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MINUTES OF BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

17TH NOVEMBER 1994

PRESENT:-

- P Watkins (Chairman)
- T Howkins
- A Lalonde
- Mrs P Melbourne
- J Musselwhite
- Miss P Saunders
- Mrs R Stitt
- Councillor J Wyss (representing Test Valley Borough Council)

59. MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 20th October 1994 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

60. PLANNING APPLICATION TVS 5144/4 -
RETENTION OF STEEL FABRICATIONS WORKS AT HAWKES FARM

The Clerk referred to a traffic survey which had been carried out by residents of Dores Lane to support their objection to this application. The survey had been sent to the Chief Planning Officer. Councillor Wyss indicated that the application was to be considered by the Borough Council's Southern Planning Committee at their meeting the following week.

61. AGE CONCERN ROMSEY AND DISTRICT

The Clerk referred to a letter from the Group which outlined existing and proposed projects. The Group also requested financial support and assistance through voluntary labour.

RESOLVED -

That a donation of £50 be made towards the Group under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

62. PRIMARY SCHOOL - SECURITY

It was reported that a break-in at the school had resulted in a loss of equipment valued at £2,500. Although the County Council would make funds available to replace the stolen equipment the school were considering the installation of a security system at a cost of £1,800. The County Education Authority had indicated that they would be unable to fund the cost of this work which would need to be funded directly from the school's budget. The Head Teacher had therefore requested financial assistance from the Parish Council.

RESOLVED -

That consideration of this matter be deferred until the December meeting.

63. HIGHWAY MATTERS

The Clerk reported that the Area Surveyor had confirmed that work on a new footpath linking the school with houses in Common Hill Road would be undertaken during the current financial year and that footpath improvements would be carried out between Newport Lane and the postbox and between the garage and Apple Cottage. He also reported that the drainage ditch between the war memorial and Braishfield Garage would be cleaned out when a tractor mower was next in the area and that the seating of the drain cover outside April Cottage would be improved to reduce noise when vehicles passed over it.

64. PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

Councillor Jeremy Musselwhite reported the objectives ^{and} outlined the operation of this scheme organised by the County Recreation Department.

RESOLVED -

That Councillor Musselwhite obtain further information on the possibility of joining the partnership scheme.

65. VILLAGE POND

Councillors Tim Howkins and Andrew Lalonde reported that they were obtaining quotes to clear the pond area of nettles.

66. RECREATION GROUND

a) Dog Waste Bins

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council charged £40 to install each dog waste bin and £5 for each emptying. Emptying would be carried out approximately once every two weeks.

RESOLVED -

That no action be taken at the present time to install dog bins but that consideration be given to additional or improved signing requesting dog owners to clear up any dog fouling.

b) Lettings

RESOLVED -

That the Ramsey Road Runners be permitted the use of the recreation ground in connection with their 10K road race on Sunday 11th June at 11.30am and their 15K race on 20th August at 10.45am.

67. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor J Wyss reported on several planning applications within the parish that would be considered at next week's meeting of the Southern Area Planning Committee and to matters relating to the recommendation of the Commission on local government which proposed the retention of the two tier system for the Test Valley Borough area.

68. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED -

That the following accounts be paid -

ARTEL Services - October cutting of recreation ground	£24.09
Southern Water - pond water meter (May-October)	£17.00
L Shelton - salary and expenses to date	£63.25
Age Concern Romsey and District - donation (sect 137 payment)	£50.00
Miss Bacon - Remembrance Day wreath (sect 137 payment)	£11.25