

# BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield  
on Tuesday 3rd September 2002

PRESENT:-

Andrew Lalonde (Chairman)  
Mandy Payne  
Sue Ransom  
Mike Prince

Apologies for absence were received from Mike Edwards, Ms P Saunders, Alan Light and Martin Hatley

62. MINUTES

AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd July 2002 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

63. POST BOX

AGREED that the Clerk complains to the Post Office about the lack of progress on a replacement for the Hill View post box, saying that its inaction was somewhat discourteous and emphasising the need for a Sunday collection.

64. NOTICEBOARDS

AGREED that the Clerk makes TVBC 'Capital' and 'Environmental Enhancement' grants for the provision of noticeboards around the Parish.

65. REFUSE COLLECTION

NOTED that the Clerk has yet to complain to TVBC about the introduction of a £10 fee for the collection of large objects from domestic properties.

66. SKATEBOARD RAMP

NOTED that Martin Hatley has 'booked' the TVBC mobile skateboard ramp for November 2003, but that there is a possibility of TVBC obtaining a second one and Braishfield being higher in the queue for this. Owing to the restricted space on the Recreation Ground it was felt that any ramp would have to be sited elsewhere.

AGREED that Mandy Payne reports back to Jacob Dugdale on the situation.

67. CORRESPONDENCE

Of the correspondence received, the following were NOTED:

Boundary Commission Review of Hampshire County Council  
HAPTC Chairman's seminar  
HAPTC Freedom of Information Act guidance  
Romsey Town Centre Scheme exhibition dates  
HAPTC AGM on 5th October 2002  
HAPTC Crime and Disorder guidance  
HAPTC mapping of open countryside progress  
HAPTC Race Relations guidance

Race Equality pack  
TVBC housing survey

68. COUNCILLOR TRAINING  
AGREED that Sue Ransom and Alan Light may attend the HAPTC training at St Thomas's Centre, Southgate Street on Wednesday 16th October at 6.40pm (for 7pm) at a cost of £6 each.
69. COMMUNITY ACTION AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
AGREED that the Clerk suggests that a visit is made at a later date.
70. TVBC REQUEST FOR SCHOOL GOVERNORS  
AGREED that Mandy Payne passes this request to the Braishfield Village News.
71. NAMING OF THE GARAGE SITE  
AGREED that ANDREW Lalonde responds to Archstone which has asked for the result of the naming competition.
72. ROMSEY POLICE  
NOTED that Inspector Jefford has been promoted to Chief Inspector of the Traffic Division and that he is being replaced by Inspector Peter Funnell.  
AGREED that Andrew Lalonde speaks to PC Preston about attendance.
73. BROADBAND INTERNET  
AGREED that Mandy Payne passes on a note from John Stone to Mike Edwards about the lack of provision of Broadband Internet in Braishfield.
74. PLANNING  
a) Applications pending or recent outcome
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| TVS 710/6  | Orchard Lodge, Braishfield Road         | Extension              |            |
| TVS 6959/2 | Wheatsheaf PH, Braishfield Road         | Extension              | Permission |
| T2724      | Beechwood, Church Lane                  | Fell trees             |            |
| TVS 3787/5 | Dog & Crook PH, Braishfield Road        | Extension              |            |
| T 2813     | April Cottage, Braishfield Road         | Fell trees             |            |
| TVS 1819/2 | 2, Crook Cottages, Braishfield Road     | New dwelling           | Refused    |
| T 2778     | Leith House, Braishfield Road           | Fell trees             |            |
| TVS 6936/6 | Wood Farm House, Eldon Road             | Extension              | Permission |
| TVS 458/3  | Bailey Down Farm, Parnholt Lane         | Extension              | Permission |
| TVS 9482/1 | Land at April Cottage, Braishfield Road | New dwelling           | Withdrawn  |
| TVS 910/3  | East View, Braishfield Road             | Appeal against refusal |            |
- b) Current Planning Applications  
AGREED to make the following responses to applications:
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|------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| TVS 235/11 | Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane | Change to B1 use | Objection due to traffic |
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TVS 2589/2	Anvil Cottage, The Square	Extension	Objection due to over-development of the plot, loss of parking and loss of view
TVS 1943/9	Fishponds Farm, Kings Somborne Road	Extension	No objection
HCC TV153	BKP, Bunny Lane	Extend period of implementation	No objection
HCC TV 153	BKP, Bunny Lane	Renewal of temporary permission	No objection providing no increase in traffic
TVS 235/9	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Convert barn to offices	Objection due to traffic
TVS 235/10	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Temporary portakabins	Not necessary if TVS 235/9 is refused else strict time limit
TVS 235/9 (revised)	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Convert barn to offices	Objection still due to traffic, particularly when combined with TVS 235/11

c) Wood Farm

AGREED that the Clerk refers the matter of the mobile home and the container to TVBC.

d) Pitt Farm Riding School

AGREED that the Clerk refers the matter of the additional work to TVBC.

e) The Coombe

NOTED that the infilling work should cease shortly, but that concern has been expressed about the amount of material being used. Noted also that George Elliott has asked HCC to ensure that the hedges along Braishfield Road are re-instated.

AGREED that George Elliott writes to Mr Sleeman with the Parish Council's support about the amount of material and that the Clerk writes to HCC requesting re-instatement of the hedges.

75. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Signpost graffiti

AGREED to thank Mike Prince for cleaning the signpost at Crook Hill.

b) Traffic Calming

AGREED that the Clerk asks WS Atkins to proceed with the traffic calming scheme between Crook Bridge and the Recreation Ground but mentions that further work is required at a later date.

c) Area Surveyor

NOTED that a reorganisation of maintenance has taken place and that the title Area Surveyor no longer exists, being replaced by Chief Engineer.

d) Street names

NOTED that TVBC has asked for information on the condition of street nameplates.

e) Highway maintenance

NOTED receipt of a copy of a letter from the Chief Engineer to Alan Dowden concerning the Parish Council's complaint about budget priorities.

AGREED to make a further complaint to Alan Dowden that the expenditure of £17000 on Parnholt Road does not represent 'Best Value'. Also agreed to invite David Cole from the Chief Engineer's Department to a future Parish Council meeting.

f) War Memorial

AGREED to thank Mike Prince for repairing one of the damaged posts at the War Memorial. Also agreed that Andrew Lalonde speaks to Mrs Bird concerning the adjacent ash tree and the fencing. Councillors are asked to inspect the condition of the inscriptions on the War Memorial.

76. FOOTPATHS AND POND

Pond

NOTED receipt of a letter from Mr Sleeman about dumping the spoil from the pond in the Coombe, but that the timings of the various works are now incompatible.

NOTED that Mike Prince has now received an agreement from the Onyx Environmental Trust for £12,000.

AGREED that Mike Prince accepts the quotation for the pond work from Browns at a cost of £6050, though this does not include the removal of an estimated 300 cu yds of spoil. The work is not expected to start for two months. Also agreed that Andrew Lalonde makes enquiries of landowners in the village about disposal of the spoil. Also agreed to give consideration to the replacement of the dipping platform, the seats and the suitability of the plants in the pond.

AGREED to congratulate Mike Prince for his work on the pond refurbishment project.

Footpaths

AGREED that the Clerk complains to HCC about the state of Footpath 11.

77. RECREATION GROUND

a) Noticeboard

NOTED that the replacement noticeboard is awaiting installation.

b) Recycling bins

NOTED that the bins have been removed and a letter has been received from TVBC hoping that a new site can be found.

c) Common land and village greens

NOTED receipt of HAPTC note on HMG policy over common land and village greens. It is not thought that this covers the Recreation Ground.

d) Flags

NOTED that the Clerk has still to ascertain the cost of flags.

e) Grass cutting

NOTED that the grass has been cut by Dave Roberts as a result, it is thought, of TVBC having missed one of its cuts.

AGREED that the Clerk writes to thank Dave Roberts for doing the work and also to complain to TVBC about the lack of grass cutting.

78. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Receipts/payments

AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses for July & August	£283.58
Audit Commission	Fee for 2000/2001	£222.08
Vokes & Beck	Clean War Memorial	£846
SPD	VDS printing	£3798

b) Audit system

NOTED receipt of the Audit Commission's annual return for 2001/2002 which requires the appointment of a second external auditor. The Clerk reported that there was widespread disquiet over the new audit arrangements and that he had personally written to the Audit Commission saying he was not prepared to carry out extra work required by it. The Parish Council supported the Clerk's action. Noted also that the issue is being raised at the forthcoming TVAPC meeting.

79. BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

NOTED that George Elliott and Rodney Robson are now the Chairman and Secretary of the Braishfield Village Association respectively.

AGREED that the Clerk sends Parish Council minutes to the new secretary.

80. RIGHT TO ROAM

NOTED that the right to roam map published on the internet does not affect Braishfield but does include an area associated with Clarendon Way near Farley.

81. VILLAGE MAP

AGREED that Mandy Payne obtains a laminated copy of the 'VDS' map and puts it on the noticeboard.

82. NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will be on Tuesday 1st October 2002.