

# BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield  
on Tuesday 6th October 2009

PRESENT:-

Mike Prince (Chairman)  
Mike Edwards  
Dorothy Ross  
Carole Renvoize

Apologies for absence were received from Kate Marshall and Andrew Lalonde.

63. MINUTES  
AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st September 2009 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
64. VILLAGE HALL BOARD  
The Clerk has ascertained that the name of the Clerk 1982-84 was Mike Sherwood. It was agreed that the board recently obtained will be inscribed with the names of Chairmen and Clerks in black writing with a font similar to Times Roman and that the Clerk will speak to Rod Hoyle about the work.
65. AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
It was noted that John Lancaster has visited Darren Windibank about the site for affordable housing. The site is still being investigated by Community Action Hampshire.
66. CPRE SEMINAR  
Dorothy Ross expressed an interest in attending the seminar at Sutton Scotney entitled "Enhance the countryside in your Parish".
67. LAND REGISTRATION  
The Clerk was asked to pursue the matter of registration of the Recreation Ground.
68. ROMSEY RUGBY CLUB  
The Council has been invited to the Romsey Rugby Club pavilion opening session on Saturday 10th October. Councillors wishing to attend were asked to contact Nick Smith using contact details supplied in an email by the Clerk.
69. REMEMBRANCE DAY  
It was noted that the Mayor of Test Valley has asked that the Church bells are rung on Remembrance Day. The Clerk confirmed he has ordered a wreath from the Royal British Legion (to be collected on 31st October 10am-2pm).
70. SITA PLAYGROUND GRANT  
It was noted that SITA UK has informed Sandra Gidley MP of its grant towards the playground refurbishment.

71. TVBC SECTION 106 MONEY

Test Valley Borough Council has agreed to release £3274.96 of Section 106 money to the Parish Council for the playground refurbishment. The Clerk has given TVBC the Parish Council's bank details to enable the money to be paid.

72. PLANNINGa) Applications pending or recent outcome

09/01453/FULLS	The Lichen, Newport Lane	Extensions	Nobj	Permission
09/010205/CMAS	Hunts Farm Quarry, Rudd Lane	Extension of time	Obj	
09/01330/FULLS	Lionwood, Braishfield Road	Detached Garage	Nobj	Withdrawn

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

b) New Planning Applications

The Council considered new planning applications as follows:

09/01745/FULLS	Baileys Down Farm, Parnholt Lane	2-storey extension	No objection
09/01935/TREES	Braishfield Recreation Ground	Tree work	No response to be made as the Council is the applicant

c) TVBC Statement of Community Involvement

The draft Statement of Community Involvement was noted.

d) Bunny Lane noise

A response has been received from Hampshire County Council saying it will endeavour to ensure that the noise does not happen again.

e) Section 106 statement

The current statement from TVBC on Section 106 money was noted.

f) TVBC Core Strategy

The formal withdrawal of the Core Strategy by TVBC was noted.

g) Test Valley Housing Land availability

This document lists numerous plots which could potentially be developed with housing. The Clerk was asked to make a strong objection to three of the sites located near Braishfield. These are two located at Ganger Farm and one at Bracken Wood. The Clerk was also asked to write to Martin Hatley expressing the objection.

h) Test Valley Access plan

A letter has been received from Test Valley Borough Council essentially stating where Section 106 money might be spent in future on improving highways and footpaths etc in the Parishes. The letter identified a need for £40,000 to be spent on "Crossing improvements" and "Traffic Calming". The letter stated that these works have been identified by the Safer Routes to School Scheme.

The Council was somewhat disappointed that the works and their costs were rather vague and that it had not been consulted about them. The Clerk was asked to write to Test Valley Borough Council asking for clarification on the proposals and stating the Council's requirements. These are

a re-alignment of the Common Hill Road junction which would perform a traffic calming function near the School, a footpath at Crook Hill and a crossing somewhere near the Crook bridge which would be necessary to join the new footpath to the existing one. This crossing would also perform a traffic calming function.

i) Green Space Strategy

Mike Edwards volunteered to respond to TVBC's request stating that a replacement football pavilion project should be the recipient of future Section 106 monies.

j) Parish Boundary Review

A map prepared by Mike Edwards to replace the 'brown line' policy of the 2005 Borough Local Plan for Braishfield was discussed. Broadly speaking, this followed the existing brown lines (with some additions) but turning them into areas by extending them round the back of houses. Some discussion took place on how far behind the houses the line should be placed, bearing in mind the wish to restrict any backland or tandem development. Mike Edwards agreed to amend his map and post it to the Clerk for sending to TVBC.

73. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) 30mph signs

HCC has now lowered the height of the 30mph signs at the entrance to the village and, following a request from the Chairman, put in hand the manufacture of a new twinning sign.

b) Camera signs

A letter has been received from the Safer Roads Partnership saying that it would be happy to remove the camera signs from the village. The Clerk was asked to write to them to remove the signs apart from the one at the entrance to the village.

c) Highway maintenance

The Clerk was asked to report two potholes in Church Lane to Hampshire Highways Test Valley.

74. FOOTPATHS

There was nothing to report on footpaths.

75. POND

A comment was made that being under the trees by the pond is not an ideal location for the new seat. It was agreed that the trees should receive a good cut and the Clerk was asked to organise this. The location of the seat will be reviewed after the tree work has been done.

76. RECREATION GROUND

a) Playground

Mike Prince volunteered to complete an online ENTRUST questionnaire. The refurbishment work of the playground starts on Monday 12th October and is expected to last for three weeks. The Village Hall drain which passes under the playground has been noted, but appears not to be of concern as it is too deep.

The Romsey Advertiser article on the playground was placed by Viridor which explains why there was no mention of SITA.

A sign acknowledging contributions from Viridor, Test Valley Borough Council and SITA will need to be provided.

b) Beech Trees

It was noted that the Council has made an application to prune the trees, including a horse chestnut, on the southern boundary of the Recreation Ground. The Clerk has made a 'catch all' application but the Council does not need to do all the work requested if it so wishes.

c) Recreation Ground maintenance

The matters of the manholes and the maintenance work around the village hall and car park have yet to be discussed with Richard Brazier. Norman Fielder will cease to do the maintenance work at the end of the year.

d) Fitness trail

A letter has been received from the Fieldings expressing concern about the proposed fitness trail on the Recreation Ground. It was agreed that the Clerk passes the letter to George Elliott, Chairman of the BVA, and replies to the letter saying that the concerns have been noted and passed to the BVA, but that the Council will ultimately be responsible for any decision on the trail.

The letter also referred to the seat at the pond. Mike Prince said he would speak to Roy White about the possibility of a note in the Braishfield Village News about his donating the seat.

77. FINANCIAL MATTERSa) AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses for September	£177.11
Information Commissioner	DP Act fee	£35.00
Royal British Legion	Wreath	£19.00
ID Knight	Tree work	£110.00

b) 2008/9 Audit

The Clerk reported that the Audit Commission has completed the 2008/9 audit with the only comment being that the accounts should be approved by 30th June.

c) Bank Accounts

The Clerk reported that there is £8386.86 in the two bank accounts. All precept money has been received .

78. AOB

Mike Edwards volunteered to take photographs of the playground before the refurbishment work starts.

79. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 3rd November 2009 at 7.00pm.