

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield
on Tuesday 21st July 2009

PRESENT:-

Mike Edwards (Chairman)
Kate Marshall
Andrew Lalonde
Carole Renvoize

Apologies for absence were received from Mike Prince and Dorothy Ross.

27. MINUTES
Subject to the Clerk's salary being related to May, rather than April, in Minute 23, it was AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd June 2009 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
28. VILLAGE HALL BOARD
The Clerk was asked to order a solid light oak 33"x24" landscape unframed bow-topped honours board from Greenbarnes at a cost of £191.30 + VAT.
29. VICTIM SUPPORT
It was agreed to make a donation of £60 to Victim Support.
30. HOME-START EASTLEIGH
It was agreed to make a donation of £60 to Home-Start Eastleigh.
31. COUNCILLOR VACANCY
The Returning Officer has asked the Council to co-opt a villager on to the Council to fill the vacancy as an election has not been called. The Clerk will post notices around the village and Councillors are asked to publicise the vacancy amongst villagers.
32. STANDING ORDERS
It was agreed to adopt the Standing Orders dated 21st July 2009 which had been circulated previously by the Clerk.
33. SCHOOL ADMISSIONS
The Clerk will post a school admissions for 2010 notice on the board by the school.
34. PLANNING
a) Applications pending or recent outcome
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| 09/00450/CMAS | RFS Farms, Bunny Lane | Change of conditions | | Permission |
| 09/00889/FULLS | Yew Tree Cottage, Church Lane | Extension | Nobj | Permission |
| 09/00846/FULLS | 14, Hill View | Replacement extension | Nobj | Permission |

09/00888/TREES	Cherry Hill, Braishfield Road	Tree works	Nobj	21st July 2009 Permission
09/00695/FULLS	The Lichens, Newport Lane	Extensions	Obj	Withdrawn
09/00946/CLES	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	CLE for occupied mobile home	Obj	Certificate refused

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

b) New Planning Applications

09/01389/TREES	2 Pond Cottages	Tree work	No objection
09/01382/TREES	Amberley, Braishfield Road	Tree work	No objection
09/010205/CMAS	Hunts Farm Quarry, Rudd Lane	Extension of time	Objection owing to continual requests for delays over the past fourteen years
09/01330/FULLS	Lionwood, Braishfield Road	Detached Garage	No objection

c) Statement of Community Involvement

The Council declined to comment on TVBC's Statement of Community Involvement.

d) Affordable housing

There has been no response yet from Community Action Hampshire to the Parish Council's suggestion of an alternative site.

e) Core Strategy update

The Council noted TVBC's update letter on the Core Strategy.

f) Integrated sustainability appraisal

The Council noted HCC's Integrated sustainability appraisal letter.

g) Rural settlements boundary review

TVBC has called for comments on the boundary review by 28th August, but the Council has also been invited to a session with Ampfield Parish Council and TVBC on 17th August at 7pm. It was agreed that a response could be formulated after this meeting. At this stage, the Clerk and Mike Edwards volunteered to attend.

h) Green space strategy

The Council has been asked by TVBC to make suggestions about projects which could be funded by Developers' contributions imposed at the time of any planning permission. It was suggested that the playground refurbishment and trim trail could be submitted. Mike Edwards volunteered to deal with this request.

35. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Water leak

It appears that the water leak in Dummers Road has been fixed.

b) Camera signs

The police have not yet responded to the Council's complaint about the camera signs. The Clerk will chase a reply.

c) 30mph signs

HCC has not yet modified the unsatisfactory 30mph signs. The Clerk will send a letter of complaint to HCC.

d) Highway maintenance

The Council was pleased that there has been significant maintenance work carried out to the highways. However, the Clerk was asked to chase up the matter of the Common Hill/Dummers Road culvert.

The Clerk was also asked to enquire of HCC the position of the kerb work in Bunny Lane. In particular, he is to ask if there are any further plans and why the kerbing is missing in certain areas.

36. FOOTPATHS

a) The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Olivant concerning the cutting of trees obstructing a public footpath across his land.

b) It was noted that the stiles on FP1 are still unsatisfactory.

c) Mike Edwards volunteered to investigate the report of a tree requiring attention on FP 13.

d) Ben Kington has attended to the undergrowth along FP 12.

37. POND

There was no progress to report on the replacement seat.

The Council accepted the quotation from JN Landscapes for grass cutting at the pond on a regular basis.

38. RECREATION GROUND

a) Dr Hunt trail

The Clerk reported that it is likely that the area which would require cutting by mower/trimmer would cost between £20 and £30 a cut. The gang mowing is carried out 15 times a year at a cost of £39 a cut.

The Clerk was asked to write to the BVA saying that the Parish Council would take on responsibility for maintenance and insurance of the proposed trim trail.

b) Drains

The Village Hall has obtained 3 quotations for the replacement of 9 manhole covers. Two of the quotations were relatively close but there remained a slight difficulty with the VAT as this was not necessarily applicable to all the quotations. It was noted that if a joint order is placed (by the Parish Council) then the Village Hall must not be seen to be benefiting from the Parish Council's ability to reclaim VAT from HMC&E.

It was agreed that the cost would be shared equally between the Parish Council and Village Hall and that Mike Edwards would consider the VAT issue and make the final decision.

It was noted that Dyno-Rod had to be called out for a second time to deal with a different blocked drain on the Recreation Ground.

Additional manhole covers observed near the pavilion are not covered by the current quotations and will be dealt with separately.

c) Playground grant

Viridor has agreed to make a grant of approximately £10,000 towards the new playground. TVBC has also agreed to make a similar grant.

The Clerk and Mike Edwards will be meeting a representative of SITA on Wednesday 22nd July at 1pm in connection with another grant application.

d) Playground inspection

A very lengthy report has been carried out on the state of the playground. It raised numerous points but considered all were low risk. In view of the hoped-for replacement of the playground it was decided to take no action, other than to attend the SITA meeting armed with it.

e) Trees

The Clerk was asked to get TVBC to look at the Beech trees on the southern boundary of the Recreation Ground overhanging and obstructing the public footway.

39. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses for June	£173.84
Play Inspection Company	Playground Inspection	£172.50
Dyno-Rod	Drains maintenance	£92.00
Ben Kington	Maintenance	£140.00
JN Landscapes	Pond grass cutting	£258.75
Home-Start Eastleigh	Donation	£60
Victim Support	Donation	£60
Ian Knight	Tree work	£40.00
GDM Surfacing Contractors	Car park maintenance	£3178.60

b) Bank Accounts

The Clerk reported that there is £6779.90 in the bank accounts.

c) 2008/9 Audit return

The Council agreed that the Chairman signs the 2008/2009 Audit Form. The Clerk said that the internal audit will be carried out on 11th August.

40. REPORTS OF PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Carole Renvoize attended a Transport Forum at which many of the usual questions were asked but the people who could answer them did not attend.

She volunteered to consider creating a survey questionnaire in an attempt to determine bus usage in the village and what service would suit people best.

41. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 1st September 2009 at 7.00pm.