

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council
Held in the Braishfield Village Hall on 3rd January 2023 (19.00 - 20.45)

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council:

Chairman Cllr Jane Bennett
Vice Chairman Cllr Ian Knights
Cllr Richard Brazier
Cllr Carole Renvoize
Cllr Michael Stubbs
Cllr Peter White
Cllr Sally Yalden

Others:

Clerk/RFO, Jane Ray

Ward member:

Members of the Public: 7

2413 Apologies

Received from Cllr Martin Hatley due to other commitments.

2414 Members' Interests in the Business for the Meeting

None

2415 Accuracy of Minutes

The Council agreed the accuracy of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of Tuesday 6th December 2022

RESOLVED

2416 Co-option of new councillor

Michael Stubbs co-opted as a new councillor.

APPROVED

2417 Public Participation

Comments made regarding outline planning applications for Hillview Road.

2418 Correspondence

Villagers have been invited to apply for the Beer Race before it is open to the general public.

Letter received from King Charles III thanking the council for their letter of condolence.

Thanks to Ian Knight for his assistance in removing a fallen tree on Fernhill Lane.

Fallen tree on Rudd Lane has been reported to HCC.

Debris on the John Bevan path need reporting.

2419 Chairman's Report

a) Chairman Jane Bennett congratulated the clerk on completing her CiLCA Qualification.

During December some villagers experienced a loss of water. As per the village resilience plan the Village Hall and Church Rooms were made available if required.

Borough Councillor's Report

b) Not available

2420 Planning Decisions:

a) 22/02802/FULLS Newport House, Newport Lane, Braishfield - permission

2421 Planning Applications:

- a) 22/03203/TREES - Worsley Lodge, Common Hill Road, Braishfield

NO OBJECTION

- b) 22/03231/FULLS - Spinney Corner, Church Lane, Braishfield

Partial demolition of indoor swimming pool and adjoining garage, single story link extension

SUPPORT

- c) 22/03217/OUTS - Land adjacent to 1 Hill View Road, Braishfield

- d) 22/03218/OUTS - Land adjacent to 1 Hill View Road, Braishfield

OBJECTION with comments:

22/03217/OUTS and 22/03218/OUTS

The Council resolved to **OBJECT** to both applications. The following issues were raised and issues were raised to form the basis of the objection.

1. The application form in respect of the northern plot had not been reproduced on the TVBC website. This made it difficult to formulate an objection, and called into question whether the consultation period could properly be said to have commenced.
2. If the missing application form was in similar form to that for the corner plot, it sought approval for a detached dwelling, but including approval of access, size and layout. The vertical size of the proposed dwelling was not apparent from the plans or the application form, but the supplementary information included a reference to a 4-bedroom house on each plot. These factors go beyond normal outline applications, and might justify inclusion in the objection of references to provisions in the Village Design Statement which might go by default if the permission was granted as sought.
3. Parishioners raised a number of such issues, including domination of adjoining houses, being out of character with the surrounding landscape and overlooking/loss of privacy.
4. The vehicle access to both plots was unsatisfactory.
5. The development might be said to contravene the established building line, and to constitute backland development.
6. The circumstances and the extent of the permission sought pointed to the suggestion that TVBC should be encouraged to insist on a full application at this stage, so that the issues which the application had raised could be fully considered.

The Council disapproved of Aster Homes, as a provider of affordable homes, selling these plots for open market development instead of providing affordable homes in Braishfield.

ACTION: Cllr Brazier to prepare the initial draft objection, with assistance from Cllr Bennett in relation to extracts from the VDS

- e) 22/03261/FULLS - Oakdene, Braishfield Road, Crookhill

OBJECTION with comments: information unclear, further clarification required

- f) 22/03288/TREES - All Saints Church, Church Lane, Braishfield

Various tree work

SUPPORT

2422 Update on:

- a) Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Thank you to Mark Sennitt and the Steering Group. December minutes received.

- b) VDS - Meeting with The Studio had to be rearranged.

ACTION: Cllr Brazier & Jimmy Chestnutt to visit printer in January

2423 Parking at junction with Newport Lane and Braishfield Road

Work is due to complete on 22nd January 2023. Site visit already made by HCC.

2424 Update on Stiles and Gateway Signs

- a) Very successful meeting with Andy Aitken, Countryside Access Manager. Advice given on grant funding and style of gates required.
- b) Southern gateway can't be raised. Ongoing discussion with HCC re Northern gateway which was fitted incorrectly and still needs to be raised.

ACTION: Clerk to contact school re their travel plan which could lead to more road markings

2425 Plan to deal with dog waste

Cllr Yalden and group are investigating the addition of a dog waste bin in the south of the village.

ACTION: Carry forward to next month

2426 Clerk's Report

- a) Payments
 - £416.00 Jane Ray - December salary
 - £144.00 Jane Ray - overtime
 - £12.78 Jane Ray - mileage
 - £90.00 Mike Ray - speed radar maintenance
- b) Pre-authorised payments made between meetings
 - £110.07 Test Valley Maintenance
 - £16.99 Ebay
 - £13.49 Ebay
 - £16.99 Amazon
 - £218.34 Business Stream
- c) A PayPal charity account has been set up and donation should be received at the end of January

2427 To Approve

- a) Clerk's salary increase on completion of CiLCA backdated to 1st January 2023 - £16.16 per hour.

APPROVED

2428 Update on Resilience Plan

Paperwork to be updated and generator purchase discussed.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange meeting

2429 Matters for Agenda at Subsequent Meeting

Neighbourhood Plan
Dog Waste
Stiles & Gateway signs
Crowdfunding
Maintenance of John Bevan Path
Duck House

2430 Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on 7th February 2023.

Signed Chairman: _____

Date: _____