BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield on Wednesday 4th October 2000

PRESENT:-

A Lalonde (Chairman)

M Prince

Ms P Saunders

Mrs M Payne

M Edwards

Borough Councillor M Hatley

Apologies for absence were received from Meryl Balchin and Jem Musselwhite.

56. MINUTES

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th September 2000 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

57. HAMPSHIRE AMBULANCE SERVICE

NOTED - That the Director of Operations will be addressing the next meeting of the Parish Council on 1st November and publicity will be given to this.

58. POLICE

NOTED - That PC Preston will be attending the next meeting of the Parish Council on 1st November.

59. ROMSEY HOSPITAL APPEAL

NOTED - That the Parish Council has received a certificate from the Romsey Hospital Appeal recognising the donation of £250.

60. BRAISHFIELD COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

RESOLVED - That a sum of £200 is donated to the cost of a shadow theatre and that the Clerk writes to Miss Carter letting her know that Martin Hatley, Chairman of TVBC Arts Committee, has reported very favourably on the school's work in connection with the arts.

61. PLANNING MATTERS

a) Hawkes Farm/Pucknall Farm

RESOLVED - That the Clerk will obtain a copy of the operator's licence.

That, having received a copy of a letter from Ampfield PC about activities at Pucknall Farm, the Clerk writes to HCC Planning fully supporting the complaint and copying this to Alan Dowden and Bert Horne (TVBC Compliance Officer).

NOTED - That the Pine Emporium has again been asked by TVBC to submit an application for its sign at Pucknall Farm.

b) Planning enforcement

RESOLVED - That the Clerk copies Sarah Richards with his letter to Alan Jones and asks when a reply might be available.

NOTED - That recent changes within TVBC Planning Department allow for additional Compliance Officer posts.

c) <u>Head of Planning</u>

RESOLVED - That the Clerk invites TVBC Head of Planning to the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on 4th April 2001.

d) <u>Braishfield Garage site</u>

RESOLVED - That the Clerk writes to Archstone asking them to obtain permission for the removal of one of their trees overhanging the verge, on the grounds of safety.

e) Old Telephone exchange

RESOLVED - That the Clerk obtains a copies of earlier planning consents.

f) Planning Policy

RESOLVED - That, whilst in general 'no objection' responses should be qualified with "providing it conforms with the Borough Local Plan", all applications will be considered on their merits and benefit to the village.

g) Borough Local Plan

NOTED - That a note objecting to the Abbotswood development has been received and which will be copied to Councillors by the Clerk.

h) <u>East View</u>

NOTED - That an appeal has been lodged and that the Clerk has written to the Planning Inspector with the original objection. That the Planning Inspector has confirmed that a site visit may be attended by the Parish Council with the permission of the landowner.

i) Planning application process

RESOLVED - That the Clerk writes to the Romsey Advertiser expressing disappointment at the 'Do these plans affect you?' article being discontinued on cost grounds.

j) Applications considered or confirmed at this Meeting

RESOLVED - To make the following response:

TVS 8850/1 Braishfield Manor – garage no objection

k) Applications pending or recent outcome

TVS 7205/4	Braishfield House – chalk pit bank
TVS 1051/7	RF Salvidge Farms - extension of time
T 2325	Yew Tree Cottage, Church Lane – fell tree
TVS 8970	Manor Farm – landfill
T 2361	Boares Garden – prune trees
T 2369	The Close – fell chestnut
T 2368	Barnside – fell oak
T 2372	Swallowfield – fell tree of heaven

NOTED - That the application to fill the chalk pit adjacent to Combe Willow has now been taken on by Anna Duignan following John Robinson's departure.

That the various 'minerals and waste' applications to HCC are with their legal department and that Julia Davey will be attending a Michelmersh PC meeting on 22nd November to explain the situation including that of the concrete crusher.

62. VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT

Mandy Payne reported that it was progressing well and that there had been a well-attended meeting on 11th September. There will be a further meeting next week and an open meeting on 20th October to be attended by David Bibby of TVBC. The number of completed questionnaires is rising.

63. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Traffic calming

NOTED - That an acknowledgement has been received from Jim Soutar (HCC) to the request for a scheme for consideration and also that a letter has been received from Alan Simms concerning the dangers near his house.

RESOLVED - That a response is awaited from HCC before considering the matter further.

b) <u>Signs</u>

RESOLVED - That, TVBC having replaced some of the signs with green & white ones, the Clerk changes the request for additional black & white ones to be the same and also reports the poor state of the posts of the Dummers Road sign.

Councillors were asked to view some of the new 'plastic' road signs in the Vikings, Romsey.

64. FOOTPATHS AND POND

NOTED - That a reply is awaited from Hampshire Wildlife on the pond 'medical check-up'. Mike Prince said that a large willow tree might be responsible for damage to the clay liner and be the cause of leakage.

RESOLVED - That Andrew Lalonde will take up the matter of hedge trimming and ditch clearance along Church lane.

RESOLVED - That, following receipt of a letter from JN Landscapes about increasing the rate per grass cut to £15, the Clerk writes to Jeremy North thanking him for the work he has done over the years and accepting his new rate.

65. RECREATION GROUND

- a) Playground
 - NOTED That the Clerk has yet to discuss the inclusion of all maintenance items with Wicksteed but that a bark quotation is awaited from TVBC.
- b) <u>Flagpoles</u>
 NOTED That another quotation for the flagpole work has not been received.
- c) <u>Football Agreement</u>

 **RESOLVED That the Clerk asks the Football Club for a home fixture list.
- d) Dog bin

NOTED - That the dog bin stand has now been positioned correctly and payment has been made.

e) <u>Car park</u>

NOTED - That the car park repairs are scheduled for the week beginning 20th November.

RESOLVED - That Mike Edwards arranges for wheelchair access to the grass area to be provided at the same time as the car park repairs are done.

f) <u>Footpath</u>

RESOLVED - That, in the absence of any replies from the HCC Education Department, the Clerk writes to Alan Dowden for assistance with the footpath request and also with that for the warning lights for the school.

g) <u>Notice board</u>

NOTED - That Jem Musselwhite will advise on who might be able to construct a notice board.

RESOLVED - That the Clerk writes to TVBC concerning the possibility of a grant towards the notice board, as has happened in Ampfield.

h) Newspaper box

NOTED - That a newspaper box has been placed at the entrance to the Recreation Ground by the Braishfield Village Association which was asked to reflect on its position. The box will be operational from Sunday 8th October.

i) Hedge

RESOLVED - That, following encouragement from the Braishfield Village Hall Management Committee to trim the hedge, Andrew Lalonde will examine what needs to be done and obtain some quotations.

i) Recycling bins

NOTED - That TVBC will be refurbishing the bins (banks) and providing a larger brown glass bank.

66. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Payment of Accounts

RESOLVED – That the following accounts be paid:

Clerk's salary & expenses – September	£114.69
JN Landscapes – grass cutting and flagpole work	£517
Braishfield Village Hall – room hire	£17.50
Braishfield County Primary School – grant to shadow theatre	£200

67. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

In his report, Martin Hatley mentioned that a new planning application was expected for Fairbournes Farm, but without a dairy unit. Additionally, the Clerk mentioned he had heard that BKP were expected to make another application.

Martin Hatley also mentioned the changes to refuse collection and also the new TVBC structure with the end of the Committee system. He provided some fingerpost sign information for passing to Jem Musselwhite.

68. <u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u>

a) <u>Hazel coppice</u>

RESOLVED – That Mike Prince will speak to Clare Willett concerning the coppicing of a Hazel tree.

b) <u>Remembrance Day</u>

NOTED – That Mandy Payne will be distributing poppies in the village this year.