

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council
Held in the Braishfield Village Hall on 25th July 2023 (19.00 - 20.30)

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council:

Chairman Cllr Jane Bennett
Vice Chairman Cllr Ian Knights
Cllr Julie Benson
Cllr Richard Brazier
Cllr George McMenemy
Cllr Michael Stubbs

Others:

Clerk/RFO, Jane Ray

Ward member:

Members of the Public: 7

2520 Apologies

Received from Cllr Sally Yalden due to other commitments.

2521 Members' Interests in the Business for the Meeting

None

2522 Public Participation

Parishioners expressed their concerns over the planning application from Sir Harold Hillier Gardens - protecting the sense of openness at the entrance to the village, no reference to the Village Design Statement, no street scene included.

2523 Planning Applications:

a) HCC/2023/0358

Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, Jermyns Lane, Romsey

Erection of a propagation glasshouse, new water and pump house and the associated relocation of existing polytunnels and shade hall
OBJECTION

1. The applicant has not fully considered the needs and impact on its neighbours and those of the village as a whole. As stated in the Village Design Statement, the entrance to Braishfield needs protection to maintain a sense of openness and country feel between the village and Romsey.

2. We are concerned that the plans take the proximity of the built-on site much closer to Braishfield Road and the gaps in the tree line will make the proposed development more visible. During a site visit made by Parish Councillors, additional evergreen planting was suggested to the applicant. As additional tree planting is currently not part of the application, we would like to see this as a condition and incorporated in the final design. To allow for this we would wish that the two proposed relocated shade halls are positioned elsewhere and not put on the area between the proposed greenhouse / workstation area and the boundary. This would allow the roadway around the buildings to be pulled further away from the boundary so a larger area is available for additional evergreen tree planting to ensure the buildings are not visible from Braishfield Road all year round and ensure that a sense of rural openness is maintained on both sides of the road.

3. We also have concerns about the noise from a proposed water pump and the air source heat pump.

- b) 23/01704/TREES
Swallowfield Cottage, Braishfield Road, Braishfield
T1 - Tree of Heaven - Fell
Support - the council would like to see replanting

2524 To Approve:

- a) Generator Quotes:

Stonehenge Services Ltd £16498.70

DQM Ltd £29005.00

Hampshire Generators £14342.00

ACTION: Clerk to contact Stonehenge Services for full spec of generator quoted and details of a maintenance contract. Final decision to be made once result of grant application known

- b) SSE Grant Application

APPROVED

2525 Village Design Statement

All councillors prepared the new printed version for delivery with the BVN.

2526 Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on 5th September 2023.

Signed Chairman: _____

Date: _____