

# BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield  
on Tuesday 6th March 2007

PRESENT:-

Mike Prince (Chairman)  
Sue Ransom  
Kate Marshall  
Jean Lowe  
Mike Edwards  
Andrew Lalonde (part time)

124. MINUTES  
AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th January 2007 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
125. NEWSPAPER BOX  
Ben Kington has repaired the roof to the newspaper box on the Recreation Ground.  
  
The Clerk was asked to place an order with him for work to the soakaway in the corner of the car park, to include a mud catchment chamber at a cost of £786.79.
126. LICENSING ACT 2003  
HAPTC has advised that a Parish Council is regarded as an interested party able to make representations under the Act.
127. PARISH COUNCILLORS' GUIDE  
The Clerk was asked to order one copy of this publication from HAPTC at a cost of £13.50. The Clerk said he expects to obtain copies of the shorter 'Good Councillor's Guide' free of charge for each of the new Councillors after the election.
128. CODE OF CONDUCT  
It was noted that responses to the consultation on the Code of Conduct review need to be in by 9th March 2007.
129. CHURCHYARD GRASS CUTTING  
Kate Marshall declared a personal interest in this item.  
  
The PCC has written to the Council asking for a grant towards the maintenance of the Churchyard and has enclosed a copy of its latest accounts. The Council asked for the accounts to be circulated before making a decision at the next meeting.
130. COUNCIL ELECTIONS  
The Clerk reported that the call for nominations for the new Council will be made by 13th March and that nominations must be with TVBC by noon on Wednesday 4th April 2007.

The Clerk was asked to put a note in the Braishfield Village News about the election on 3rd May and the need for parishioners to put their names forward.

131. QUALITY PARISH COUNCILS

The Quality Parish Council Scheme is due to be reviewed but the Council has been informed of a delay to this and that existing rules will therefore apply to Councils after the May elections.

132. CHURCH CLOCK

Kate Marshall declared a personal interest in this item.

The PCC has informed the Council that it will not be pursuing an application for a grant towards the upgrading of the Church Clock.

133. NATIONAL GRID PIPELINE

National Grid has informed local Councils that it has submitted an environmental statement for the installation of the Barton Stacey to Lockerley pipeline. This may be viewed at TVBC Beech Hurst until 6th April.

134. PLANNING

a) Applications pending or recent outcome

06/3338/F	Orchard Lodge, Braishfield Road	Greenhouse	Nobj	Permission
06/3330/F	Tregoyd House, Braishfield Road	Replacement dwelling	Nobj	Permission
07/36/CLES	Lower Crook Hill Farm	Storage of car parts etc (Class B8)	Nobj	
06/3541/F	Oaklands, Braishfield Road	Conservatory	Nobj	Permission
06/3397/F	Newlands, Kiln Lane	Raising of roof with alterations and extensions	Obj	Withdrawn
06/3583/F	Annies Cottage, Newport Lane	First floor extension		Withdrawn

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

b) New Planning Applications

The Council commented on applications as follows:

07/42/F	Fairbournes Farm, Kiln Lane	Restoration work, relocation of barns and construction of 7 dwellings		Strong objection
07/159/F	Newlands, Kiln Lane	Alterations and extensions		Objection owing to size in relation to adjacent properties
06/1952/F	12 Hill View	Appeal against refusal for a pair of semi-detached houses		To make no further response
07/332/F	Annies Cottage, Newport Lane	First floor extension		No objection
07/133/F	The Sheiling, Braishfield Road	Single storey extension and detached garage		Support

07/501/F	Old Stables, Lower Street	2 storey extension	No objection
07/345/F	Lionwood, Braishfield Road	Retrospective application for dormer window and sun pipe	Objection owing to insufficient information

c) Fairbournes Farm

Although the Council discussed this application at length it quickly came to the conclusion that a Parish Meeting needed to be held and that the closing date of 23rd March was too soon for this. Numerous objections and queries were raised but the Council preferred to make a final response after the Parish Meeting. A Parish Meeting was set for Tuesday 17th April and the Clerk was asked to make a very strong objection to TVBC about the plans as submitted and to request a postponement of the closing date until after the Meeting. The Clerk was also asked to invite both Mr Garretts to the meeting.

Mike Edwards volunteered to produce a notice for the boards and the Braishfield Village News.

Jean Lowe reported that Clive John is having the application examined professionally and has asked for a postponement of the closing date for comments.

d) Lionwood

An objection was made to the application for retrospective approval of some works at Lionwood on the grounds that insufficient information has been provided. The particular concern of the Council in instances like this one is that no information is given on what has been previously approved, whereas in a normal application 'before' and 'after' plans are mandatory.

The Clerk was asked to respond to TVBC's request for clarification on the 'insufficient' information objection and also to write to the Head of Planning yet again on this matter in general.

e) Documents to be circulated

The Clerk was asked to circulate the following planning-related documents:

SEERA - Partial Review of the South East Plan - comments by 30th March

HCC - Minerals and Waste newsletter

SEERA - Regional Housing Strategy Review - comments by 27th April

HCC - Planning Hampshire's Future

f) Newlands, Kiln Lane

A letter from Mr Gay of Newlands describing the alterations he has made to his application has been received by the Council. This was noted as the application is now before the Southern Area Planning Committee.

g) BKP Meeting

The Clerk was asked to publish the Minutes of recent BKP meetings on the website.

h) Recreation Ground trees

It was noted that an application has been made on behalf of the Council (by Banyards) to TVBC to lop some of the trees on the Recreation Ground and that approval is awaited.

135. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) School Travel Plan

Kate Marshall said that the School has now submitted its travel plan.

b) Highway maintenance

The Clerk was asked to report the pothole at the far end of Pucknall to the Assistant Chief Engineer and also the flooding ditches at Crook Hill and at the junction of Dummers Road and Common Hill Road. The Clerk was also asked to enquire about the frequency of maintenance of drains.

Councillors were asked to raise any needs for highway maintenance at the next meeting.

c) Church Lane trees

The BVA has raised the matter of dangerous trees in Church Lane opposite the Church Rooms. The Clerk was asked to forward this to the TVBC Arboricultural team for them to take up the matter with the landowner responsible, if necessary

d) Dog fouling

Andrew Lalonde joined the meeting at this point.

Kate Marshall mentioned that there have been complaints about dog fouling in the village. Apparently a note to this effect from a parishioner might appear in the forthcoming Braishfield Village News.

136. FOOTPATHS AND POND

The Clerk was asked to report the leaning signpost at the footpath along Paynes Hay Road.

137. RECREATION GROUND

a) Playground and fencing

The Clerk has obtained a quotation from Dave Hillary for repair works to the fences and gates. However, the Council preferred to have a fully post and rail fence either side of the Common Hill Road entrance and the Clerk will speak to Dave Hillary about this.

b) Police

The Police have informed the Clerk that they now visit Braishfield Recreation ground on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10.00am, rather than at 11.0am. Kate Marshall has received a poster about this change for display.

c) Grass cutting

The Clerk was asked to accept the quotation for 15 cuts of the Recreation Ground in 2007 at a total cost of £552.15.

d) Parking

Andrew Lalonde raised the matter of continued unauthorised overnight parking on the Recreation Ground car park. The Council decided to continue monitoring the situation.

138. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

HAPTC	Annual subscription	£173.00
Shaw & Sons	Financial interests' declaration forms	£24.36
JBF Rhodes	Salary and expenses for January and February	£328.04

b) Financial position

The Clerk reported that the Council's bank account stands at £9340.59

c) Bank Mandate

The Clerk reported that he has not yet altered the Bank mandate and advised that there was now little point in doing this until after the election. This was agreed.

139. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was agreed that the CPRE is asked to address the Annual Parish Meeting on 3rd April 2007. The Clerk will ask Borough and County Councillors for written reports to be presented to the meeting.

140. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 3rd April 2007 at 6.30pm to be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 8.00pm.