Minutes of the Meeting of Braishield Parish Council held on 14th January, 1985 at the Village Hall, Braishfield. (7.30 p.m. until 8.40 p.m.)

PRESENT: I. Chisholm, Mrs. P. Saunders, G. Shipton and J. Stewart.

(Apologies for absence were received from P. Watkins and J. Wyss (Borough Council representative))

93. CHAIRMAN.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, Councillor J. Stewart took the Chair for the meeting.

94. MINUTES.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 10th December, 1984 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

95. HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY - USE OF RECREATION GROUND.

RESOLVED that approval be given for the use of the recreation ground by the Braishfield Horticultural Society for their annual Fete on 20th July, 1985.

96. BUS STOP AND LITTER BIN.

The Clerk referred to a letter he had received from Mr. A. Lalonde requesting that if the litter bin was not to be moved then the bin and the bus stop be repositioned closer to the fence. He also referred to damage caused to the bus shelter.

RESOLVED that Mr. Lalonde's comments be noted and that they be taken into account when the matter is reviewed in the summer period.

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

The Parish Council noted the contents of the agenda papers relating to the meeting of the above Committee to be held on 15th January, 1985 and in particular to those matters relating to Braishfield.

98. VILLAGE POND.

Consideration was given to a letter received from the County Secretary confirming that the pond was not in the ownership of the County Council and that as Highway Authority they would not have any objections to the proposed improvement and landscaping works. In addition, the County Secretary had set out the steps to be taken by the Parish Council if they were to claim a possessory title to the pond which included local residents making sworn statements to the effect that the Parish Council had undertaken work on the pond during the last twelve years.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the contents of the letter be noted and that enquiries be made of local inhabitants with a view to the necessary statements being made; and
- (2) That the sum of £57.50 be paid to R.J.H. Ltd. in respect of interim improvement works carried out to the pond.

99. RECREATION GROUND.

The Clerk reported that the County Surveyor's department had indicated that it was likely that they would be prepared to undertake the cutting of the recreation ground grass on a regular basis. The current charge for the service was £10 per hour and the normal schedule included 16 cuts each year between March and September.

RESOLVED that the County Surveyor be requested to carry out the regular cutting of the recreation ground but that prior to any assessment of the ground by the County Surveyor he consult Councillors Shipton and Stewart to determine which area of the ground was to be cut.

100. AMPFIELD WOOD.

Members reported that they had received several complaints about notices in Ampfield Wood which indicated that certain paths were private and not a public right of way. It was explained at the meeting that the footpaths shown as public on the definitive map were unaffected by the notices.

RESOLVED that a leaflet be made available for the public outlining the measures which might be taken for a public right of way be claimed.

CLERK'S SALARY. 101.

RESOLVED that the Clerk's salary in the sum of £28.85 together with expenses totalling £5.36 to date paid. Moather

CHAIRMAN.