

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – none.

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011- none.

6. Potholes/Street Lights/Overhanging Vegetation –

a) Highways Report: Potholes on the Highway

It was RESOLVED to note the contents of the attached report.

7. Longmoor Lane/Draycott Road SIDS

To note that the posts for the 4 sites have been installed during the week commencing 27th January. The Clerk continues to chase the construction team at DCC regarding the installation of the devices.

8. Mill Hill Lane Venue Issues –

a) Venue change of use - Planning Enforcement Ref: 121533

It was RESOLVED to note that the senior planning officer reports that the team are still without an Enforcement Officer. The role is being advertised at present (4th time). As before, cases are being picked up by the Planners as resources permit, but this is obviously leading to delays as they prioritise planning applications. They are currently short of a couple of Officers at the moment too and will provide an update just as soon as they can. Cllr Parkinson reported that the process once commenced could be a lengthy one with an invite to submit an application in the first instance, if no application is received then a decision would be made on whether the case merited enforcement action, either way this could take months.

9. Speeding on the Sustrans Path

It was RESOLVED to note that the posters have been displayed on the path at the Navigation entrance and at the crossroads to Sails Farm.

10. Rights of Way Minor Maintenance Agreement 2024/5

It was RESOLVED to note that payment is awaited. Invoice terms 28 days deadline 30.01.25

11. Wildflower Verge Licence Update

It was RESOLVED to note that DCC requested a map of the site and reported that the application had been approved. Clerk sent map 29.11.24 and chased for an update on the 3.1.25. no response as yet.

12. Christmas Lights

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk continues to chase the contractor in relation to the status of the current lights and to organise a site meeting to discuss possible improvements.

13. Councillor's Reports

None.

The meeting closed at 11.55am.

203/24 Highways & Lighting DCC Reports Update

Highways Report Feb 25 Update			
Location	**Problem**	**Reported**	**Case Number**
Willoughby Cl/Wilsthorpe Rd Being acted on by highways under enforcement process. Has been flagged that the PC have chased but is progressing with the landowner through the process (frustrating I know!)	Overhanging hedge Relevant landowner has I understand cut this back partially in the past (summer) but debated how far they can cut back without killing the hedge, but obviously the need to keep the footway clear. Highways Hub manager is discussing this with the local highways manager and will take any further action as needed. Photo taken on 27.1.25 the hedge is still clearly well out over the pavement when photographed from the east. Photos sent by inspector showed the hedge from the west which made it look much better!	17.7.23	Cllr Parkinson Reported to DCC Case no 533346699
Longmoor Lane considered STW damaged some drainage connections, and we are continuing work with them for these to be repaired. The street works inspector is still acting on this and will do so until it's resolved.	Sunken road previously reported still not repaired causes large puddle which drowns pedestrians when vehicles unavoidably drive through it With Cadent for resolution if not resolved (I can't see the street works system as it's a government utilities system) Sent Email to CC 6.1.25 & 28.1.25 querying who is responsible. (9.2.25) So sorry for the delay in replying. This is back with Severn Trent, and I spoke to my contact there on it, and they'd accidentally closed the case. So, they've reopened it and are liaising with the local NRSWA inspector on our side – so hoping that's progress to getting it finally sorted!	21.11.23	FS Case 563622017 FS Case 460130607 Cadent Ref No: 10727156
Poplar Road Has been inspected and relevant enforcement action	Overgrown Hedges No further updates, but understand it's resolved? If not, let me know and I can relog.	Andrew Kay/ NO 18.4.24	FS-Case-606925307

in progress with relevant landowners	Still think some of these are outstanding certainly 1 Poplar Rd on Wilsthorpe Road. Photo> 		
Bulls Head Car park Entrance CC to flag with local inspector to ensure it's been resolved and job for new one	Bollard knocked over Understand this was removed and coned/made safe. Job raised for a new one, which will be done when possible (currently prioritising potholes)	LB/NO 13.6.24	FS-Case-622643516
the jitty between Meadow Close and Bourne Square being dealt with by highways and local inspector. Tree report underway.	Trees overhanging the path and roof of 33 Bourne Square – thought to be on the highway being dealt with by highways and local inspector. Tree report underway. Will then be actioned, as necessary.	RS/NO 2.7.24	FS-Case-627453357
Footpath 14 CC to chase – currently with structures team the footbridge issue, fp 14. It's like a plank over a soggy area as opposed to a formal bridge structure over a watercourse I understand. I understand from speaking to the relevant officers the landowner is querying whether this is the correct ROW and so has moved the wood beam. The Rights of Way team are discussing this	Broken Bridge As before/to the right – will be resolved by the ROW team.	MF/NO 19.9.24	FS-Case-648322827

with the landowner and will reach a resolution as soon as they can. Latest response: So apparently that middle plank that you'd walk on has been moved to where others think the ROW should accurately be. So it can be put back – just needs to be agreed re the definitive right of way line			
Wilsthorpe Road CC chasing update on this one	Damaged Bollard Job raised for replacement	GE/NO 25.9.24	FS-Case-649794000
Rectory Road	Light on during day 85637	PW/NO 18.12.24	**FS-Case-671465798**
Draycott Road Enforcement process underway with landowner	Overhanging Hedge As before – will be resolved through this process if not already cut.	NO 26.9.24	FS-Case-649941632
Draycott Road Being dealt with by street lighting	Light on during the day column no 7102 Resolved by street lighting	NO 10.10.24	FS-Case-653502176
Horse Bridge Network Rail Report 31.12.24. that work has been scheduled	General maintenance moss and weeds very slippery Not DCC	RFO/NO 23.12.24	Network Rail Ref: 241223-000031
Heath Gardens	Light column 92386 on during the day	GE/NO 02.01.25	FS-Case-674904562
Wilsthorpe Road	Light on speed limit sign 82677	GE/NO 02.01.25	FS-Case-674909239
Sawley Road Level Crossing	Length of time the barrier is down enquiry	MD/NO 21.01.25	Network Rail Ref: 250121-000056 Network Rail asked for additional information and Mr Debbage is going to make notes and come back to the Clerk.
Gregory Avenue	Mud all over the road	GR/NO 29.1.25	FS-Case-682784700

Stevens Lane near to the junction with Shirley Crescent	Pothole that's been previously filled, the repair material has degraded and is almost all out	NO 30.01.25	FS-Case-683014332
Stevens Lane between the junction with Draycott road and Blind Lane	The road surface here has been patched many times, patches are degrading, the condition of the road is very poor causing noise nuisance and trip hazard for elderly pedestrians, who need to cross here	NO 30.01.25	FS-Case-683015205
Lawrence Avenue	Large Pothole	IF/NO 6.2.25	FS-Case-685184813
Blind Lane	Lamp 82022	NO 10.02.25	FS-Case-686428322

204/24 Payments & Receipts February 2025

Payee	**Description**	**Amount**
Npower	Final Statement for Christmas Lights Electricity	0.00
Various	Staff Costs February	5,122.63
Clear Insurance	Parish Council Insurance 2025-6	2,392.53
Breaston Repair Café	Contribution to Recycling Project	80.00
Nat West	Bank Charges December	13.92
Yu Energy	MUGA Electricity January	29.68
Yu Energy	MUGA Electricity January	15.82
David Ogilvie Engineering	4 x Memorial Benches for Perks Park	3,841.20
Mr Christmas Tree	Christmas Tree 2024	762.00
Leisure Lites	Christmas Lights Installation & Removal	2,376.00
Sterilizing Services	Legionella testing January	42.70
Nat West	Bank Charges January	13.30
Fox Grounds Maintenance	Grounds Maintenance December	1,472.51
EDF	Electricity PCMR January	326.74
S Fisher	Alterations to Chapel Doors and installation of threshold strip	226.00
Total		**16,715.03**
Income		
Payer	**Description**	
Nationwide	Interest January	59.59
Nat West	Interest January	21.80
Mrs P Musson	Excl/Int/Mem Ashes 22A	1,170.00
HMRC	VAT Refund	5,719.62
A W Lymn	Addl Insc Doyle NF11	92.00
Co-op Funerals	Inv 978 Reavey E12 int	110.00
Total		**7,173.01**
Gala Expenditure		
Payee	**Description**	
EBay	Fencing Pins	36.98
The Office Way	Gala Banners (2 replacements)	68.64
The Office Way	Gala Banners Artwork	9.00
Nat West	Bank Charges December	1.40
Vegetable Stu	Circus Skills Gala 5.5.25	365.00
Acclimbatize	Climbing Wall Gala 5.5.25 Deposit	120.00
Total		**601.02**

Gala Income		
Payer	**Description**	
Y Smithson	Gala Stall Booking	40.00
J Ashman	Gala Food Stall Booking	75.00
J Morris	Gala Food Stall Booking	75.00
K Beighton	Gala Stall Booking	40.00
A Swain Long Eaton Self Help	Gala Stall Booking Charity	30.00
1st Breaston Scout Group	Gala Stall Booking Charity	30.00
A Simpson	Gala Stall Booking	40.00
N Wild	Gala Stall Booking Charity	30.00
Total		**360.00**
Income Grand Total		**7,533.01**
Expenditure Grand Total		**17,316.05**

It was proposed and seconded that the above accounts for February be accepted.

205/24 Public Questions

None.

206/24 Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for 7pm on Monday March the 10th.
The Meeting Closed at 8.15pm

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10.3.25