

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Braishfield Parish Council held at the Womens' Institute Hall, Braishfield, on Monday, 13th April 1981, at 6.30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. B. M. Bell (Chairman), and Messrs. I. H. Chisholm, G. Shipton, J. A. Stewart and P. Watkins.

177. MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 1981, and of the special meeting held on 6th April 1981, be approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

178. MR. A. E. COBBOLD

Further to minute 91 (10.11.80) and to a number of informal discussions held since that date, it was reported that a silver tray, suitably inscribed, had been purchased and would be formally presented to Mr. Cobbold at the Annual Parish Meeting. The presentation was to commemorate thirty three years loyal service by Mr. Cobbold.

Resolved that the account of Underhill House, in the sum of £27.71, for the supply and engraving of the tray, be paid.

179. THE MOUNTBATTEN MEMORIAL TRUST

Arising from minute 155 (9.3.81), the Clerk submitted a letter from the District Auditor confirming that a financial contribution to this Trust would classify as allowable expenditure under the provisions of Section 137 of the Local Government Act, 1972. This information had been transmitted to the Trustees. It was understood, however, that there was an element of doubt as to whether the Youth Hostel project would proceed.

Resolved that the question of whether or not to make a contribution to the Trust be deferred pending further information from the Trustees.

180. RECREATION GROUND - CHILDRENS PLAY EQUIPMENT

The Clerk submitted a letter, dated 23rd March, from Charles Wickteed and Company enclosing the report of their engineer on the condition of the playground equipment.

A letter dated 10th April, was also received from the Village Hall Management Committee apologising for the fact that the see-saw had been removed during the construction of drainage works, but would be replaced as soon as possible.

Resolved that the positions be noted.

181. LORRIES - PROPOSED INCREASE IN MAXIMUM WEIGHT

Further to minute 158 (9.3.81) a letter was submitted, dated 17th March, from Sir David Price, M.P., together with a letter from Kenneth Clarke, M.P., Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department of Transport.

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182. TVS 3410 - SIDE PORCH: PENDLE COTTAGE, BRAISHFIELD - D. ROE

Resolved that no objection be raised to this proposed development.

183. BOROUGH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Clerk submitted minutes of meetings of the Planning and Development Committee held on 4th March 1981, and of the Southern Area Planning Sub-Committee held on 24th March 1981, together with details of decisions taken under delegated powers by the Chief Planning Officer, as set out in the schedule for the period commencing 24th March 1981.

184. HOUSING - SHORT TERM LETTING SCHEME

A letter was submitted from the Borough Council's Chief Housing Officer inviting information on houses which might be utilised under this scheme. Any person aware of house owners with empty properties who might be interested in such a scheme was invited to advise the Principal Housing Officer.

185. TREES - COMMON HILL ROAD

Further to minute 150 (9.2.81), the Clerk submitted a reply dated 9th March 1981, from the County Estates Officer explaining the arrangements made for the planting of these trees and stating that he could not undertake to consult the Parish Council on tree planting proposals.

186. REVIEW OF PRINCIPAL AREA BOUNDARIES

A letter dated 26th March was submitted from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, making reference to a review requested by the Test Valley Borough Council affecting the Parishes of Kings Somborne and Crawley.

187. BRAISHFIELD FLOWER SHOW

Resolved that the request of the Horticultural Branch of the Village Association to use the recreation ground on 25th July, for the annual Flower Show, be approved, and that the Football Club be advised of the date of this event.

188. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS

The following documents were submitted:-

- (a) Bulletin 118;
- (b) Local Council Review - Spring 1981 edition.

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189. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Resolved:-

(1) that the following accounts be paid:-

- (a) Hampshire County Council, second instalment of grant for village hall: £2,500.00;
- (b) Hampshire Association of Parish Councils - subscription 1981/82: £22.00;
- (c) Hampshire Chronicle - advertisement re: Annual Parish Meeting: £4.08.

(2) that the sum of £2,500 be transferred from the deposit account to the current account.

190. PARISH COUNCIL - CASUAL VACANCY

The Clerk reported that he had been notified by the Borough Council that the costs incurred in the recent election were £192.99 and that this sum would be deducted from the Parish Council precept.

191. EUROPEAN MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

A letter was received from Mottisfont Parish Council stating that it intended to invite Mr. Basil de Ferranti to speak on the role of rural areas in the E.E.C. Parishioners of Braishfield were invited to attend this proposed meeting.

Resolved that the letter be submitted to the Annual Parish Meeting.

192. FOOTPATH NO. 9

Further to minute 174 (9.3.81) the Chairman submitted a letter from a parishioner expressing concern at the "urbanisation" of this footpath.

The Parish Council was sympathetic with this sentiment, but pointed out that the steps were provided for safety reasons and that the resurfacing of the footpath was at the request of a parishioner. It was not intended that other footpaths be improved to this standard, but the one in question was used extensively by parishioners.

193. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Resolved that the Council's appreciation be conveyed to the County Divisional Surveyor for having provided the hardstanding by the telephone kiosk and for tidying up the corner by the Church Rooms.

194. TEST VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS

Mr. P. Watkins reported upon his attendance at the meeting of the Association on 19th March.

Resolved that the Council's appreciation be extended to Mr. Watkins for his attendance at the meeting and for his report on the proceedings.

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195. BUS STOP - CROOKHILL

With reference to minute 171 (9.3.81), it was reported that the Southern Water Authority had drawn attention to the fact that it should be consulted if any permanent structure was to be built at this bus stop as it would be necessary to protect accessibility to the water main which ran below the hardstanding.

196. CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - BAR-B-Q

Resolved that the request to use the recreation ground for this event on 16th May, be approved and that the football club be informed of this arrangement.

.....*G. Shpton*..... Chairman  
.....12.5.81..... Date