

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield
on Tuesday 5th November 2002

PRESENT:-

Andrew Lalonde (Chairman)
Sue Ransom
Mike Prince
Mike Edwards
Alan Light
Mandy Payne
Martin Hatley (Borough Councillor)

101. MINUTES
AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st October 2002 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
102. POST BOX
NOTED that nothing further has been heard from the Royal Mail about the replacement box and that the Clerk has sent a reminder as well as writing to Sandra Gidley MP.
103. NOTICEBOARDS
NOTED that the Clerk has submitted an application for a grant from TVBC to cover half the £1088 estimated cost of four 6A4 Iroko noticeboards (without doors).
AGREED that the Parish Council is prepared to cover half this cost for the boards.
104. REFUSE COLLECTION
NOTED that no response has been received from TVBC about the complaint over the £10 fee for the collection of large objects from domestic properties. Martin Hatley agreed to make enquiries within TVBC on the amount of income this charge generated and the cost of its administration.
105. GARAGE SITE NAME
NOTED that TVBC has decided to name the former garage site 'Blackthorn Close'. Both entrances will have the same name.
106. COUNCILLOR TRAINING
NOTED that Sue Ransom and Alan Light attended the Councillor training session at HAPTC but would have preferred it to have been held soon after their appointments.
107. COUNCILLOR VACANCY
AGREED that, now TVBC has confirmed that no election is to be called and that the vacancy should be filled by co-option, the Clerk posts an advertisement around the village asking for names to be submitted to the Chairman. The Parish Council expects to make an appointment at the December Meeting.
108. CORRESPONDENCE
a) Remembrance Day
NOTED receipt of a letter from the Mayor of Test Valley asking for two minutes' silence on Remembrance Day, Monday 11th November.

b) School Open Day

NOTED receipt of an invitation from the School to attend the opening of the new Music and Drama Room on Friday 29th November. Those wishing to attend should notify the School office in advance for catering purposes.

c) Environment Agency Flooding report

NOTED that the Environment Agency is holding a Catchment Community Liaison Meeting on 10th December at 6pm. Mike Edwards said he may be able to attend.

109. PLANNINGa) Applications pending or recent outcome

TVS 235/11	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Change to B1 use	
TVS 235/9	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Convert barn to offices	Permission
TVS 235/10	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Temporary portakabins	Permission
T2724	Beechwood, Church Lane	Fell trees	
TVS 3787/5	Dog & Crook PH, Braishfield Road	Extension	Permission
T 2813	April Cottage, Braishfield Road	Fell trees	
T 2778	Leith House, Braishfield Road	Fell trees	
TVS 2589/2	Anvil Cottage, The Square	Extension	Permission
TVS 429/13	Hunters Lodge, Dores Lane	Change of use of paddock	Permission
TVS 5534/4	Elltoc, Kiln Lane	Dormer window	
T 2906	Garage site, Braishfield Road	Schedule of tree works	
T 2917	Boares Garden, Braishfield Road	Fell tree	
TVS 1819/3	2, Crook Cottages, Braishfield Road	End of terrace dwelling	
HCC TV 153	BKP, Bunny Lane	Renewal of temporary permission	
TVS 910/3	East View, Braishfield Road	Appeal against refusal	

b) New Planning Applications

AGREED to make the following responses to applications:

TVS 1049/1	The Oaks, Crook Hill	Extension	Support
TVS 9823	1, Blackthorn Close	Conservatory	No objection
TVS 1678/12	Unit 5, Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Extension for office	Strong objection
T 2950	Cuilbeg, Braishfield Road	Prune trees	Support
TVS 2960/2	Church Rooms, Church Lane	Revised extension	Support

NOTED responses made between meetings for the following:

TVS 3152/3	Heigham, Crook Hill	Conservatory	Support
T 2936	The Lichen, Newport Lane	Fell trees	No objection

c) Additional works at Braishfield House

NOTED that the Clerk is to investigate the building at Braishfield House.

d) The Coombe

NOTED receipt of a letter from HCC stating that one entrance to the chalk pit has been agreed and the other requires a landscape scheme which is yet to be approved and is currently the subject of modification.

e) 2 Crook Cottages

NOTED that the new end of terrace house is going to the planning committee on 12th November with a recommendation for permission. Apparently the Parish Council's concerns about parking on the road are not a matter for the planning application.

AGREED to monitor the situation.

f) Anvil Cottage, The Square

NOTED that approval has been given to the extension.

AGREED that the Clerk writes to TVBC asking what is the point of having a Village Design Statement if it does not appear to be taken into account.

g) TVBC Borough Local Plan

NOTED that this will be available for consultation on 3rd January 2003 until 14th February 2003. However, a series of exhibitions has been arranged, the nearest of which are as follows:

Woodley Village Hall	Monday 25th November	3pm-9pm
Woodley Village Hall	Wednesday 27th November	2pm-9pm
Romsey Town Hall	Friday 6th December	10am-9pm
Romsey Town Hall	Saturday, 7th December	10am-4pm

The plan is also expected to be available on CD ROM and the TVBC website.

h) TVBC Planning delegation

NOTED that TVBC is introducing new rules covering the submission of planning applications to the Planning Committee. A Parish Council objection to an application will only cause it to go to Committee if it is a valid planning objection.

i) Merrie Meade Farm

AGREED that the Clerk asks the TVBC enforcement officer to review the situation at Merrie Meade Farm.

j) Land near Megana Way

NOTED that the Parish Council's view has been sought on the possibility of development at and behind Fairbourne Bungalow.

AGREED not to express a view in the absence of a planning application.

k) Former garage site

NOTED receipt of a letter from Archstone Developments defining the responsibilities for ownership and maintenance of the boundaries.

AGREED that the Clerk responds saying that the Parish Council understood that the maintenance of the village hall boundary was to be transferred to the garage site. The PC also wishes the Recreation Ground boundary to be maintained to a standard agreed by it in order to avoid a repetition of past difficulties. Confirmation is to be sought that the garage site is responsible for the boundary with the allotments.

l) BKP meeting

NOTED that Mike Prince attended a meeting on behalf of Braishfield PC held by Ruth Harper-Adams with Michelmersh PC and BKP. This was a 'fence-mending' meeting and although there are no imminent applications from BKP any future ones may be submitted to a liaison meeting which might consist of two members from each Council.

110. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Traffic Calming

NOTED that the traffic calming scheme has been implemented, though some of the lines are not (yet) of the correct colour.

AGREED that in due course HCC should be pressed to introduce a scheme for the north of the village.

b) Parnholt Lane

NOTED that a response is awaited from Michael Woodhall concerning the £17000 spent on Parnholt Lane. Noted also that Richard Chinn, Chief Engineer, along with his assistant for the Test Valley area, is coming to the January meeting to explain the budget setting process. The Clerk is to let him know the matter of verge maintenance will be raised, particularly along Dore Lane.

c) Church Lane

NOTED that a response is awaited from the Traffic Commissioner about an operator's licence in Church Lane.

d) Sandy Lane crossroads

NOTED HCC intends to refurbish the 'safety scheme' at the Jermyns Lane/Sandy Lane crossroads.

e) Older drivers

NOTED receipt of a letter from HCC advertising its Older Driver Assessment scheme.

f) Vehicle size

AGREED that the Clerk writes to HMG, Sandra Gidley MP and TVAPC expressing the wish that the size of vehicles is linked to planning applications in order to restrict unnecessarily large vehicles using inappropriate roads.

g) Crook Hill footpath

AGREED that the Clerk writes to TVBC and HCC requesting a footpath between Crook Bridge and the Woodley cemetery, citing the danger to young people returning from School/College when there is no Braishfield bus.

111. FOOTPATHS AND POND

Pond

NOTED that Manzel Nurseries is due to start work next week on the pond and the lining material is on order. The haulage company is on 24 hours notice. Noted also that Barker and Geary is providing a quotation for a new dipping platform and that trees and seats need to be dealt with.

Footpaths

NOTED that Sue Ransom confirmed that Footpath 11 is clear.

112. RECREATION GROUND

a) Noticeboard

NOTED that the replacement noticeboard is awaiting installation.

b) Flags

AGREED that the Clerk purchases a Union flag and a St George flag, both 1.5 yards and sewn. The cost is expected to be £44.10 + delivery.

c) Grass cutting

NOTED that TVBC has been asked to stop cutting the grass for this season and that Alan Light intends to speak to TVBC about the arrangements for next year.

d) Trees

NOTED that two trees have blown down and that JN Landscapes has been asked to remove them. AGREED that the Clerk asks TVBC if it can supply two replacement rowan trees.

113. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Receipts/payments

AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses for October	£148.02
Royal British Legion	Remembrance Day wreath	£15

b) 2001/2002 Audit

AGREED the response to the request for a statement of assurance on the Audit Annual Return.

114. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORT

Martin Hatley drew Councillors' attention to the revised 'brown line' plan in the forthcoming Borough Local plan review. He expressed slight disappointment that no development control people had been at the recent planning training session, but that there was a possibility of holding another session next year with the Head of Planning along with development control, again at Ampfield Village Hall. Councillors expressed interest in this.

115. NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will be on Tuesday 3rd December 2002.