

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield
on Tuesday 22nd February 2005

PRESENT:-

Andrew Lalonde (Chairman)
Mike Prince
Alan Light
Mike Edwards

Apologies for absence were received from Jean Lowe, Mandy Payne and Sue Ransom

134. MINUTES
AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th January 2005 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
135. CLERKS' CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT
The Clerk was asked to prepare a draft conditions of employment for consideration by the Council.
136. HOME FRONT RECALL
The Home Front Recall Grant application pack is to be circulated around Councillors. The closing date for applications is 31st March 2005.
137. PUCKNALL NOTICEBOARD
Andrew Lalonde said he has been unable to contact Richard Brazier on the siting of a noticeboard at Pucknall.
138. HCC SERVICES
Leaflets relating to HCC services were passed to Alan Light for onward transmission to Mandy Payne. The Clerk was asked to send other leaflets about the services to Jill Allison.
139. STANDARDS BOARD FOR ENGLAND
The SBE is consulting on possible changes to its codes and a list of questions which Parish Councils might like to consider is to be put on circulation to Councillors.
140. TEST VALLEY STANDARDS COMMITTEE
The Chairman of the Test Valley Standards Committee has responded to the Council's letter to HAPTC saying that it would be put before the next Committee meeting.
141. PLANNING
a) Applications pending or recent outcome
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| TVS 1069/1 | 5 Megana Way | Detached annexe | Conditional nobj | Refused |
| TVS 5832/4 | Colsons Barn, Church Lane | Front extension | Nobj | |

TVS 5832/5	Colsons Barn, Church Lane	Rear extension	Nobj	Permission
TVS 10225	Land next to Potters Clay	Appeal against refusal of erection of workshop	Nobj	
TVS 7873/1	Briar Banks, Crook Hill	Extensions Scheme 1	Nobj	Permission
TVS 7873/2	Briar Banks, Crook Hill	Extensions Scheme 2	Nobj	Refused

PC original response - Sup supported, Obj objected, Nobj no objection

b) New Planning Applications

AGREED to make the following responses to applications:

TVS 9482/2	April Cottage, Braishfield Road	Extension	No objection
CA100/18	7 Newport Lane	Tree work	No objection

c) Caravan and Pucknall studios

The Clerk reported that there has been no further news on these items.

d) Chapel Works, Newport Lane

A meeting with the Head of Planning on the principle of failing to address non-compliance issues is to be held before the next Parish Council meeting. Mike Edwards was asked to fix a date for this.

e) VDS and Conservation Area

The Clerk circulated the correspondence received from Sandra Gidley MP. The Clerk was asked to thank her and to suggest a rejection of the ODPM reply, saying that it is cheap to keep the amount of records in question, that the Conservation Area policy was not taken into account and that it is totally inappropriate for the Inspectorate to 'police' itself.

f) South East Plan

The South East plan documentation is still on circulation around Councillors.

g) Land adjacent to Potters Clay

The Clerk reported that there has been no news on the appeal for this site.

h) RFS Farms application

The Clerk reported that Julia Davey of HCC has said that Braishfield Parish Council will receive a copy of the application and that she apologised for not consulting the Council. When this information is received the Clerk will circulate it along with the response which the BVA has made.

The Clerk was asked to make a very strong complaint to Julia Davey, copy to Alan Dowden, about the lack of consultation and suggesting that it was deliberate as it is not in HCC's interest to consult widely on contentious waste matters for which it is responsible for both managing and giving approval. The Clerk is to demand an explanation as to why there was no consultation and to insist that the expiry date is put back to the end of March at the earliest.

142. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Highway maintenance

The Clerk was asked to complain about the standard of highway maintenance, particularly in Kiln Lane and on the Crook Hill bend. The maintenance work in Braishfield Road, where there is still a hole in the carriageway, may not yet have been completed, but will be monitored.

b) Manure

Andrew Lalonde said that he has spoken to the manager of the egg farm at Slackstead.

c) Fire hydrants

The fire hydrants have been painted and Mr Graham Stark of Fire & Rescue has agreed to attend the Annual Parish Meeting to explain the management of these, together with a colleague who will address safety risk issues.

143. FOOTPATHS AND POND

a) Footpaths

The stile on Footpath 2 beyond the end of Megana Way has been repaired.

Andrew Lalonde said that he has spoken to Mr Ollivant concerning the tree up Eldon Lane and the stile near Cherry Hill.

b) Pond

Nothing to report.

144. RECREATION GROUND

a) Fencing

The Clerk reported that he has received a letter and telephone call from Julia Scoggins concerning the height of the Recreation Ground fence. The Clerk was asked to respond saying that the replacement fence work has been completed.

b) Newspaper box

The Clerk has put the names of the bollard key holders in the Newspaper box.

c) Recreation Ground Trees

Work is proceeding on the tree work. Andrew Lalonde said that the TVBC Arboricultural man should be asked to come and inspect the work when completed.

d) Braishfield Flower Show

It was agreed that the Horticultural Society may hold the Flower Show on the Recreation Ground on Saturday 16th July 2005.

e) Pavilion ownership

The Clerk has written to the Football Club asking for its views on the ownership of the pavilion should the FC go bust.

The current licence suggests that ownership is with the 'Grantors' (ie the Parish Council).

145. FINANCIAL MATTERS

AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses for February	£162.48
Audit Commission	2003/4 Audit	£141
HAPTC	Subscription	£146
Wicksteed Leisure	Playground inspection	£105.76

146. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 22nd March 2005 at 7pm.
The Annual Parish Meeting will be on Tuesday 26th April 2005.