BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield on Tuesday 6th March 2012

PRESENT:-

Mike Edwards (Chairman) Clive John Nick Virgo Martin Hatley (Borough Councillor)

Apologies were received from Carole Renvoize

141. <u>MINUTES</u>

Subject to Minute 130(d) reading "... Elm Grove Farm should not be included.", it was agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th February 2012 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

142. <u>PLANNING</u>

a) Applications pending or recent outcome

10/01572/RESS	Abbotswood, Braishfield Road	Recreation areas	
11/02076/LBWS	Fairbournes Farm, Kiln Lane	Convert barn to residential	Nobj
11/02090/CMAS	Raymond Brown, Bunny Lane	Retrospective picking station	Obj
11/02889/FULLS	Wellbrook, Dores Lane	Utility room and photovoltaic ground array	Nobj

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

b) New Planning Applications

The Council considered new planning applications as follows:

NB Nick Virgo declared a personal interest in the Chapel Works application and did not take part in the discussion.

12/00460/FULLS	Eldon House, Eldon Lane	Solar panels	No objection
12/00310/FULLS	Red Cottage, Paynes Hay Road	Shed with solar panels	No objection
12/00138/LBWS	Fairbournes Farmhouse, Kiln Lane	Renovation and alterations	Support
11/02090/CMAS	Raymond Brown,	Noise reduction measures	Ask that the noise

Bunny Lane

6th March 2012 reduction code of practice is made a planning condition

12/00350/TREES	Chapel Works,	Tree works	Insist on replacement
	Newport Lane		tree

c) Bunny Lane litter

Raymond Brown responded to the Council's request to pick up litter in Bunny Lane by saying that they already carry this out.

143. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

a) Water Leaks

The Clerk has written to Southern Water and also to Caroline Nokes MP about water leaks in Braishfield. Caroline Nokes said she would follow this up with Southern Water.

b) Grit bins

The grit bin at the end of Newport Lane has been moved further down Lower Street, as requested. The Clerk has asked that the 'spare' bin at the top of Crook Hill be moved to the Manor crossroads, but this has not been done.

c) Fingerposts

Hampshire County Council has apologised for the problem of signposts disappearing for maintenance, but said that the Police are aware that fingerposts were being removed for such work rather than being stolen.

d) Width restriction signs

Hampshire County Council is dealing with the signposts marking the width restriction zone to the west of Braishfield Road up to the top of Bunny Lane.

e) White lines

The Clerk has reported the need for white lines at the junction of Lower Street with Rudd Lane.

f) Potholes

The Clerk was asked to report potholes in Braishfield Road near to Pond Cottages and near to the household recycling site in Bunny Lane.

g) Signpost

The Clerk was asked to report the leaning signpost near to the Wheatsheaf PH.

h) Fire Hydrants

The Clerk was asked to report the broken fire hydrant sign in Newport Lane. He said he would also mention the apparent missing hydrant sign in Lower Street.

144. <u>FOOTPATHS</u>

There was nothing to report.

145. <u>POND</u>

There was nothing to report

146. <u>RECREATION GROUND</u>

a) <u>Playground inspection</u>

The February playground inspection was considered and noted, though Mike Edwards volunteered to examine the bark situation around the trampoline and in the pit underneath.

b) <u>Pavilion</u>

There has been no progress on the Section 36 issue.

147. <u>REPORTS OF PARISH REPRESENTATIVES</u>

Mike Edwards reported that a temporary floor has been fitted in the Village Hall kitchen.

148. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Martin Hatley said that TVBC will have a 0% change to its element of the Council Tax for the second year running, though this will result in a £1.1m budget deficit.

He mentioned that the Duttons Road saving of £1.1m as reported in the Romsey Advertiser was totally wrong.

TVBC has introduced a new website which is easier to use and quicker. It is hosted by TVBC itself rather than by Hampshire County Council.

He remarked on a planning problem created by the right to install solar panels on rooftops.

Nearly 1000 responses have been received on the Core Strategy, the vast majority coming from southern Test Valley.

He invited comments on the Romsey Master Plan which is now out for consultation.

149. <u>FINANCIAL MATTERS</u>

a) AGREED that the following	ng accounts are paid:	
JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses February	£186.67
Southern Water	Pond water supply	£5.84
TVBC	Election costs	£37.57
HMRC	Q4 P32 payment	£123.40

b) Bank accounts

The Clerk reported that there is $\pounds 6833.18$ uncommitted in the two bank accounts and that this is likely to be the end of year figure for 2011/12.

150. <u>AOB</u>

Discussion took place on the timing and content of the Annual Parish Meeting. It was agreed that the Meeting would be held on 1st May after the Council Meeting. Inviting the First Responders to speak was mentioned but the Clerk was asked to contact David Glebe of TVBC about who might be able to come and speak on improving Broadband in the area.

151. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 3rd April 2012 at 7.00pm.