

# BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield 18th July 1996

### PRESENT:-

A Lalonde (Chairman)  
Mrs M Balchin  
M Edwards  
Mrs P Melbourne  
M Prince  
Councillor M Hatley (representing Test Valley Borough Council).

### APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from T Howkins and Ms P Saunders

### 36. MINUTES

#### RESOLVED -

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20th June 1996 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### 37. WAR MEMORIAL

The Chairman reported that a start on work to renovate the War Memorial would now be delayed until the middle of August. He also reported that he had received a quote from J N Landscapes in the sum of £800 to provide a gravel surround, repair and replace bollards and tidy the base to the War Memorial.

#### RESOLVED -

- a) That the position be noted
- b) That J N Landscapes informal quotation be accepted and that a formal estimate be provided
- c) That the Solicitors acting for the current Trustees be requested for an update on the transfer of the War Memorial and land to the Parish Council.

### 38. BUS SERVICES

Reference was made to the bus stop opposite the War Memorial and to the provision of paving stones to protect the grass verge. Concern was also expressed about the current late afternoon bus service which only continued to the village if passengers requested it to do so. Visitors to the village were therefore unable to rely on the service.

RESOLVED -

that the County Passenger Transport Officer be requested to consider the provision of paving slabs at the bus stop and to consider improving the late afternoon service to the village.

39. FRANK PENTON - 23/6/96

Further consideration was given to the location of trees in memory of Frank Penton. As the locations involved highway verges it was agreed that the County Surveyor be asked for his comments to the proposed suggestions.

40. CASBROOK COMMON

The Clerk reported a letter from the County Surveyor outlining work that was to be undertaken to the completed landfill site at Casbrook Common. The work would improve drainage at the site. The Parish Council would be notified of any details of the work and a site visit had been arranged for the Parish Councils and County Officers and Members to view the proposals.

RESOLVED -

That the position be noted and Meryl Balchin be appointed to attend the site visit at 9.30 am 22nd July.

41. TWINNING

The Clerk reported that the school had refunded £78.95 to the Parish Council from the twinning trips.

RESOLVED -

That the school be thanked for their efforts and informed that the Parish Council would be pleased to consider any future requests for similar ventures.

42. PLANNING MATTERS

a) Hawkes Farm

The Clerk reported an update on the relocation of Premier Structures operations from Hawkes Farm to Abbey Park. The report anticipated that work was now likely to be completed towards the end of August. The Company had offered assistance to the Parish Council as compensation for the continued nuisance caused by their activities at Hawkes Farm. It was understood that the Borough Council's Enforcement Officer was making regular visits to Hawkes Farm to remind the Company of their obligation to vacate the site.

RESOLVED -

that the position be noted and that Premier Structures be requested to consider making a contribution towards current Parish projects.

b) Bells Ground Farm

The Clerk reported a letter from the Borough Council's Director of Planning indicating that neighbouring Councils did consult each other on planning applications where development was likely to affect land outside the authority's boundary. The consultation arrangements usually worked well with good co-operation between the Councils.

RESOLVED -

that the position be noted.

c) Crook Hill Cottages

It was reported that an appeal was to be lodged against the Borough Council's decision to refuse applications for extensions and an additional dwelling at this site.

d) Tree Preservation Order

It was reported that Councillor Michael Edwards had met a Borough Council officer to discuss making a tree preservation order on oak trees to the west of Braishfield Road opposite the Wheatsheaf Inn. The Borough Council's officer had agreed that the trees could be the subject of an order and the Parish Council had been requested to supply a plan of any other trees considered to be worth preserving.

e) Pucknall Farm and Parbrook

It was reported that no objections had been raised to a replacement pig unit at Pucknall Farm and an extension at Parbrook.

43. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) Jermyns Lane

RESOLVED -

that the County Surveyor be requested to consider further improvements to the Jermyns Lane/Sandy Lane junction following recent accidents. These improvements to include the provision of STOP signs and coloured extra grip surfaces on the approach to the junction from Jermyns Lane and Sandy Lane.

b) Overgrown Hedges

RESOLVED -

that the Area Surveyor be informed of overgrown hedges at the Eldon Lane, Paynes Hay Road junction.

c) Primary School

RESOLVED -

that the Head Teacher of the Primary School be informed about a lorry which had parked on the yellow school markings at the school entrance whilst making a delivery.

44. FOOTPATHS

RESOLVED -

that the County Footpaths Officer be informed of a damaged fingerpost sign on Footpath 12 and to overgrown vegetation obstructing Footpath 1.

45. RECREATION GROUND

RESOLVED -

that a quote be obtained from Twickswell for the provision of a chain link fence along the Recreation boundary with Common Hill Road east of the school boundary.

46. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Martin Hatley circulated a video from the Aylesford Newsprint Company and reported on various planning issues including an extension to the shooting range and unauthorised uses at Pucknell Farm.

47. ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED -

that the following account be paid

L Shelton, Clerk's salary and expenses to date £141