

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 10TH FEBRUARY, 1986 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAISHFIELD
(7.30 p.m. UNTIL 9.20 p.m.)

PRESENT: Mr. J. Musselwhite, Miss P. Saunders and G. Shipton

Representing Test Valley Borough Council - J. Wyss

102. CHAIRMAN.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, Mr. G. Shipton took the chair for the meeting.

103. MINUTES.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13th January, 1986 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to the substitution of April Cottage for Apple Cottage in minute no. 96. Members also requested that it be made clear that the meeting at which the Parish Council formulated their comments on planning application TVS.121410 (minute 93) had been chaired by the Vice-Chairman as the Chairman, Mr. P. Watkins, had declared an interest in the application and had not attended.

104. PLANNING APPLICATION.

TVS.812/4	Renewal of temporary permission	No objection
	at the Old Works, Crook Hill	

105. SOUTHERN AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE.

The Parish Council received the minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 14th January together with the agenda for the meeting of the Sub-Committee to be held on 11th February, 1986. The items relating to Braishfield were noted.

106. SPEED OF VEHICLES.

The Clerk reported that he had received a reply from the Police on the results of their speed check on the Braishfield road. The check had been carried out on 14th November, fifty yards north of the Braishfield garage between 20.35 and 22.26 hours and revealed an 85% percentile speed of 41 m.p.h.

RESOLVED that the results of the check be noted but the Police be requested to carry out a check between the hours of 10.30 p.m. and 11.00 p.m. to cover the period at the end of licensing hours.

107. TRANSPORT ACT 1985.

The Clerk reported that he had attended a meeting arranged by the County Council to explain the provisions of the new Act which would introduce a competitive bus system. He explained briefly the effects the Act would have on the operation of bus services and the County Council's hope that they would be able to maintain services on those routes where the new bus companies had not



registered any intention to operate. The County Council recommended that a parish representative be nominated to assemble public transport information and needs of the area and to act as a link with the County Surveyor. The Clerk also reported on a questionnaire he had received from the Test Valley Borough Council concerning the changes the new Act would have on the removal of restrictions relating to the licensing of hackney carriages in the area.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That enquiries be made about the appointment of a suitable transport representative and the Clerk notified of their name in due course; and
- (2) That members make investigations about the need for additional hackney carriages in the area.

108. HIGHWAY MATTERS.

The Clerk reported the receipt of several letters from the County Area Surveyor which commented on the location of road signs and the village name sign and the road junction improvement works in Jermyns Lane. In addition he had outlined the action that was being taken to improve surface water drainage on Crook Hill and the removal of mud on the highway in Bunny Lane and commented on the difficulties associated with improving the visibility on bends in Farley Lane. It was also confirmed that surfacing works had been completed in the parish for the current year.


RESOLVED -

- (1) That the Area Surveyor be requested to notify the Parish Council of the likelihood of the completion of the surface works during the next financial year and the provision of road markings at the junction of Newport Lane and Kiln Lane and in Church Lane;
- (2) That he be informed of the poor condition of many of the highway ditches in the parish and the surface water running across Paynes Hay Road; and
- (3) That he be informed that the Parish Council consider the junction improvement at Braishfield Road/Jermyns Lane to be inadequate and that an improvement for visibility of drivers negotiating the junction would be improved if the hedges adjoining the roads were trimmed.

109. FOOTPATHS.

It was reported that the access to footpath no. 2 at the end of Megana Way had been obstructed by the removal of the stile. At the present time there was no access through the hedge at the point where the footpath should pass through.

RESOLVED that the County Rights of Way Officer be informed of the obstruction.



110. RECREATION GROUND.

Consideration was given to applications for the use of the recreation ground by the primary school and the Horticultural Society. In addition, members continued to express concern about the condition of the recreation ground and in particular to the use of the ground by the Football Club when the pitch was in poor condition. The club had also failed to remove a quantity of rubbish close to the entrance to the ground and had not removed the goalposts after each game.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the primary school be permitted the use of the ground for their school fete on 28th June and the Horticultural Society the use of the ground on 19th July for their annual flower show;
- (2) That the Football Club be informed of the Parish Council's concern at the club's continuing failure to adhere to the requests of the Parish Council in the use of the ground; and
- (3) That if the position does not improve then consideration be given to the club making alternative arrangements for the use of the ground.

111. VILLAGE POND.

RESOLVED that Miss Saunders be requested to approach Miss M. Old of April Cottage, Braishfield with a view to her making a statutory declaration in an effort to assist the Parish Council in their claim for ownership of the area.

112. ACCOUNTS.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the Clerk's salary in the sum of £26.92 together with expenses totalling £9.57 to date be paid;
- (2) That the sum of £100 be transferred from the Parish Council's deposit account to their current account; and
- (3) That the sum of £27.50 be paid to the Village Hall Association for the use of Parish Hall during 1985/86.

113. COMMUNITY SERVICE BY OFFENDERS SCHEME.

Mr. Musselwhite reported that Mr. Thompson of the Probation Service had indicated that the scheme would be prepared to assist with the village annual litter clearance and undertake surface repair works on footpath 13. In addition he was making enquiries about the possible redecoration of the vestry and clearance work around the village pond.

114. BUS SHELTER.

RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the Braishfield Village News to thank the resident who had cleaned out the bus shelter.

M. Bathurst