

Present: Mrs. B. M. Bell in the Chair: Messrs. Cobbold, Corry  
Steiner and Watkins.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 15th November, 1976 were read and approved.
  
2. Matters arising:
  - a) The Clerk reported that he had found out from Mrs. Sleeman the dates of the future Planning Meetings and after a discussion it was agreed that the next three meetings of the Parish Council would be as follows:  
Monday 10th January, 1977 (Sub-Committee)  
Monday 14th February, 1977 (Full Council)  
Monday 14th March, 1977 (Sub-Committee)
  - b) The Clerk reported that he had not heard from Mr. Morgan regarding the Pond Cottage pond or the War Memorial. The Clerk was asked to write to him again and chase the matter up.
  
3. Correspondence:
  - a) The Clerk said that he had received a letter from the T.V.D.C. Financial Dept., asking him to submit the estimates for the year 1977/78. The Clerk said that he thought that a figure of £800 would be sufficient for the next financial year and that a further £220 would be needed this year. The Council approved this and also gave their approval to the Clerk drawing a precept for balance required this year.
  - b) The Clerk read a letter from Mr. Merridale saying he would be pleased to come to one of the meetings of the Parish Council and it was decided to ask him to attend on Monday 10th January.
  
4. Recreation Ground:
  - a) The Clerk reported that the swings had still not been erected as the faulty part had not been replaced. He also reported that the equipment which could be erected would be put up soon.

- b) There was no further news regarding the fencing and no reply had been received from the Football Club. There was a general discussion about the Football Club.

5. The Clerk read a precis of the informal minutes that had been recorded at the meeting held to discuss the Queens Silver Jubilee on the 6th December.

There was a general discussion about the proposals which everybody approved.

6. Any other Business:

- a) The Clerk rendered an account from Messrs. Warren & Son in the sum of £4.20 and a cheque for this amount was drawn and signed.
- b) The Clerk had received a complaint about topless dancers appearing at the Braishfield Social Club. The Council resolved there was no action they could take in this matter.
- c) It was decided to erect a notice close to the pond forbidding the dumping of rubbish and litter that anyone seeing people doing this could point to the notice with some authority.
- d) Mr. Watkins reported on a recent meeting of the Test Valley Association of Parish Councils when the matters discussed had been the Queens Silver Jubilee; Rights of Way and Footpaths.
- e) It was decided to take up with Mr. Morgan, the Divisional Surveyor the question of the water in Newport Lane. With the cold weather this was not freezing and a recent accident had taken place there.
- f) It was reported that Mr. and Mrs. Freeman who used to live at Manor Cottage had left the seat with Mr. Saunders for repair and when this had been completed it was to be given to the village. The Clerk was asked to find out about the repair and the condition of the seat and the matter of siting the seat will be discussed at the next meeting.

- g) Mr. Corry raised the question of the Braishfield flag and after a general discussion about the motif it was decided that Mr. Corry should do some more research together with the Braishfield Village Association and the matter would be discussed at a later date.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

..... B. M. Bell ..... Chairman

..... 14/2/77 ..... Date