

# BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield  
on Tuesday 7th October 2008

PRESENT:-

Mike Prince (Chairman)  
Carole Renvoize  
Dorothy Ross

Apologies for absence were received from Kate Marshall, Mike Edwards, Simon Palmer and Andrew Lalonde

65. MINUTES

AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd September 2008 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

66. WAR MEMORIAL

The Clerk was asked to contact Blackwell & Moody about the timing of the repair work to the War Memorial. He was also asked to investigate the possibility of a grant towards the work from Test Valley.

The annual letter has been received from the Mayor of Test Valley asking if Church bells could be rung either side of the two minutes' silence on Remembrance Day. Mike Prince said he would speak to Bruce Kington about it.

67. LAND FOR SALE

It was noted that the agricultural land in Common Hill Road has been sold as a single plot.

68. 3rd SECTOR QUESTIONNAIRE

A questionnaire on the 3rd sector relating to the War Memorial was passed to Mike Prince for possible completion.

69. RECREATION GROUND CAR PARK

Transform Medical has declined to contribute towards the cost of repairing the car park surface.

70. SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOL

The Council considered a plan received from Hampshire County Council. The Clerk was asked to give the Council's permission to the County Council for the construction of a short path across the Recreation Ground from the northern boundary of the School on to Braishfield Road. The work would be at no cost to the Parish Council or, apparently, directly to the School itself.

71. BRAISHFIELD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The School Association has asked if a 20' x 8' container could be accommodated on the Recreation Ground behind the pavilion. This would be for the storage of equipment used by the Association.

The Council was reluctant to agree to the request for a number of reasons. It is very doubtful whether the Charity Commission would agree to it, bearing in mind the difficulties being

experienced with the pavilion. Planning permission would almost certainly be required and it is unlikely permission would be given for such an object in a Conservation Area. The Council was also concerned about the setting of a precedent.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Association saying that it did not wish to give permission.

## 72. PLANNING

### a) Applications pending or recent outcome

08/475/OUTS	800 houses etc	Abbotswood		
08/01684/CMAS	Extension of time	BKP, Bunny Lane	Obj	Refused
08/02039/FULLS	Extension	Heigham, Braishfield Road	Nobj	

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

### b) New Planning Applications

The Council commented on applications as follows:

08/475/OUTS	Significant amendments to 800 houses etc	Abbotswood	No further comment other than to object to a Mini roundabout at the end of Woodley Lane
08/02272/FULLS	Reconstruction of rear garage section	Seven Pines, Braishfield Road	No objection, but noting the existence of bats in the property
08/02282/TREES	Tree work	Allotments, Braishfield Road	Council to accept the arboricultural officer's view but to mention the existence of an underground gas tank in the vicinity
08/02225/FULLS	Replacement extension etc	Thatched Barn, Paynes Hay Road	No objection

### c) Local Development Framework

The TVBC LDF should be available for consultation this autumn.

## 73. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

### a) Highway maintenance

The Clerk will complain to HCC about the poor standard of pothole repairs and the fact that the one by the pond has not been repaired at all.

### b) Speed limit

It was noted that the 30mph speed limit has been implemented and also that Simon Palmer has volunteered to take charge of the publicity signs as well as being the contact point for the illuminated speed sign. The Clerk will get in touch with Allan Clark, who is the Ampfield rep on the matter and confirm the arrangements with TVBC to sort out the sign locations. As some of the work might be in the daytime, Mike Prince will stand in when or if necessary.

It has been noted and reported to HCC that the Crouay sign is missing, that the 30mph signs are at different heights (and obstructed by trees) and that there is a sign warning drivers to slow down as they pass from the 30mph limit into the 40mph zone. The Clerk will chase HCC to see what is being done about these matters.

74. FOOTPATHS AND PONDa) Footpath maintenance

Dorothy Ross will be in touch with Wayne Challender again to finalise footpath maintenance arrangements. The Community Service people will be allowed to use the Church Rooms and the Council might make a donation to the Church Rooms in recognition of this.

b) Hilliers footpath change

Mike Prince has not yet had the chance to speak to John Hillier about the footpath change.

c) Pond Maintenance

Some trimming work has been done to the trees but the Clerk will arrange for some more to be done.

d) Pond Seats

Mike Prince has not yet had the chance to speak to Ben Kington about the removal of two of the seats at the pond.

75. RECREATION GROUNDa) Playground gates

The Clerk reported that the playground gates have been repaired.

b) Playground equipment

Kate Marshall reported by a note that the design requirements have been sent off to the playground designers, so quotations may be available at the next meeting.

The Clerk is to find out more about the dates for the Playbuilder Capital Fund.

c) Bottle bank

The Clerk has not heard further from TVBC about the bottlebanks.

d) Car park repairs

Mike Edwards is assessing what repairs are required to the car park.

e) Pavilion

The Braishfield Village Association has suggested that funds for a new pavilion might be available from the Community Spaces Scheme. The Clerk was asked to find out more about this and obtain an application form.

76. FINANCIAL MATTERS

AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses for September	£169.90
Information Commissioner	Data Protection fee	£35.00
Royal British Legion	Wreath	£18.00
Dave Hillary	Playground maintenance	£160.00

77. AOB

It was asked whether there has been any progress in the improvements of the Church Rooms. The Council was unaware of anything.

The poor state of the culvert on the corner of Common Hill Road and Dummers Road was mentioned. This is to be reported to Hampshire County Council again.

Mike Prince volunteered to look at the cracked glass in the bus shelter.

78. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 4th November 2008.