

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Village Hall, Braishfield  
18th April, 1991, 7.00pm - 7.50pm

PRESENT:-

P Watkins (Chairman)  
T Howkins  
Mrs P Melbourne  
J Musslewhite  
Miss P Saunders  
Mrs I Shepherd  
Councillor J Wyss (Test Valley Borough Council)

AN APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE was received from D Butterfield.

90. MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 21st March, 1991 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

91. NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN

The Clerk reported a letter from the Chief Environmental Health Officer setting out the Borough Council's events during National Spring Clean Week between 19th and 28th April, 1991. The letter also enclosed a list of 101 ideas for cleaning up litter.

RESOLVED -

That the position be noted and the Borough Council be informed of Braishfields Annual Litter Clearance Day to be organised by the Braishfield Village Association during October.

92. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) Braishfield Road

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Area Surveyor indicating that the depression in Braishfield Road south of the Wheatsheaf Inn had been inspected and considered safe. Additional repair work would be necessary to the carriageway at this point once works by Southern Water to lay a new water main had been completed.

RESOLVED -

That the position be noted.



b) Chapel Close

RESOLVED -

That the Borough Council's Chief Housing Officer be notified of the uneven pavement serving the elderly peoples bungalows in Chapel Close.

93. FOOTPATH MATTERS

RESOLVED -

That the County Recreation Officer be informed of the poor condition of the stile on footpath 4 at its junction with Paynes Hay Road.

94. VILLAGE POND

T Howkins reported that following discussions with the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Naturalists Trust about the renovation of the Village Pond it had been agreed that a start on the scheme should be deferred until October. It was considered that the likelihood of wetter weather at this time of the year would be more suitable for repairs to the clay lining of the pond. It was also reported that decisions were awaited on two applications for grant towards the project and that work should not commence prior to any decision on these. Consideration was also given to a request from the Braishfield Seven group to site a seat in the pond area to commemorate their 40th anniversary.

RESOLVED -

1. That the position concerning the commencement of work on the project be noted; and
2. That the Braishfield Seven's offer to commemorate their 40th anniversary with a seat on the pond area be gratefully accepted.

95. RECREATION GROUND

a) Play Equipment

The Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from the Braishfield Village Association informing the Parish Council that they had raised the sum of £200 towards the cost of refurbishing the childrens playground. The money would be kept by the Association in a high interest deposit account until such time as it was required. Any interest that accrued from the deposit would be added to the final sum. Reference was also made to the likelihood of capital grants towards the scheme from the Borough Council.

RESOLVED -

1. That the Village Association be thanked for their efforts and their kind donation towards the play equipment; and

2. That J Musslewhite be requested to make the necessary application to Test Valley Borough Council for a captial grant towards the cost of new play equipment.

b) Furniture

The Chairman reported that the local scouts had creosoted and wood preserved seats and fences in the recreation ground.

96. BUNNY LANE TIP

It was reported that several complaints had been received from residents about the access to the new skips at the Bunry Lane Civic Amenity site.

RESOLVED -

That the Borough Council's Chief Enviromental Health Officer be informed of the Parish Council's concern at the access to the skips and the liklihood of elderly people suffering accidents when negotiating the steep steps to deposit waste items.

97. HIGHWAY SIGNPOSTS

The Chairman reported that he was making arrangements for the repair of the damaged direction signs in the village.

98. VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK - LOAN

The Chairman referred to the loan of £300 made to the Village Hall Management Committee for the resurfacing of the village hall car park. The loan was due for repayment in May 1991.

RESOLVED -

That the loan be extended for a further period of 12 months until May 1992.

99. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED -

That the following accounts be paid:-

Hampshire Association of Parish Councils - annual subscriptions	£60.00
Romsey Advertiser - advert for Annual Parish Meeting	£13.25
L Shelton - clerks salary and expenses	£50.23

