

BRIXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

***Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 8 September 2009 at 9.00p.m.
in the Olive Branch, Library/Community Centre, Spratton Road, Brixworth***

Present: Councillors: I Barratt (Chairman), C Bament, R Chattaway,
Mrs A Gunnet, M lacey, R Low, R Monk, S Pointer and Mrs E Wiig

In Attendance: Mrs J Macken – Parish Clerk

09/684 Apologies for absence

Members apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr S Gilkes, Cllr E Nunn and Cllr F Wiig.

09/685 Declaration of Interest on Agenda Items

Cllr E Wiig declared a personal interest – Member of another Local Authority and Member of the District Council Planning Committee.

09/686 To Discuss Supporting the Proposed Exchange Visit of Delegates from Brixworth and Comune Di Castel San Pietro Romano in Italy

The Chairman referred to the last Parish Council meeting, where under matters for report only this item had been discussed. In order for the Council to make a decision this extraordinary meeting had been arranged.

Cllr F Wiig and County Cllr C Millar had been invited to visit Castel San Pietro Romano and had agreed, at their own expense, to explore the feasibility of twinning with the village. It would then be expected to reciprocate a return visit, which could mean that there would be a cost implication for the hospitality for the guests. It was expected that Councillors would pay their own expenses.

Following a lengthy discussion and vote it was resolved to decline the visit now and canvass support from local village organisations and businesses and gather a package of information on the village and its facilities and amenities in order to ascertain support. The Council would exchange the information to Castel San Pietro Romano in the Spring next year.

The Clerk reported that she had received interest from four people to be involved with a Twinning Committee. It was resolved to form a Twinning working group, terms of reference to be agreed at the first meeting. Members and volunteers to be advised of the date of the first meeting. It was agreed to hold the meetings in the Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm