

Minutes of the Braintree Parish Council held on
Monday 7th October 1974 at the Women's Institute
at 7:30pm.

Mrs. B.M. Bell

Present Mr. C.H. Bankham in the Chair, Mrs. A. Pollock, J. Kavanagh
and J. Skene

Apologies were received from Mrs. S.C. Bacon and Mrs. M.
Skene.

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th September were
read and approved.

Matters arising

- (i) The Clerk said he had not heard from
the Divisical Surveyor. It was resolved to write to
the County Surveyor.
- (ii) The Clerk reported that the T.V.S.C. had
put forward the name 'Field' to the Boundary Commission
for the electoral ward consisting of Braintree and
Braintree. The Council approved.

Licence.

The licence permitting the 250+ to use the
new recreation grounds was signed.

The Clerk said that he thought that
it was the Council's decision not to require
the 250+ club to pay the Council's legal fees.
The Council decided to leave the clause regarding
the 250+ club to pay all fees in the agreement.

The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Leigh
the secretary of the 250+ club explaining their
financial position. The situation being somewhat

critical. The Council decided that they could not give the 21st Club any further grant but the Clerk was instructed as a matter of urgency whether the Council was permitted to loan the Club any money and if so, whether there were regulations governing fees and interest. The Council wondered if a bridging loan could be arranged until the completion of the building when grants totalling £1907 would become payable.

5. The Bardsfield Association

The Council discussed the proposed formation of a village association to look after its future. The Council thought that in general the idea was very sound but the Clerk thought it would be made clear to the Association that the powers of the Parish Council were limited and that they were only used on such matters as planning and Council House.

It was decided to ask the Post Office if there was any possibility of exhibiting planning application notices in the shop. The Chairman read a letter from the M. P. regarding planning in the village. The Chairman pointed out that the Council were only asked for their comments and not could make any binding decisions. He also pointed out that all planning applications were used in the Monthly Advertiser. The Clerk said that the only way

in which it may be possible for the Council, and other members to have more say was to have the village made a Conservation Area. The Clerk was instructed to find out if this was possible.

Any Other Business

(i) The Clerk circulated the Parish Council Review.

(ii) Mr Rowman and Mr Colbold rehooked on the ~~the~~ A.G.M. of the Hampshire Association of Parish Councils. Among the matters discussed were worked soils, planning ahead, delays, Tree Preservation Orders, hedges, trees and chok spraying. They both agreed it was a very interesting and worthwhile day.

(iii) Mr Skeind said that there was a hot hole in the road outside the shop of that marked. The Clerk was instructed to inform the Divisional Surveyor.

(iv) Mr Skeind also raised the question of bad white lines at Eppokilly. It was rehooked that was outside the parish and the Clerk was asked to write to the Clerk of Romsey Town Parish.

(v) Mr Colbold raised the question of the beech not mowing on hills and also reports that it did not always start from the ground when it should. The Clerk was instructed to take the matter up with Hants and Dorset in an "engaging manner."

(vi) The Clerk read a financial estimate and

value - value for the securing of Wickhamstead
Barnfield. The scheme if carried out on
value would be completed in 1978/9.

(vi). The Council discussed the possibility
of saving the fund. They all agreed that
that it was worth doing. The Clerk
said as soon as he received the book he
would circulate it.

There being no further business
the Chairman closed the meeting.

C. H. Sattam.