

Minutes of the Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council held on 10th September, 1984 at the Village Hall, Braishfield. (7.30 p.m. until 9.20 p.m.)

PRESENT: P. Watkins (Chairman); G. Shipton and J. Stewart; and Councillor J. Wyss (Borough Council representative). (An apology for absence was received from Councillor Miss P. Saunders).

34. MINUTES.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th July, 1984 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

35. TREES OVERHANGING FOOTWAY ADJOINING RECREATION GROUND.

The Clerk reported that the Planning Sub-Committee of the Test Valley Borough Council had raised no objection to the trimming of the trees on the Braishfield Road frontage of the recreation ground.

RESOLVED that arrangements be made for the necessary trimming to be carried out.

36. TEST VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS -- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

RESOLVED that Councillors Shipton and Stewart be nominated to attend the above meeting to be held on Thursday, 13th September, 1984.

37. ROMSEY AREA RECREATION STUDY.

The Committee received the above report which had been prepared by consultants for the Test Valley Borough Council. Particular consideration was given to the proposals for the use of Casbrook Common to accommodate minority sports such as motorcycle scrambling, clay pidgeon shooting and model aircraft flying.

RESOLVED that the District Council representative investigate the likely timescale for the submission of comments on the Study.

38. PLANNING MATTERS.

- (i) Southern Area Planning Sub-Committee - 4th September, 1984.

The agenda for the meeting of the above Sub-Committee was considered and particular note taken of the matters contained therein which related to Braishfield. A copy of the Chief Planning Officer's report on planning application TVS.3905/1 which related to the construction of a replacement dwelling at Fernhill Farm, Braishfield was circulated. It was reported at the meeting that the Sub-Committee had agreed to the Chief Planning Officer's recommendations to refuse this application.

RESOLVED that the position be noted.

39. HIGHWAY MATTERS.

(i) Signpost near Wheatsheaf Inn.

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from J.R. Phillips and Son expressing their appreciation for the new signpost incorporating Slackstead and enquiring whether they could make a contribution to the Parish Council for the work carried out. Consideration was also given to the possible inclusion of "Slackstead" to the signpost adjacent to the War Memorial.

RESOLVED that further consideration be given to the alteration to the signpost at the War Memorial at a subsequent meeting and that J.R. Phillips and Son be informed that the Parish Council would welcome any contribution they were prepared to make.

(ii) Jermyns Lane/Braishfield Road Crossroads.

The Council received a letter from the Braishfield Village Association requesting the Parish Council to approach the Divisional Surveyor with a view to interim improvements being carried out at the junction to improve road safety. A sum had been included in the current County financial programme for the improvement of the layout of the junction.

RESOLVED that the District Councillor be requested to pursue the matter with the District Council and the County Council with a view to the improvement works being carried out as soon as possible.

(iii) Car Parking at Dog and Crook.

RESOLVED that Whitbread Wessex be informed of the Parish Council's concern at the inadequate parking facilities at the Dog and Crook Public House and of the increasing traffic hazard caused by vehicles parking in the highway outside the premises.

40. VILLAGE POND.

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Braishfield Village Association setting out the names of their representatives on the Village Pond Sub-Committee.

RESOLVED that Messrs. M. Allison, A. Light and D. Baseley be appointed members of the Sub-Committee and that Councillor Stewart make the necessary arrangements for an early meeting of the Sub-Committee.

41. RECREATION GROUND.

The Chairman indicated that he was pursuing the possibility of the County Council continuing to cut the recreation ground.

RESOLVED that the position be noted.

42. ALLOTMENTS - PROVISION OF WATER SUPPLY.

RESOLVED that consideration of the provision of a water supply to the allotments be again deferred to enable the views of all members of the Parish Council to be taken into consideration.

43. NOISE NUISANCE.

The Chairman referred to the noise nuisance which had been caused by the use of heavy agricultural machinery at Pucknall Farm for continual 24 hour periods and to the discussions he had had with the Borough Council's Chief Environmental Health Officer. He also reported on the action which had been taken by the Environmental Health Department in an effort to reduce the problems which had been caused.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the Council's Chief Environmental Health Officer be requested to confirm that the Borough Council would require the landowner to adhere to conditions which would reduce the likelihood of noise nuisance should any similar work be proposed in the future; and
- (2) That the Parish Council's appreciation be conveyed to the staff of the Environmental Health Department for their efforts during the current noise problems.

44. BUS SHELTER.

Concern was expressed about the untidy state of the bus shelter.

RESOLVED that consideration be given at the next meeting to the possibility of seeking a local interested person who would be willing to tidy the shelter on a regular basis.

45. EX GRATIA PAYMENT.

RESOLVED that an ex gratia payment of £20 be paid to M. Sherwood, the previous Clerk, in recognition of the work he carried out after 30th June, 1984.

46. CLERK'S SALARY AND EXPENSES.

RESOLVED that the salary of the Clerk up to 9th September, 1984 in the sum of £57.70 together with expenses to date of £7.94 be paid.

*W. Matthews*