

MINUTES OF BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

16TH DECEMBER 1993 (7.00PM-8.15PM)

PRESENT:-

P Watkins (Chairman)
T Howkins
A Lalonde
J Musselwhite
Mrs P Melbourne
Miss P Saunders
Mrs R Stitt

AN APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE was received from Councillor J Wyss (representing Test Valley Borough Council)

63. MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th November, 1993 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

64. ALL SAINTS CHURCH CLOCK 60/11/93

The Clerk reported that the Braishfield Village Association had paid their contribution of £250 towards the above project.

65. LAND OPPOSITE THE WHEATSHEAF - The Clerk reported that the owners of the land, Whitbread Wessex, had agreed to clear ragwort from the field prior to its sale.

1994/95 PRECEPT - Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk which set out the projected receipts and expenditure for the current financial year. The report also referred to estimated expenditure for 1994/95. This projected balances in excess of £5,000 and a reduction in the current year's precept of £3,000 was recommended.

RESOLVED -

That the 1994/95 precept on Test Valley Borough Council be £2,500.

67. HIGHWAY MATTERS

The Chairman reported on the meeting between Parish representatives and the Area Surveyor concerning several outstanding highway matters. The Clerk also referred to the Area Surveyor's note of the meeting outlining various courses of action which could be pursued. Surface water drainage in Church Lane, a speed limit through the village, the provision of a footway around the double bends in Braishfield Road and the display of unauthorised signs on the highway had all been the subject of discussion. Improvements

to the footway between the Chapel and War Memorial would be undertaken during the current financial year and pavement cracks in the vicinity of the War Memorial would also be filled in.

RESOLVED -

- 1) That the Area Surveyor be thanked for attending a constructive and worthwhile meeting.
- 2) That Councillors Tim Howkins and Andrew Lalonde discuss the clearing and enlargement of the sump adjoining the pond to improve surface water drainage in Church Lane subject to any advice from the Hampshire Wildlife Trust and that they be authorised to undertake any work subject to a maximum of £200.
- 3) That Councillors Rita Stitt and Jeremy Musslewhite informally ascertain the views of local people to the possible dedication of land for the provision of a footway on the double bends in the vicinity of the Square.
- 4) That the Area Surveyor be informed of the Parish Council's continued concern at vehicle speeds through the village and requested to pursue the relaxation of the criteria for the introduction of a speed restriction to allow the introduction of a speed limit through the village and the installation of dangerous bend warning signs.
- 5) That the Area Surveyor's advice on the removal of unauthorised signs from the highway be noted subject to special consideration being given to community signs for local charity events.

68. PLANNING APPLICATION - TVS2015/12 - HOUSE ADJOINING BRAISHFIELD GARAGE

RESOLVED -

- 1) That no objection be raised to the proposal which is understood to be associated with and necessary for the continued use of the Braishfield Garage.
- 2) That the Borough Council be informed that the Parish Council would not wish to lose the amenity of the local garage within the village. (Councillor P Watkins declared an interest in this item, took no part in the discussions and did not vote thereon. The Chair was taken for the duration of this item by the Vice-Chairman, Councillor Pam Saunders).

69. HIGHWAY SIGNS

Councillor Rita Stitt commented on progress being made on the repairs to signposts and signs throughout the Parish.

70. BOROUGH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Parish Council commented on the recent colour edition of the 1992/93 Borough Annual Report circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED -

- 1) That the Borough Council be asked for information on the cost of producing the 1992/93 edition of the Annual Report and on the term "environmentally conscious paper".
- 2) That information on the cost of the extension works at Duttons Road also be requested from the Borough Council.

71. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED -

That the following accounts be paid -

L Shelton - salary and expenses to date

£123.75

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