MINUTES OF BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

18TH JUNE 1992, 7.00PM - 9.30PM

PRESENT:-

P Watkins (Chairman)
Mrs P Melbourne
J Musslewhite
Miss P Saunders
Mrs R Stitt
Councillor J Wyss (representing Test Valley Borough Council)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from:-

T Howkins and Mrs I Shepherd.

14. MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 21st May, 1992 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

15. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED -

That Miss P Saunders be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the current municipal year.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) TVS3061/4 - 2 The Square

An application was considered for the conversion of the internal garage to provide living accommodation, erection of bay windows, new dormers and construction of a detached garage.

RESOLVED -

That no objection be made to the proposals (Councillor J Musslewhite declared his interest in this application and left the meeting during consideration of the item).

(b) TVS6936 - Erection of Shelter

RESOLVED -

That no objection be raised to the application which involves the erection of a horse field shelter and hay store on land at Malthouse Farm.

PUCKNALL FARM

The Clerk referred to the application to deposit sewerage waste on land at Pucknall Farm and to conditions the County Council would require for the site should disposal take

place. The conditions would limit the rate of application of sewerage to 4,500 gallons per acre and prohibit any spreading within 100 metres of any occupied dwelling, 20 metres from any rivers or streams and 20 metres from any footpath, highway or public right of way.

RESOLVED -

That the County Planning Officer be informed of the Parish Council's serious concern at the proposals, their objections to the granting of any disposal licence and their concern at the presence of water courses on the land and the proximity of the operation to residential properties.

18. POWER STATION, NORTH BADDESLEY

The Clerk reported the receipt of minutes from the meeting organised by North Baddesley Parish Council to discuss proposals to erect a power station at North Baddesley.

RESOLVED -

That the position be noted.

19. RECEPTION FOR PARISH COUNCILS

RESOLVED -

That the Borough Council's Chief Executive be informed that Braishfield Parish Council would send two representatives to the reception for Parish Councils to be held at Beech Hurst, Andover at 7.30pm on Monday, 20th July.

20. HIGHWAY MATTERS

The Clerk referred to a letter he had received from the County Surveyor indicating that works were to start at the Braishfield Road crossroads. Members commented on the improvement works which were currently being carried out to improve safety at the crossroads.

RESOLVED -

That the County Surveyor and his staff be thanked for the progress that had been made at the junction.

21. FOOTPATHS

The Clerk referred to a letter he had received from the County Rights of Way Manager setting out recent changes to the organisation of footpath management in the County. this had involved the appointment of a new Rights of Way Officer for central Hampshire. Councillor J Musslewhite, the Parish footpath representative reported that the stile on footpath 4 near to Hall Farm was badly damaged and required attention. He also reported that the path between the stile and Eldon Lane was not properly indicated and was in parts over-grown.

RESOLVED -

That the County reorganisation of footpath management be noted and the new Rights of Way Officer be informed of the problems on footpath 4.

22. RECREATION GROUND

(a) The Clerk referred to a letter from the Braishfield Football Club who had indicated that they were reluctant to make a contribution of £50 towards the cutting of the recreation ground in view of their efforts to assist with the maintenance of the ground.

RESOLVED -

That the Football Club be informed that the Parish Council acknowledged the efforts of the Football Club towards the upkeep of the ground but that in view of increased administrative costs and increased charges for cutting they be requested to make a small contribution of £50 towards these costs with effect from 1st January 1993.

(b) Play Area

The Chairman confirmed that he would be reminding Lawrie McMenemy of his acceptance to open the new play area and to confirm an appropriate date for the opening.

RESOLVED -

That the position be noted and that appropriate expenditure be authorised for the provision of mementos for the children attending the event.

23. VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

The Chairman referred to the outstanding loan of £300 made to the Village Hall Management Committee in October 1988 to enable the resurfacing of the recreation ground/village hall car park.

RESOLVED -

That the loan of £300 be written off.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor J Wyss referred to the Test Valley Borough Local Plan and to local meetings that would be taking place explaining the Plan in detail. He also clarified the notation of the Plan where limited development would be allowed. In Braishfield this only affected land already developed. Councillor Wyss also referred to the concern the Parish Council had expressed about planning matters. The Chairman explained that members had felt that their comments had been overlooked on some contentious local planning applications. Councillor Wyss assured the Parish Council that Borough members and officers did take account of Parish Council comments but that these could not always be accepted where they conflicted with Borough planning policies. He also commented in detail on the reasons for decisions taken on recent applications where Borough decisions were not in accordance with the Parish's requests. He advocated that Parish members continue to contact him whenever they were concerned about local planning issues.

25. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

L Shelton - salary and expenses to date Municipal Mutual - annual premium **1£55.90 1£50.00**

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