

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, BRAISHFIELD ON 18TH JUNE, 1987
(7.00 p.m. - 9.05 p.m.)

PRESENT: P. Watkins (Chairman); T. Howkins, Mrs. P. Melbourne,
J. Musselwhite, Miss P. Saunders and Mrs. I. Shepherd.

(Apologies for absence were received from D. Butterfield and
Borough Councillor J. Wyss).

16. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 21st May, 1987 be signed
by the Chairman as a correct record.

17. BRAISHFIELD ROAD/JERMYNS LANE JUNCTION

The Chairman reported that he and four members together with two
representatives from the Romsey Extra Parish Council and two members of the
Braishfield Village Association ^{and the Borough Council representative} had attended a site meeting with Mr. R.
Penney, the Area Surveyor to discuss the possibility of improvements to the
above junction. The meeting was considered by those who attended to be
worthwhile and in addition to improvements to signing and road markings it
was hoped that consideration may be given to investigating the possibility
of including this junction in an experimental scheme whereby "rumble
strips" could be installed on the junction approaches.

RESOLVED that the position be noted and that thanks be expressed to the
Village Association and Romsey Extra Parish Council for being represented
at the meeting and to the Area Surveyor for his helpful attitude.

18. VILLAGE POND

The Chairman reported that the County Surveyor had now prepared draft
statements for completion by local residents who recalled the Parish
Council carrying out maintenance work to the pond area during the previous
12 years. If the statements were acceptable a final copy would be prepared
for signature and sworn before a solicitor.

RESOLVED that the position be noted.

19. PLANNING APPLICATION - TVS.LB 308 and TVS.5354

The Chairman reported that members had inspected the above plans and that
no objections had been raised to the proposals for a rear two storey
extension at Red Cottage, Paynes Hay Road.

20. ROVING ACTIVITIES TEAM

The Clerk referred to a request from the Hampshire and Isle of Wight
Association of Boys Clubs for their Roving Activities Team to visit
Braishfield during the summer holidays. The team organised sporting
activities for a day and all children of the Parish would be welcome to
attend for a 50p admission charge.

RESOLVED that the Roving Activities Team be permitted the use of the
recreation ground during the week beginning 24th August and that the Clerk
also make arrangements for the village hall to be available for use by the
team on the agreed date.

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21. HIGHWAYS

Several complaints were received concerning the condition of drainage ditches in the Parish and in particular those ditches in Lower Street which had not been maintained for several years. It was claimed that as a result of a blocked drain this particular ditch also held stagnant water. Reference was also made to the cutting of grass verges around the parish which was considered to be inadequate.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the County Surveyor be informed of the poor condition of the drainage ditches and the inadequate trimming of the roadside hedges and that the Environmental Health Officer be notified of the stagnant water in the drainage ditch in Lower Street; and
- (2) That the Area Surveyor be notified of the poor condition of the roadside railings in Braishfield Road.

22. TREE PLANTING SCHEME

Further consideration was given to a possible tree planting scheme in the recreation ground. The Village Association and the local branch of the Womens' Institute had indicated their support for such a scheme.

RESOLVED that the following local organisations be advised of the proposals and requested to indicate their likely support for such a scheme:-

The Braishfield Seven
The Braishfield Football Club
The Village Hall Management Committee
Benads
The Horticultural Society

23. MAINTENANCE OF CHURCHYARD

RESOLVED that a grant of £90 be made to the Braishfield Church for the maintenance of the churchyard during the current financial year.

24. MR. G. BROWN

RESOLVED that Mr. George Brown of Spinney Corner, Braishfield be congratulated on his recent award of the OBE.

25. ROMSEY SWIMMING POOL

Miss Saunders referred to an approach she had received from the Romsey Residents Association requesting the Parish Council to reconsider the question of the type of facilities that should be provided in a new pool at Romsey. The Parish Council had last considered the matter in December 1985 and had informed the Test Valley Borough Council that Braishfield Parish Council would consider a leisure pool to be more worthwhile than conventional swimming facilities although such facilities should not be provided to the detriment of other outlying districts.

RESOLVED that the Romsey Residents Association be informed that the Parish Council are not prepared to reconsider the question of swimming facilities at Romsey at the present time.

26. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED that the following be paid:-

Audit Commission - annual audit of accounts	£44.85
Braishfield Horticultural Society - donation towards draw prizes	£10.00
Braishfield Church Council - maintenance of churchyard 1987/88	£90.00
L. Shelton - Clerks salary (£32.00) and expenses to date (£6.89)	£38.89

W. Thomas