BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield on Wednesday 7th November 2012

PRESENT:-

Mike Prince (Chairman)
Mike Edwards
Peter White
Beverley Murtagh
Carole Renvoize
Katie Hardy, Acting Clerk

Apologies:

Clerk, John Rhodes, Dorothy Ross, Clive John

77. Mike Prince welcomed Mrs. Beverley Murtagh as a new Councillor to the meeting. Mrs. Murtagh was co-opted on to the Council and completed a 'Declaration of Acceptance'. Mrs. Murtagh received a copy of the Braishfield Parish Council's Code of Conduct and a Pecuniary Interests form to complete and return to the Clerk.

Mr. Peter White also completed a 'Declaration of Acceptance'.

78. MINUTES

Agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd October 2012 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

79. WAR MEMORIAL CLEANING

Mike Edwards stated the he felt the cleaning of the war memorial had been carried out to a high standard.

80. CORRESPONDENCE

Mike Prince informed the meeting that he had received correspondence regarding a proposed water pipe installation which would run from Otterbourne, via Ampfield, North Baddesley, under the M27 and on to Totton. Concern was raised about the potential traffic congestion through Romsey as a result of this proposal. The pipeline is to run via the Luzborough pub and Mountbatten school, which would not impact Romsey centre.

81. PLANNING

PLAN/JD/23 – no objections 2/02128/FULLS – no objections

Determinations:

12/01617/FULLS – permission granted

82. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

Dores Lane Flooding

The Clerk informed the meeting that she has received notification from Hampshire Highways that the flooding issue on the 's' bend on Dores Lane does require attention. **It was agreed** that the situation be escalated if there has been no remedial works carried out in the next couple of months.

Pot holes

Mike Prince requested that the Clerk log the potholes on the cross roads of Lower Street, Newport Lane and Kiln Lane on the HCC website.

It was agreed that the Clerk also email Mr. Richard Brazier the link to the HCC website so that he can have the link published in the Braishfield Village News.

Bunny Lane

Mike Prince read out the correspondence received from Hampshire Highways, dated 17/10/12 in response to the letter sent by the Parish Council, dated 08/10/12 regarding the safety concerns on Bunny Lane.

In summary, HCC has agreed to place road markings on several stretches of the road and will cut back any overgrown hedgerows. HCC will continue to monitor the safety of the road in the future.

83. POND

Nothing to note

84. FOOTPATHS

Nothing to note

85. RECREATION GROUND

a) Trees

It was agreed Mike Prince would contact TVBC planning to discuss the TPOS planning application. Mr. Prince also informed the meeting that he had submitted a planning application for the School's oak tree works.

b) Playground Inspection

Mike Edwards awaiting a quotation for tough surface under the slide & swings. (Kompan)

Chairman, Mike Prince informed the meeting that he had asked William Fielder to rake the playground bark chippings for an hour a week at a cost of £5 per hour. **It was agreed** that William Fielder perform this task on a weekly basis on behalf of the Parish Council.

It was agreed that the Clerk contact 'Goadsby Property Management' to inform them that the Parish Council expects the hedge to be trimmed by the end of 2012. That if the quote provided is not acceptable to them, then they will have to source additional quotations for themselves.

c) Pavilion

Following some discussion, **it was agreed** that Mike Prince amend the 'Heads of Agreement' document and then circulate to Councillors for approval before submitting to the Football Club for comment.

Proposed amendments:

Item 6 – expand 'by agreement' to clarify that the Parish Council will hold veto rights on bookings for the recreation ground as it sees fit. It was suggested that a list of 'said groups' be agreed and that any bookings for 'non – listed' organisations will require the permission of the Parish Council for recreation ground use.

Item 8 – amend to include words to the effect that the Football Club is to provide the Parish Council with dates of all matches as soon as determined.

86. REPORTS OF PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Mike Edwards informed the meeting that he has added a term to the amended Village Hall Hire Terms and Conditions to the effect that a hall hire does not include access to the recreation ground. To arrange access, the hirer must contact the Parish Clerk to check availability.

Mike Prince stated that this would work if a further column was added to the website calendar so that the Parish Council has visibility of all other scheduled events on the recreation ground.

Carole Renvoize informed the meeting that the noticeboard located in the Square has become unstable. Mike Prince stated that he would investigate and ensure that the post is secured.

87. FINANCIAL MATTERS

It was agreed that the invoices noted on the Clerk's report be paid.

It was agreed that the Clerk would submit the completed bank mandate form to Lloyds Bank on behalf of the Parish Council.

It was agreed that John Rhodes would continue to receive a salary for a period of six months. After this time, the situation would be reviewed.

88. AOB

Time Capsule

Mike Prince informed the meeting that he had received correspondence from Mr. Ian Robinson with regards to the Parish Council's contribution to the Time Capsule.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would propose to submit a photograph of the Parish Council's plaque, a copy of the Braishfield Memories book, and a copy of various minutes that hold historical significance.

It was also suggested that a suitable resting place for the Time Capsule would be somewhere near the war memorial. **It was agreed** that Mike Prince investigate the feasibility of this suggestion.

It was also agreed that the Time Capsule event should be well publicised.

It was agreed that the Clerk respond to Mr. Robinson on behalf of the Council.

89. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 4th December at 7.00pm.

OPEN PERIOD

Mr. Richard Brazier and Mr. Ian Coleman gave a comprehensive presentation on the Village Hall's refurbishment project. Mr. Brazier stated that a large sub committee had been formed to tackle all the various elements of completing such a project. He explained that the sub committee is in the process of seeking out local support and ideas for a refurbishment solution. They hope to have this research completed by the end of the year. The sub committee will then seek architectural advice and provide a presentation of ideas to the Parish Council. Funding will then be sourced via various means including TVBC, HCC, The Lottery, BIFFA, and Viridor Credits.

Other subjects raised during the Open Period:

- Suggestion to print the BVN in colour to increase local readership.
- Parishioner concern over potential affordable housing on land adjacent to The Wheatsheaf Pub.
- Test Valley Borough Councillor, Martin Hatley's attendance at Parish Council Meetings

Meeting Closed at 9.10pm