

BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield
on Tuesday 5th March 2013

PRESENT:-

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

Parishioners: David Robinson, PCSO Jo Cole

129. Apologies:
Dorothy Ross

130. MINUTES

Agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th February 2013 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

In addition, it was noted that the cost to Braishfield Parish Council for the Speed calming device currently shared with Ampfield Parish Council is £385 (50% of the total cost).

131. MATTERS ARISING

As noted on the Clerk's Report, the Parish Council has received quotations from TVBC for grass cutting on the recreation ground and around the trim trail and for quarterly playground inspections for 2013/14.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would accept both quotations.

PSCO Cole joined the meeting

Chairman, Mike Prince invited PCSO Cole to speak.

Oil Thefts

PSCO informed the meeting that there has been a number of heating oil thefts in Braishfield and the local area recently. As a result, there are now regular police patrols of farms, churches, and rural properties at night in a bid clamp down on this activity.

Speed Device

PSCO informed the meeting that she has arranged for the speed data machine to be installed in Braishfield over the next couple of weeks. The data collected will be used

to assess at what time of day speeding is at its worst through the village. PCSO Cole informed that she would pass this data on to the Parish Council via Cllr. Clive John.

PSCO Cole left the meeting

132. CORRESPONDENCE

Wind Farms

Chairman, Mike Prince informed the meeting that the CPRE are currently requesting support to prevent wind farms from being installed. **It was agreed** that the Parish Council would not take any action unless any planning applications were submitted in the local area for wind farms.

Car Park Database

Chairman, Mike Prince informed the meeting that he has received a further request to list the Village Hall Car Park on a web based database. **It was agreed** that Mike Prince email the company requesting that the said car park be removed from the database.

MP

All Saints – Gravestone Repairs

It was agreed that the Clerk inform All Saints Church that the Parish Council will meet 100% of the cost incurred in repairing two broken gravestones of £223.20

KH

Test Valley Passenger Transport Forum

It was agreed that Braishfield Parish Council would not attend, unless there is a specific item on the agenda which is of local concern/interest.

Home Start

It was agreed that the Parish Council would donate £75 to the Home Start support group.

KH

Councillor Beverley Murtagh declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 13/00383/FULLS, and duly left the meeting.

133. PLANNING

a) 13/00383/FULLS

Proposal: Demolition of existing bungalow and carport and construction of two storey three bedroom house and carport.

Site: Springwood, Crook Hill, Braishfield, Romsey,

It was agreed that Braishfield Parish Council would object on the grounds that the proposal has not adhered to the Village Design Statement with regards to the following:

- *“New building design should take account of local rural architectural details and either incorporate them or blend in with them.” No. 23, Page 21 VDS*
- *“Architectural improvements and innovative design should be encouraged as long as they are in sympathy with the village and the rural nature of its surroundings.” No. 29, Page 21 VDS*

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The Parish Council feels that the row of windows on the East elevation is not typical of the local rural architecture, nor is it sympathetic to its rural surroundings.

The Parish Council, however, has no objection in principle to the existing bungalow being replaced with a larger dwelling. KH

Cllr. Beverley Murtagh rejoined the meeting

Determinations:

Chairman, Mike Prince informed the meeting that the planning application for Blackthorne House, Braishfield Road, Braishfield is to go before the Southern Area Planning Committee on 12th March. **It was agreed** that the Clerk inform TVBC that Cllr. Prince wishes to speak on behalf of the Parish Council at this meeting. KH/MP

134. HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

Ditch Clearance

Cllr. Peter White informed the meeting that HCC has recently cleared the ditches along Dore Lane. This is to alleviate the flooding experienced in this area.

Meeting with Highways

It was agreed that the Clerk request that Cllr. Martin Hatley arrange a site visit to assess the road conditions in Braishfield with Mr. Jonathon Brambridge, Hampshire Highways. KH

Speed Measures

It was agreed that the Parish Council would assess the significance of the results produced by the data collected by the speed device being installed by TVBC in the next couple of weeks before it would decide on whether to purchase (£1,900) or hire (£150 for 2 weeks) such a device in the future.

It was also agreed that Cllr. Clive John would submit an article to the BVA News with regards to the Community Speed Watch initiative in a bid to gauge public support and/or community involvement. CJ

135. POND

Nothing to note

136. FOOTPATHS

Nothing to note

137. RECREATION GROUND

a) Playground Surfacing

Please see Clerk's Report for full summary.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would contribute £2000 to the playground re-surfacing project.

It was agreed that the Clerk make further enquiries re: Section 106 monies for 14 KH Hillview Road.

b) Pavilion

Clerk, John Rhodes informed the meeting that he has received a draft order to issue a lease to the Football Club from the Charities Commission.

If the Parish Council is in agreement, John Rhodes will request that the Charities Commission issue a final order.

It was agreed that John Rhodes send the draft to the Football Club for review and request the details of the Football Club's Solicitor. JR

It was agreed that John Rhodes instruct Footners Solicitors to conduct the necessary paperwork on behalf of the Parish Council. JR

Chairman, Mike Prince thanked John Rhodes for all his efforts in this matter on behalf of the Parish Council.

138. REPORTS OF PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr. Mike Edwards informed the meeting that the plans for the Village Hall improvements and extension are now complete.

139. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

TVBC Councillor, Martin Hatley was not in attendance.

140. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) **Invoices for Payment**

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

b) **Precept**

The Clerk informed the meeting that the Parish Council has no liability with regards to subsidising any parishioner's Council Tax payment.

141. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

War Memorial

Cllr. Mike Edwards agreed to forward a web link for a potential funding source for ME any future repairs/maintenance to the War Memorial.

142. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 2nd April 2013 at 7.00pm.

143. OPEN PERIOD

a) Affordable Housing

Mr. Robinson asked if the Parish Council could ask TVBC when a new survey would be conducted to assess the affordable housing need in Braishfield.

Chairman, Mike Prince stated that a new survey would be requested if/when the developers put forward a robust proposal.

Meeting Closed 9.30pm.

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February 2013 Clerk's Report

TVBC Quotations

1) GROUNDS MAINTENANCE FOR 2013/14 of £922.93

Specifics = grass cutting x 15

grass cutting around trim trail x 8

2) QUARTERLY PLAY INSPECTIONS FOR 2013/14 of £175.32

All Saints Church

The Parish Council has been advised that All Saints Church has instructed Blackwell and Moody to carry out the gravestone repairs at a cost of £223.20 including VAT. As circulated, their correspondence requests that the Parish Council consider a donation towards these repairs.

Bank Mandate

I am pleased to say that the Bank Mandate for new signatories has now been implemented by Lloyds TSB.

Playground Resurfacing

Funding Sources

- I am currently in the process of completing the Viridor Credits application. I have been advised by Karen Chilcott, Viridor Credits, that our project is a likely candidate for funding. Please keep in mind, there is a third party contribution fee which the Parish Council will incur before any funding is released from Viridor. I would estimate that this will be in the region of £1,500 on a project like this.

- SITA unfortunately state that Braishfield is no longer in its funding catchment.

- Section 106 funding is not available at this time, however Mark Goodman has informed me that he will keep me updated if any funding is received in the near future.

- TVBC Capital Grant – This requires a contribution from the Parish Council to the project. I cannot submit the application form until I have a minuted reference of the Parish Council's agreement to financially commit to the project.

Community Involvement

In order to be successful in our application, we need to demonstrate 'need' and 'community involvement' in the project.

I have therefore met with Mrs. Hardy, Braishfield Primary School Headmistress, who will submit a letter to the Parish Council supporting the project.

I have also requested that the Toddler Group submit a letter of support.

I have also spoken to several parents who will write to me individually.

May I suggest that an article be submitted about the project in the BVA News to encourage other parishioners to write in support. I am happy to do this, if the Parish Council agrees.

Quotes

In order to keep the price as low as possible, I thought that 'recycling' the bark chip within the village would be a good way to have the area cleared and allow local organisations to benefit. My idea is to have parishioners come and fill their own bags with the bark chip and make a contribution either to the School, the Village Hall Project, or the Parish Council. By doing this, we don't have to pay the contractor to clear the bark away – (saving approx. £200).

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I have also spoken to Mrs. Quinn, Braishfield Primary School Teacher who currently runs a school Gardening Club. She and Mrs. Hardy stated that the school could make good use of quite a lot of the bark chip on the school grounds.

I have also now obtained three 'like for like' quotations for:

- *'Excavate the bark and existing wooden edging and remove from site.*
- *Install over the entire area a Geo-Textile Membrane and cut tight to the new edging.*
- *Install 100 to 150mm of compacted MOT Type 1 Stone and install pre-cast Concrete edging.*
- *Stone final levels to be adjusted to allow for surface thickness as required, variation in thickness to allow for the different CFH (Critical fall heights) of the play equipment.*
- *Option 1 New EPDM surface in BLACK*
- *Option 2 New EPDM surface in RED, GREEN or BLUE*

	OPTION 1	OPTION 2
CreateScape	£18,540.00	£21,820.00
RTC	£17,462.00	£20,839.00
Playdale	£19,227.00	£23,421.00

Once I have received some letters of community support, I can progress the Viridor Application.

Planning Determinations

12/02408/CMAS

Variation of Condition 19 of Planning Permission 10/01992/CMAS (extend completion of the building for a further 18 months)]

Ace Liftaway, The Waste Centre, Yokesford Hill, Romsey

Decision: Approved

Bank Balances as of 15th February 2013

Current account: £6,415.70

Savings account: £2,788.99

Invoices for Payment

Katie Hardy	Salary Feb2013 (20 hours) & Expenses (£5.71 – Water Bill)	£205.71
HMRC	4 th Quarter payment	£123.40
Ampfield Parish Council	Speed sign payment	£385.00
William Fielder	Playground maintenance	£20.00

Katie Hardy
Acting Clerk
Braishfield Parish Council
1st March 2013