

# BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield  
on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 1999

PRESENT:-

M Prince (Vice-Chairman)  
Mrs M Balchin  
Mrs M Payne  
J Musselwhite  
Ms P Saunders  
M Edwards  
Councillor M Hatley (representing Test Valley Borough Council)

Apologies for absence were received from A Lalonde

13. MINUTES

*RESOLVED* - That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 1999 be signed by the Vice-Chairman as a correct record.

14. CHURCHYARD TREES

*RESOLVED* - To note that Andrew Lalonde and Mike Prince are still considering how best to use the churchyard space offered by Rev Bruce Kington for trees.

That the Clerk orders two 'free' trees from TVBC.

15. CONSULTATION ON THE EDUCATION (SCHOOL GOVERNMENT) REGULATIONS 1999

*RESOLVED* - To note that the DfEE has said that the proposed removal of co-option of Parish Councillors onto school governing bodies could only be carried out at the request of the Parish Council.

16. ROMSEY CARERS' FORUM

*RESOLVED* - To decline Romsey Carers' Forum's request for a grant.

17. BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN REVIEW WORKSHOP

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk books places for two councillors at Crosfield Hall.

18. TEST VALLEY RURAL HOUSING ASSOCIATION

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk invites the Association to a future meeting.

19. SOUTHAMPTON CREDIT UNION

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk declines their request to attend a Parish Council Meeting.

20. BASINGSTOKE MOTOR CLUB

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk writes to Basingstoke Motor Club stressing the need for safe driving during their rally through Braishfield on 30<sup>th</sup> October 1999.

21. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk makes a submission to the Local Government Commission stating that the Parish Council is content for Braishfield to be combined with Ampfield in a single Ward but that the name of the Ward should be changed to Ampfield & Braishfield from Field.

22. PEAK HOUR TRAVEL TO WORK – HCC PROJECT ENTIRE

*RESOLVED* - To await the production of the Local Transport Plan for consultation.

23. CASBROOK COMMON

a) Planning/Licensing process

*RESOLVED* - To note that a reply is still awaited from DETR about PPG10 and that the Clerk has sent a reminder, but that Michael Colvin MP has requested a meeting on the subject to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> October.

b) Southern Water/BKP

*RESOLVED* - To note that DETR had now acknowledged receipt of the Council's letter but a formal reply is still awaited.

c) Refuse disposal

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk writes to HCC expressing concern that limiting the quantity of domestic refuse will result in an increase in fly-tipping.

24. PLANNING

a) Hawkes Farm – traffic

*RESOLVED* - To note that Andrew Lalonde is still studying the planning approvals for this site.

b) Polo pitch

*RESOLVED* - To note that as TVBC has stated that the need for planning permission depends on the frequency of use and the existence of permanent structures, the Parish Council will monitor the situation.

c) Responses to applications

*RESOLVED* - To ratify the following responses:

TVS 2667/2	Spring Bank extension	support
TVS 4683/2	Inglenook Cottage	no comment
TVS 8710	3, Common Hill Road	no comment
TVS T2138	Bryndlewood trees	no objection
TVS 5793/3	Thatch Cottage extension	support
TVS 7529/4	Laurel Cottage	support

d) Pending Applications

TVS 5144/11	Hawkes Farm change of use
TVSM 005/2	Hughes Waste Management at Hunts Farm
TVS 4683/2	Inglenook Cottage
TVS 8710	3, Common Hill Road
TVS 5793/3	Thatch Cottage extension
TVS 7529/4	Laurel Cottage

e) Braishfield Garage

*RESOLVED* - To note that a separate meeting has been held and that further developments are awaited.

f) Fairbournes Farm

*RESOLVED* - To note that an application has been submitted for several houses and a new dairy unit.

25. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Village Hall sign

*RESOLVED* - That following the agreement of the Village Hall Management Committee, the Clerk orders a sign from HCC.

b) Eldon Lane slurry

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk asks TVBC environmental health what action they are taking.

c) Kiln Lane heavy goods vehicles

*RESOLVED* - To monitor the situation.

d) Road Safety

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk asks the Police when the last speed check was carried out in the village.

That the Clerk writes to the companies at Hawkes Farm and Pucknall Farm expressing concern at the speed of lorries in Common Hill Road.

That the Clerk invites Jim Soutar of HCC to attend a meeting at which Braishfield Road will be examined for road safety, near its junction with the northern end of Church Lane,.

e) Highway Maintenance

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk writes to the Area Surveyor concerning potholes in Dummers Road and flooding at its junction with Common Hill Road, damage to Common Hill Road surface and Megana Way road surface.

26. FOOTPATHS

*RESOLVED* - To note that Andrew Lalonde has yet to report on his discussions with the landowners about the condition of certain stiles.

That Councillors formulate a response to the Rights of Way consultative document to be submitted by 15<sup>th</sup> October.

That the Clerk writes to the owner of Merriemeade Farm about his dog guarding the adjacent footpath as well as the Farm.

27. VILLAGE POND

*RESOLVED* - To note that Mike Prince will contact BTCV for assistance with the planting of native reeds etc.

28. RECREATION GROUND

a) Playground equipment

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk asks TVBC to carry out a professional inspection twice a year.

b) Boundary Fence

*RESOLVED* - To consider the breakdown of costs at the next Meeting.

c) Car Park

*RESOLVED* - To note that Mike Edwards is still obtaining a quotation for repairs to the car park.

d) Flagpoles

*RESOLVED* - To note that the Clerk is to submit the planning application shortly.

e) Weeds and hedge

*RESOLVED* - To note that JN Landscapes recommend the spraying of weeds early next year and that they are providing a quotation for the cutting of the hedge adjacent to the playground.

f) Grass cutting

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk writes to TVBC making the point that a football match had to be cancelled owing to long grass only ten days after it had been cut and suggesting that it is not being cut short enough.

That the letter is copied to the football club with a note added about the nettles near the car park.

g) Maintenance

*RESOLVED* - That the Clerk ascertains what has been paid in the past.

h) School use of Recreation Ground

*RESOLVED* - That the current annual fee of £150 remains unchanged.

29. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

In his report, Martin Hatley mentioned a complaint about the recycling centre at Bunny Lane and also that HCC was proposing to limit the quantity of domestic refuse allowed to be dumped.

He wanted to publicise the outings to visit the Test Valley tapestry in Andover and the Test Valley booklet on film locations, citing David Copperfield at Mottisfont.

On the planning front, Waitrose has now been given approval and Abbotswood has been withdrawn, probably to await the revised local plan.

30. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

*RESOLVED* – That the following accounts be paid:

Clerk's Salary & expenses – August and September	£142.07
Mark Fehrenbach – repairs to Recreation Ground fence	£56.98
Ampfield Parish Council – Councillors' training fee	£11.45