

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT
THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAISHFIELD ON 18TH DECEMBER, 1986
(7.00 p.m. - 9.10 p.m.)

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

Representing Test Valley Borough Council: Cllr. J. Wyss

71. MINUTES.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 20th November, 1986 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

72. PLANNING APPLICATION.

TVS.4334/2 First floor extension at No objection.
St. Catherines, Newport Lane.

73. SOUTHERN AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

The Parish Council received the minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 2nd December and noted those items relating to Braishfield.

74. 1987/88 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 1987/88 precept on Test Valley Borough Council be £2,600.

75. FOOTPATHS.

RESOLVED that arrangements be made for the replacement of the broken footpath sign at the entrance to footpath no. 4.

76. RECREATION GROUND.

(a) Use by Braishfield Football Club.

The Clerk referred to a letter he had received from the football club indicating that subject to the clarification of certain matters the club would be prepared to complete the agreement for the regular use of the ground by the club.

RESOLVED that the following be confirmed with the Braishfield Football Club:

- (1) The Parish Council would not require any payment from the club for the regular use of the ground provided that, the agreed maintenance of the football pitch together with the regular cutting of the edges of the recreation ground and childrens play area *was carried out to the satisfaction of the Parish Council;*
- (2) The Parish Council accept that the football club would require the use of the pitch each Saturday during the football season but reserved the right to allow an alternative use should major unexpected circumstances arise; and

- (3) In the event of inclement weather a decision on the condition of the pitch would be taken by the Parish Council before 12 noon on the day of the match.

(b) Request for use from Braishfield Social Club F.C.

Consideration was given to a request for the regular use of the ground by the Social Club Football Club. A list of names of players who resided locally was submitted with the application. Concern was expressed about the effect any additional use of the ground would have on the condition of the pitch. The improvement of the ground by better drainage was suggested.

RESOLVED -

That the application be deferred for further consideration with interested parties on the effects any additional use might have on the condition of the ground and the extent to which this might be improved by additional drainage.

(c) Damage to Grass.

It was reported that a coach that had been requested by a party attending at the village hall had driven on to the recreation ground and damaged the surface.

RESOLVED that the attention of the Village Hall Management Committee be drawn to the damage caused and requested to arrange for suitable remedial works to be carried out.

77. HIGHWAY MATTERS.

(a) Surface Water.

RESOLVED that the Area Surveyor be informed of the danger caused by excessive surface water at Crookhill, Paynes Hay Road and Lower Street and be requested to improve the highway drainage ditches at these points to overcome the problem.

(b) Mud on Highway.


Reference was made to mud which had been deposited on Newport Lane by vehicles from the development at Chapel works. Councillor Wyss agreed to approach the developers about the problem.

(c) Signpost opposite Wheatsheaf Inn.

RESOLVED that the Chairman arrange with a local contractor for this sign to be secured.

(d) Village Sign.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the Area Surveyor be reminded about the relocation of the village sign on the southern approach to the village; and
 - (2) That a "Please ^{drive} slowly through the village" notice be added to the village signs.
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(e) Chapel Close.

The Clerk reported that the Area Surveyor would be unable to carry out the works to the footway in Chapel Close during the current financial year. Councillor Wyss agreed to follow the matter up on behalf of the Parish Council.

(f) Jermyns Lane.

The Clerk reported on the site visit he and representatives of the Braishfield Village Association and the Romsey Extra Parish Council had had with officers of the County Surveyor's department at the Jermyns Lane/Braishfield Road junction. He indicated that the likely outcome of the meeting would be further improvements to the signing of the junction and to the lines of visibility at the junction.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That County Councillor Merrydale be informed of the Council's concern in this matter and his support be requested for additional measures including speed restriction on the approach to the junction and additional works to prevent vehicles travelling straight across Braishfield Road; and
- (2) That a copy of the letter to County Councillor Merrydale be sent to the local Member of Parliament.

78. MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF SOUTHERN PARISHES.

Mr. Shipton reported on a meeting of the above group which he and Miss Saunders had attended. The group had discussed the excessive housing development in the area particularly at Nursling and Rownhams. Concern had also been expressed about the playing fields at Timsbury which it was felt may attract additional housing development.

79. TREES AT CHAPEL WORKS.

Councillor Wyss, the District Council representative reported on the outcome of the recent action taken against the owners of land at Chapel works for the unauthorised felling of trees.

80. BUS SERVICES.

Mr. Chisholm reported on a meeting of transport representatives which had been organised by the County Council. It had been reported that the County Council were disappointed at the lack of willingness to operate a number of services and that they had spent a greater sum than estimated on subsidies. The publicity relating to services and timetables was also considered to be inadequate. It was not anticipated that there would be any alterations to the services through Braishfield.

81. ACCOUNTS.

RESOLVED that the following accounts be paid:

Miss P. Saunders - expenses at Southern Parishes meeting.	£2.00
Miss Bacon - payment for wreath	£7.00
L. Shelton - Clerk's salary (£20.17) and expenses to date (£5.04)	£34.21

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