MINUTES OF BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

19th January 1995

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)

uncillor A. Dowden (representing Hampshire County Council)

80. MINUTES

RESOLVED:-

That the minutes of the meeting held on 15th December 1994 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

81. VILLAGE SPEED LIMIT

The Chairman referred to information he had received since the last meeting relating to proposals for a speed limit affecting roads in the village area. He had sought comments of Parish Councillors to the proposals who had indicated a preference for a 30 mile per hour limit along Braishfield Road from its junction with Jermyns Lane to its junction with Paynes Hay Road and in Common Hill Road from its junction with Braishfield Road to Hawkes Farm. The Clerk had submitted this information to County Councillor Dowden. As a result a revised plan had been prepared and would be circulated to Parish Council Members. Councillor Dowden attended the meeting and answered questions about the speed limit proposals.

RESOLVED:-

That the action of the Chairman be confirmed and the position noted.

82. PRIMARY SCHOOL

It was reported that the Head Teacher of the Primary School had confirmed that new security measures at the school would be funded entirely by the County Council. He thanked the Parish Council for their support in considering a contribution towards the scheme.

83. COUNTY STRUCTURE PLAN

RESOLVED:-

That the Hampshire Association of Parish Councils be informed that up to 4 Parish Councillors would be attending a meeting concerning the County Structure Plan at Romsey on 7th February 1995.

84. DUTTONS ROAD OFFICES

It was reported that the Borough's Director of Leisure & Technical Services had confirmed that the Borough Council still awaited final figures for the contract for work at the above offices.

85. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) Common Hill Road Footpath

The Chairman reported that the Area Surveyor had advised the Parish Council that work on the new pavement linking the school with the first houses in Common Hill Road would commence shortly. The Chairman confirmed that he had arranged for overhanging trees and bushes from the adjoining recreation ground to be cut back to allow the construction of the path.

b) Church Lane

Concern was expressed at the amount of mud that had been washed onto the road in Church Lane.

RESOLVED:-

That the start of work at Common Hill Road be noted and the Area Surveyor be requested to clear the road surface in Church Lane.

86. PARISH PATHS INITIATIVE

Simon Barnett, the County Parish Paths Liaison Officer, attended the meeting to outline the Parish Paths Partnership. By entering into a partnership agreement the Parish Council could receive grants to undertake work on Rights of Way, including path condition surveys, inspections and improvements. Mr. Barnett indicated that 21 Parishes and local groups within Hampshire were already involved with the scheme and that he hoped a further 25 would become involved during 1995/96.

RESOLVED:-

That Mr. Barnett's comments be noted and that the Parish Council agree in principle to participate in a partnership scheme, subject to the consideration of the detailed documentation to be completed prior to any formal agreement.

87. VILLAGE POND

It was reported that M. Fielder had been requested to clear out blocked sluices at the pond and to cutback overgrown vegetation and nettles on the surrounding landscaped area.

RESOLVED:-

That the proposed action be agreed.

88. RECREATION GROUND

a) Poop Scoop Bins

RESOLVED:-

That a decision to install a poop scoop bin at the ground be deferred to allow the Chairman to obtain further information from the Borough Council's Environmental Health Officer.

b) Football Club

The Chairman referred to a response from the Club to an earlier letter from the Parish Council. This referred to parking arrangements by Club players and supporters, to the Club's disapproval of the use of foul language during matches and to maintenance work to drain covers within the vicinity of the pavilion.

RESOLVED:-

That the position be noted.

c) Use of the Ground

RESOLVED:-

That the Horticultural Society be permitted to use the Recreation Ground on Saturday 15th July 1995 for the annual Flower Show.

d) Regular Cutting

RESOLVED:-

That the quote from ARTEL Services in the sum of £21.52 per cut of the Ground be accepted.

89. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Wyss referred to the County proposals in their structure plan for the period up to 2011. He stressed the importance of Parish Councillors attending one

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90. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED:-

That the following accounts be paid:-

L. Shelton - Clerk's salary and expenses

£64.05

C.P.R. - Annual subscription

£15.00

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