

Minutes of the Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council held on 12th November, 1984 at the Village Hall, Braishfield. (7.30 p.m. until 9.55 p.m.)

PRESENT: P. Watkins (Chairman); I. Chisholm, Mrs. P. Saunders, G. Shipton and J. Stewart.
Councillor J. Wyss (Borough Council representative)

65. MINUTES.

RESOLVED that the minutes held on 8th October, 1984 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject

- (1) To the addition of the words "for heavy goods vehicles" after "directional signs" in line 9 of minute 54; and
- (2) To the addition of the word "salary" in line 1 of minute 64.

66. MEMBERSHIP OF PARISH COUNCIL

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Borough Secretary and Solicitor confirming that he would recommend the Borough Council to increase the representation of the Parish Council to seven members. He indicated that the increase in membership would have to take effect from the next elections in 1987.

67. NOISE NUISANCE

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter of apology from the owner of Pucknell Farm, Braishfield for the inconvenience caused to residents of the village while contractors carried out agricultural work on the farm.

68. PARKING ON GRASS VERGE

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter complaining about the parking of vehicles on the grass verge opposite Tiffany Cottage, Braishfield Road.

RESOLVED that the Chairman investigate the matter further.

69. TEST VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL SOUTHERN AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

The Parish Council noted the contents of the agenda paper relating to the meeting of the above Committee held on 6th November, 1984 and in particular those matters relating to Braishfield.

70. TEST VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS

RESOLVED -

- (1) That Messrs. Shipton and Stewart attend the next meeting of the Association to be held on 15th November, 1984; and
- (2) That the Chairman attend a meeting convened by the

Mottisfont Parish Council to discuss speed limits in villages at the Village Hall, Mottisfont on 21st November, 1984.

71. FENCE AT MEGANA ROAD

The Chairman reported that he had investigated a complaint concerning the erection of a fence in Megana Road. It was concluded that the fence would not have required planning approval

RESOLVED that no further action be taken.

72. FLOODING - PAYNES HAY ROAD

RESOLVED that the Divisional Surveyor be informed of the continuing problem of drainage in Paynes Hay Road, Braishfield and in particular the recent flooding caused by an exceptionally heavy rainfall.

73. BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE SIGN

The Clerk reported that the Divisional Surveyor had indicated that he would be prepared to move the village sign at the southern approach to the village to the edge of existing development but that if this work was undertaken outside the normal maintenance programme a charge of approximately £60 would be made.

RESOLVED that authority be sought from the Divisional Surveyor for the Parish Council to carry out the work in moving the village sign.

74. VILLAGE POND

Mr. Stewart reported on a meeting of the Pond Sub-Committee attended by Miss Smith of the Test Valley Planning Department. He circulated a note of the meeting which set out the actions which it was suggested the Parish Council might pursue to commence work on the scheme and achieve additional grant aid. It was stressed that evidence of ownership of the pond would be required before any start on the project could be made. The Clerk referred to a letter he had received from the County Planning Officer concerning the availability of the grant which had been approved by the County Council towards the scheme.

RESOLVED that the Clerk ascertain the measures to be taken to vest ownership of the pond in the Parish Council.

75. RECREATION GROUND

The Chairman reported that he had met representatives of the County Education Department concerning the cutting of the recreation ground by the County Council in return for use of the ground by the adjoining primary school. He had requested a total of 12 cuts during the year together with the continued annual payment of £40. He indicated that he had consulted the Head Teacher of the school about the proposals he had suggested. The Chairman reported that he was awaiting a reply from the County Council.

76. BUS SHELTER AND LITTER BIN

Further consideration was given to the provision of a litter bin at the bus shelter and the renewal of the bin near the entrance to the primary school. It had been suggested by a resident that the litter bin adjoining the bus stop near the War Memorial was little used and could be moved to the bus shelter. Mr. Stewart reported that the youth club had indicated that they might be prepared to undertake the tidying of the shelter although further consideration of the matter by the club would have to be deferred until the new year.

RESOLVED that the Chairman be authorised to obtain two new litter bins of the steel sack holder type to be installed at the bus shelter and at the entrance to the primary school.

77. AMPFIELD WOODS

The Chairman reported on discussions he had had with the Chairman of Ampfield Parish Council concerning the shooting rights in Ampfield Wood. It had been reported that shooting had recently taken place in the woods and members expressed concern at the danger of this practice particularly as public footpaths ran through the area.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council support any representations or objections made by the Ampfield Parish Council concerning the dangers of shooting in Ampfield Woods.

78. TRANSFER FROM DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

RESOLVED that the transfer of the sums of £300 and £800 from the deposit account to the current account be authorised.

79. CLERK'S SALARY AND EXPENSES

RESOLVED that the Clerk's salary in the sum of £28.85 together with expenses totalling £6.34 to date.

80. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN BOARD - REPAYMENT

RESOLVED that approval be given for the repayment to the Public Works Loan Board of the next instalment of the loan for the construction of the Village Hall in the sum of £777.79.

Watkins