MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 9TH DECEMBER, 1985 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAISHFIELD (7.30 p.m. UNTIL 9.05 p.m.)

PRESENT: Mr. P. Watkins (Chairman); I. Chisholm, J. Musselwhite, Miss P. Saunders and G. Shipton.

Representing Test Valley Borough Council: J. Wyss

80. MINUTES.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th November, 1985 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PLANNING APPLICATION

TVS.4816

Two dwellings with garages at land opposite Chapel Works, Newport Lane.

RESOLVED that no objection be raised to the principle of the development of the site but that the Chief Planning Officer be informed of the Parish Council's concern at:

- (1) The size of the proposed dwellings
- (2) The arrangements for the access to plot 2 which could encourage the development of the land at the rear; and
- (3) The retention of the secondary access shown on the plan which at present provides a vehicular access for the occupiers of the adjoining property.

82. SOUTHERN AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

The Parish Council received the minutes for the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 5th November, 1985 and noted those items relating to Braishfield.

83. LITTER BIN

RESOLVED that the Borough Council be requested to supply and install a concrete litter bin outside the primary school at an estimated cost of £85.

84. BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE HALL

Further consideration was given to the request of the Village Hall Management Committee for lighting to be provided at the entrance to the recreation ground car park. The Management Committee had furnished the Parish Council with details of lettings for the period 1st July, 1983 to 30th June, 1984.

RESOLVED that the Council adhere to its previous decision not to provide additional lighting.

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85. 1986/87 PRECEPT

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk which set out the projected receipts and expenditure for the current financial year.

RESOLVED that the 1986/87 precept on Test Valley Borough Council be £2,600.

86. SWIMMING FACILITIES FOR ROMSEY

Consideration was given to a letter from the Borough Council's Chief Technical Officer setting out the options for new swimming facilities in Romsey. In addition to the conventional type of pool the Council were considering the provision of a leisure pool which would include a number of additional amenities. The Borough Council sought the views of Parish Councils before it made a decision on the type of project it was to pursue.

RESCLVED that the Borough Council be informed that the Braishfield Parish Council would consider a leisure pool to be more worthwhile than conventional swimming facilities but that such facilities should not be provided to the detriment of other outlying districts.

87. FOOTPATHS

It was reported that the County Council hoped to clear footpath 12 within the next few weeks. Mr. Musselwhite reported that he had met Mr. Thompson of the Community Service by Offenders Scheme with a view to their carrying out footpath clearance and maintenance works. It had been explained that the work would be carried out by petty offenders on Saturdays and that the scheme would welcome the opportunity to carry out work on behalf of the Parish Council. Although the service would be free and some supervision provided, it was expected that any further supervision would have to be supported by local residents. Consideration was given to the possibility of other work in the parish being carried out by the scheme. It was also reported that the service trench across footpath 4 was still open.

RESOLVED

- That Mr. Musselwhite be thanked for his efforts relating to the proposed footpath maintenance and clearance works and his negotiations with the Community Service by Offenders Scheme;
- (2) That further consideration be given to the likelihood of other works being carried out by the scheme; and
- (3) That the open trench on footpath 4 be drawn to the attention of the County Rights of Way Office.

88. JERMYNS LANE

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Ampfield Parish Council seeking Braishfield's support in their efforts to secure improvements to the junction of Jermyns Lane with the A31.

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Although a low cost improvement scheme had been suggested by the County Council, these were considered to be inadequate by Ampfield. Reference was also made to letters on this subject between the District Councillor and the County Councillor.

RESOLVED that the Area Surveyor be informed of Braishfield's support for substantial improvement works to be carried out to the A31 junction and his attention be drawn to the increasing use of Jermyns Lane as a link from the A31.

89. HIGHWAY ROAD SURFACES

The Clerk reported that the Village Association had written to the Area Surveyor supporting the Parish Council in their efforts to improve road surfaces within the Parish.

RESOLVED that a further letter be sent to the Area Surveyor drawing his attention to the incompleted road resurfacing works in the parish.

90. CLERK'S SALARY AND EXPENSES

RESOLVED that the Clerk's salary in the sum of £20.10 together with expenses to date of £5.52 be paid.

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