

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

21st September, 1989 (7.00pm-8.15pm)

PRESENT:-

D Butterfield
T Howkins
J Musslewhite
Mrs P Melbourne
Miss P Saunders
Mrs I Shepherd

Representing Test Valley Borough Council

Councillor J Wyss

APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

P Watkins

CHAIRMAN

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice-Chairman Miss P Saunders took the Chair for the meeting.

30. MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 20th July, 1989 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

31. PLANNING APPLICATION - BROOMHILL COTTAGE

RESOLVED -

That no objection be raised to the proposals to convert the garage to a dwelling at Broomhill Cottage, Lower Street subject to materials being sympathetic to surrounding buildings.

32. RADIO TRANSMITTING MAST, GAS STATION, BUNNY LANE

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Chief Planning Officer which stated that the Department of Trade and Industry had indicated that the above installation would not interfere with domestic radio and television receivers.

33. DEVELOPMENT AT BROADGATE FARM, AMPFIELD

The Clerk reported that the appeal by Pelham Homes Ltd and F Goulden & Sons Ltd against the decision of Test Valley Borough Council to refuse their application for residential development, Community Centre and Golf Course on land at Broadgate Farm, Ampfield would be heard on 10th October, 1989.

RESOLVED -

That the Parish Council object on similar grounds to the previous application for development at this location.

34. SOUTHERN PARISHES GROUP

The Clerk reported that this group had now been wound up and that the Romsey Town Council had refunded all monies held by the Group to the constituent Authorities. A refund £8.40 had been made to Braishfield Parish Council.

35. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) Speed Limit

The Clerk referred to a letter he had received from Michael Colvin, MP who confirmed that the Highway Authority was responsible for the implementation of speed limits. He stated that any decision would be taken after detailed studies of traffic movements and speeds on the relevant roads. He suggested that the Parish Council might consider the installation of warning signs at the entrance to the village informing motorists that they were entering a built up area and to beware of children.

RESOLVED -

- 1) That the Chief Constable be informed that the Parish Council did not consider the detailed investigations carried out by the Police and the County Council in relation to a speed limit in Braishfield to have been adequate; and
- 2) That as a result of traffic speeds increasing the Police be requested to carry out a further speed survey between the hours of 8.00am and 10.00am.

b) Braishfield Road/Jermyns Lane Junction

The Clerk reported that the County Surveyor proposed installing new signs in the Braishfield Road on the approach to this junction.

RESOLVED -

That the County Surveyor be informed of the Parish Council's concern at the location of the signs as the majority of accidents had occurred when vehicles failed to stop on either Sandy Lane or Jermyns Lane on approaching the junction.

36. FOOTPATHS

a) Overgrown Path

Consideration was given to a letter signed by several residents for the village expressing concern at the poor condition of the footpath between Old Kennels and Fernhill Lane. It was both overgrown and obstructed.

RESOLVED -

That the County Rights of Way Officer be requested to confirm the status of this path and that it would be retained as a public footpath.

b) Review of Definitive Map

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Romsey and District Society who sought the Parish Council's assistance in making representations to the County Representative to express the urgency of publishing an up-to-date definitive map.

RESOLVED -

That County Councillor John Patten be informed of the Parish Council's concern at the delay in the publication of the new footpath map.

37. RECREATION GROUND

a) Romsey Road

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter of thanks from the Romsey Road Runners who had used the Recreation Ground for the Braishfield Beer Run. The Club had donated a sum of £10.00 to the Council.

RESOLVED -

That the Romsey Road Runners be thanked for their kind donation and to the measures they took on the day of the event to ensure that access to the Recreation Ground was restricted to the main entrance.

b) Provision of Play Equipment

D Butterfield reported that he had made enquiries about the provision of new items of equipment but expressed concern that these should be located within a suitable safety surfaced area. He also reported that the Womens Institute and Village Association would be prepared to contribute to the project.

RESOLVED -

- 1) That J Musselwhite ascertain the likely cost of providing a suitable surface;
- 2) That the Village Association and Womens Institute be thanked for their offer of financial help;
- 3) That an application for grant towards the cost of the scheme be made to the Borough Council through Councillor Wyss once details of costs and the likely shortfall were known; and
- 4) That the Borough Council be requested to supply details of any play equipment they might be selling off.

38. VILLAGE POND

It was reported that investigations about the installation of a possible liner for the pond were continuing.

39. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED -

That the following be paid:-

L Shelton - salary and expenses to date	£79.70
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