

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council
Held in the Braishfield Village Hall on 5th September 2023 (19.00 - 20.15)

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council:

Chairman Cllr Jane Bennett
Cllr Julie Benson
Cllr Richard Brazier
Cllr George McMenemy

Others:

Clerk/RFO, Jane Ray

Ward member: Cllr Sally Yalden
Members of the Public: 10

2528 Apologies

Received from Cllr Knights and Cllr Stubbs due to other commitments.

2529 Members' Interests in the Business for the Meeting

None

2530 Accuracy of Minutes

The Council agreed the accuracy of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of Tuesday 4th July, 25th July and 15th August 2023

RESOLVED

2531 Co-Option of new councillors

Sally Yalden - **Approved**

2532 Public Participation

Parishioners commented on the recent spate of crime within the village and the options available for the village.

ACTION: Clerk to chase for a response from Police Commissioner's Office. Cllr Yalden to contact PCSOs based in Stockbridge

2533 Correspondence

Requests from a football club and cricket club to use facilities in the village.
Advised of travellers camped by the village northern gateway.

2534 Chairman's Report

- a) The chairman read a letter of thanks from Jimmy Chestnutt who recently received a thank you gift for all his hard work in leading the production of the revised Village Design Statement.

Peter White also wrote to thank Cllr Bennett and Cllr Knights who personally sent a gift thanking him for his contribution to the council.

A response has been received from Mark Cooper (Chair of TVBC Southern Area Planning) re the decision on the application at Woolley Green Farm **ACTION: Cllr Brazier to draft a reply.**

Changes to council meeting dates to be sent to BVN for publication

ACTION: Clerk to send

Borough Councillor's Report

- b) Cllr Yalden updated us on the following:

TVBC New Corporate Plan - makes a commitment to working with our communities, at "place (local) level". The first workshop took place on the 1st of August. The aim of the session was to bring together groups and organisations connected to the local area and to explore how TVBC can work to prioritise and deliver on community priorities in the next few years.

Planning matters - supported Braishfield Parish Council in its objection to a contentious planning application to build in the countryside which was a deviation from the Local Plan and the VDS.

Community Energy South provide a community energy scheme and partnership with TVBC to help communities to decarbonise. This has resulted in an application to Southern Energy for an assessment to see how it might be able to reduce its high energy costs.

2535 Planning Decisions:

- a) 23/01346/CLES Eldon House, Eldon Road - certificate issued
- b) 23/01426/TREES The Old telephone Exchange - no objection
- c) 23/00/793/FULLS Little Beeches, Briashfield Road - permission
- d) 23/01347/CLES Eldon Nurseries, Eldon Road - Certificate issued
- e) 22/00817/FULLS Merriemeade Farm, Church Lane - refused

Concerns expressed from parishioners and councillors re the continued use of this property on air bnb and the traffic created.

ACTION: Cllr Brazier to contact enforcement re this application and Winterberry Cottage on the same site

2536 Planning Applications TVBC:

- a) 23/02177/TPOS Springwood, Braishfield Road, Crookhill
NO COMMENT
- b) 23/02194/TREES Edgehill, Braishfield Road
NO COMMENT

2537 Planning Applications HCC:

- a) HCC/2023/0470 Salvidge Farm, Bunny Lane, Timsbury
OBJECTION

2538 Update on:

- a) Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
Meeting planned for 7th September to analyse results of the village questionnaire - 125 replies received
- b) Village Design Statement
The document has been printed and delivered to all parishioners
- b) A visit from Simon Finch, Head of Planning arranged for September 12th
ACTION: Cllr Brazier to prepare the agenda

2539 New position for Speed Radar on Crookhill

Awaiting response from Mandy Ware at HCC

2540 Update on Stiles and Gateway Signs

- a) Stiles
Design to be chosen and grant application made
ACTION: Clerk to obtain quotes
- b) Roads/Potholes - parishioners should continue to report to HCC
ACTION: Borough Cllr Yalden to contact Cllr Nick Adams-King
- c) Footpath Signs - ongoing
- d) Footpath Maintenance - HCC due to cut in the village this month
- e) Roundabout Maintenance - TVBC have attended to the vegetation. Brickwork still needs to be repaired
- f) War Memorial - forth report has been received.

ACTION: Cllr Brazier to check

2541 Clerk's Report

- a) Payments
 - £719.33 Jane Ray - July and August salary
 - £40.59 Jane Ray - Mileage
 - £240.00 Mike Ray - Speed radar movement
 - £46.98 Jimmy Chestnutt (Gift to Howard for VDS prep)
 - £50.00 Richard Brazier (Gift to Jimmy Chesnutt for VDS prep)
- b) Pre-authorised payments made between meetings
 - £138.70 Test Valley Maintenance - August and September
 - £9.54 Website hosting
 - £159.00 HMRC DD
 - £25.60 Amazon A4 envelopes

2542 Update on Resilience Plan

A grant application has been made to SSE - decision to be made in October. The next TVBC resilience meeting is to be held on 28th October 2023

2543 Update on:

- a) Climate Change Working Party
 - Autumn litter pick to be arranged
- b) Dog Waste Bins
 - This is an ongoing problem in the village. The cost of two new bins for the village is approximately £1000.00
 - ACTION: Clerk to check budget and servicing costs**

2544 Rural Crime

There have been a series of burglaries in the village over the last few months including an attempted break in at Braishfield Manor. The police response has been limited. **ACTION: Clerk to chase the Police Commissioner for a response re a visit to the village to discuss options/grants available**

2545 Matters for Agenda at Subsequent Meeting

TVBC Association meeting, Dog Bins, Roundabout, Post Codes, 30mph limit

2546 Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on 7th November 2023

Signed Chairman: _____

Date: _____