

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield
on Tuesday 7th December 2010

PRESENT:-

Mike Prince (Chairman)
Dorothy Ross
Carole Renvoize
Mike Edwards
Camilla Horton

Apologies for absence were received from Kate Marshall and Nick Virgo

98. MINUTES

Agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd November 2010 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

99. POWER INTERRUPTION

It was noted that there was a power interruption in the northern part of the village for about 2½ hours the previous evening.

100. CHURCHYARD EXTENSION

Mike Prince said that he has informed the PCC that the Council would be willing to consider a request for financial assistance with the Churchyard extension.

101. RFS FARMS

The meeting was opened in order to allow representatives of RFS Farms (Nicky Salvidge, John Slade and Michael Woodhall) to make a short presentation on their planning application to make the Bunny Lane operation permanent and to extend the site. Nicky Salvidge said that there was a lot of infrastructure in place which needed financing and this was difficult with temporary permission when contracts of, say, five years were necessary. The extension of the site was essentially because Waltet needs more room.

There was along discussion on a number of matters associated with the application, including the proposed footpath change, but the Council decided to take more time to consider the application. A response is not required by Hampshire County Council until 7th January, which is after the next meeting.

102. FOSTER CARERS

Some publicity material has been received from Hampshire County Council asking for help to find foster carers. The Clerk was asked to forward the letter to the Braishfield Village Association and to ask Hampshire County Council for more posters and any short material suitable for inclusion in a village newsletter.

103. SNOWDROPS

As a result of a request via the Braishfield Horticultural Society, the Clerk was asked to find out the cost of snowdrops from Test Valley Borough Council.

104. WOODLEY POST OFFICE

The Post Office has acknowledged receipt of the Council's letter asking for a Post Office to be located at Abbotswood. It was suggested that the Council should resume lobbying for this in the future.

105. PLANNINGa) Applications pending or recent outcome

10/01031/RESS	Abbotswood, Braishfield Road	Highways reserved matters	Obj	
HCC/2010/0175	Hunts Farm sandpit, Rudd Lane	Changes to conditions	Nobj	
10/01572/RESS	Abbotswood, Braishfield Road	Recreation areas		
09/02621/FULLS	Fairbourne Bungalow, Braishfield Road	Replacement dwelling	Obj	
10/01903/LBWS	Fairbourne Farm, Kiln Lane	Convert barn/stable to residential	nobj	
10/01896/LBWS	Fairbourne Farm, Kiln Lane	Convert barn to residential	nobj	
10/01906/FULLS	Fairbourne Farm, Kiln Lane	Conversion of barn into dwelling and construction of garages	nobj	
10/01892/FULLS	Leith House, Braishfield Road	Alterations + double garage and new access	nobj	
10/01842/FULLS	East View, Braishfield Road	Rear 2 storey extension	nobj	permission
10/01992/CMAS	Ace Liftaway, Yokesford Hill	Variation of stockpile heights and site layout	obj	

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

b) New Planning Applications

The Council considered new planning applications as follows:

10/02712/CMAS	RFSF Recycling, Bunny Lane	Change to condition and expansion of site	Comment deferred to a later meeting
10/02710/CMAS	Casbrook HWRC, Bunny Lane	Redvelopment of recycling site	No objection
10/02658/LBWS	Wellbrook, Does Lane	Extension and alterations	No objection
10/02555/AGNS	Hawkes Farm, Does Lane	Agricultural notification	No objection
10/02693/FULLS	Little Grange, Braishfield Road	Attached double garage with room above	No objection

10/01971/FULLS	Meadow View, Newport Lane	Appeal against refusal	Noted/No comment
10/02628/TREES	Hill Crest, Braishfield Road	Treework	No objection *
10/02740/TREES	7, Newport Lane	Treework	No objection
10/02887/TREES	Braishfield Recreation Ground, Braishfield Road	Treework	Noted/No comment **

* Confirmation of a decision taken between meetings in which Nick Virgo was not involved owing to a prejudicial interest.

** Braishfield Parish Council is the applicant.

c) Affordable Housing

Community Action Hampshire has reported that a provisional layout is being considered by Test Valley Borough Council and has assured the Parish Council that it will be consulted after TVBC has responded.

106. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Grit Bins

Carole Renvoize asked about the provision of the grit bin in Lower Street. The Clerk said that he was surprised to see the article in the Romsey Advertiser implying that they have all been provided and raised the matter with Martin Hatley. (Martin Hatley later confirmed that he is making enquiries about the Lower Street bin and also the one at Crook Hill which is damaged.)

b) Speed sign

The Council noted that the speed sign will be out of action until 7th January when re-charging and re-deployment will resume.

c) Highway maintenance

The Clerk was asked to write to Southern Water to investigate further the water which runs across the road at Crook Hill. It was noted that there have been at least two repairs carried out to the water main in that area in recent weeks.

The Clerk was asked to report the damaged highway opposite the United Reformed Church in Braishfield Road.

107. FOOTPATHS

Nothing to report.

108. POND

No lockable cover for the water tap at the pond is available owing to the need to access the meter. Mike Prince said that he believed it would now be very difficult for the tap to be turned on.

109. RECREATION GROUND

a) Flower Show

Following receipt of a letter from the Braishfield Horticultural Society, the Council agreed to the use of the Recreation Ground for the Flower Show on Saturday 23rd July, together with a possible car boot sale with the same conditions as last year.

b) Playground bark

It was agreed to purchase 10 cu metres of natural coloured pallet chippings for the playground from Gifford. The cost is approximately £26/cubic metre plus delivery.

c) Shrubbery

The Clerk has notified Test Valley Borough Council of the intention to remove the shrubbery from the rear of the playground, owing to its location in a Conservation Area.

A quotation for the removal of the shrubbery has been received from Ben Kington but is being held in abeyance pending the outcome of the notification to TVBC.

110. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses for November	£178.75
Southern Water	Charges	£295.94
Audit Commission	Audit fee	£470.00

b) Bank accounts

The Clerk reported that there is £11481.08 in the two bank accounts.

111. MEETINGS ATTENDED

The Clerk reported that he attended a meeting with BKP in which they said that they had entered into a waste transfer partnership with Raymond Brown. They also said that they wished to pursue the waste to energy project but were experiencing pre-application planning delays within Hampshire County Council.

112. SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH

It was agreed to make a donation of £100 towards the Senior Citizens Lunch. It was understood that it might be held nearer Easter this time. The Clerk said that he would need to find out to whom the cheque should be made payable.

113. OPEN PERIOD

In response to a question from Rosie Groves, Mike Prince said that there was no progress with finding a replacement for Norman Fielder who carried out work around the Village Hall and Recreation Ground.

114. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 4th January 2011 at 7.00pm.