

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council
Held in the Braishfield Village Hall on 5th March 2024 (19.00 - 21.22)

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council:

Chairman Cllr Jane Bennett
Vice Chairman Cllr Ian Knights
Cllr Julie Benson
Cllr Michael Stubbs
Cllr Sally Yalden

Others:

Clerk/RFO, Jane Ray
Ward member: Cllr Sally Yalden
Members of the Public: 0

2632 Apologies

Received from Cllr Richard Brazier and George McMenemy due to other commitments.

2633 Members' Interests in the Business for the Meeting

None

2634 Accuracy of Minutes

The Council agreed the accuracy of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of 6th February 2024

RESOLVED

2635 Public Participation

2636 Correspondence

The need for more defibrillators in the village and training
Dangerous road sign on Lower Street

2637 Chairman's Report

a) Nothing to report

b) Borough Councillor's Report

Draft Local Plan: Three presentations left before the deadline

2023/24 Community Asset Fund: A total of 14 Community Asset Fund applications are due to be considered for 2023/24

Energy efficiency support for voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations: The government has launched a £25.5m funding package in England to support a range of organisations to improve their energy efficiency

2638 Planning Decisions:

- a) 24/00114/TREES Clayhill, Braishfield Road - no objection
- b) 24/03265/TREES Amberley, Braishfield Road - no objection
- c) 23/03263/TREES Potters Clay, Braishfield Road - no objection
- d) 23/02889/FULLS Westwood, Braishfield Road - permission

2639 Planning Applications TVBC:

a) 23/00964/OUTS Kings Chase, Land South of Ganger Farm

OBJECTION with comments:

1. The site is not designated as part of the Test Valley Adopted Local Plan 2011-2029. There was never mention of a "Phase 2" This application should be part of

the Local Plan process and assessed against local housing need. It is also understood that the site is designated as green field / countryside.

2. Local infrastructure - the road network is already overburdened. A full assessment of capacity is required to include a review of the traffic from the proposed development that will converge on the Botley Road and Plaza roundabouts which are already overloaded. This does not appear to be considered by the applicants' traffic submission and needs a full assessment including safety implications. The impact of 600 homes in total being part of this development with sports facilities and allotments, would lead to >5,000 additional vehicle movements a day on Jermyns Lane and subsequently through the village of Braishfield as a potential shortcut to Stockbridge and Andover.
 3. Acceptance of this application would result in further pressure on water resources and sewerage requirements which need to be addressed before this application is considered. The road north of Braishfield is narrow with blind bends, and not suited to commuter traffic.
 4. The infrastructure of Romsey is under pressure now and this will increase problems for our parishioners accessing doctor/dentist appointments.
 5. The Council are unsure why this development needed in the countryside
- b) 24/00141/FULLS Land adjacent to Jacobs Folly
NO OBJECTION (3 NO OBJECTION - 1 OBJECTION) with comments: Please ensure that the comments from the neighbour are fully considered before any decision is made.
 - c) 24/00315/FULLS Potters Clay, Braishfield Road **NO OBJECTION**
 - d) 24/00370/TREES Paddock View, Newport Lane, Braishfield
SUPPORT (3 SUPPORT - 1 NO OBJECTION)

2640 To decide comments for Test Valley Borough Council Southern Area Planning Committee:

- a) 23/01924/FULLS Erection of Agricultural Storage Barn
A decision was made to **NOT** make a representation at Southern Area Planning
(3 TO NOT ATTEND - 1 TO ATTEND)

Councillor Michael Stubbs left the meeting

2641 Trees

Details of how to make a planning application and tree preservation orders will be added to the website and submitted as an article in the BVN.

2642 Update on:

- a) Southern Area Planning Committee - Fairbourne Farm
ACTION: Carry Forward to next month
- b) HCC Consultation re potential closure of Casbrook Recycling Centre
APPROVED Cllr Yalden's draft comments
ACTION: Clerk to submit

- c) Draft Local Plan Comments
Concerns over large scale development in and around Romsey and the lack of infrastructure to support it
ACTION: Clerk to submit
- d) Hillier Gardens Liaison
Cllr Bennett and Cllr Knights will represent the council
- e) Planning Training with Jason Owen
ACTION: Clerk to arrange meeting for 26th March 6pm. Issues to be discussed: Material planning considerations, SAP outcomes and Pre apps

2643 Update on Neighbourhood Development Plan
£1000 grant has been received

2644 Update on:

- a) Finger posts - 5/6 have been requested near The Manor
ACTION: Clerk to contact HCC
- b) Condition of Roads - Carry Forward
- c) Speed Radar Data - 92% of the traffic is travelling below 40mph
ACTION: Cllr Knights to analyse the data further

2645 Grant Contribution for replacement stiles
50% of the cost - £1650 **APPROVED**

2646 Pond Maintenance Quote
JN Landscapes Ltd £30 per cut **APPROVED**

2647 Installation of Electric Vehicle Chargers at Village Hall Car Park
ACTION: Clerk to contact TVBC for advice

2648 Community Asset Application
Cllr Benson has started the application but not all the information required is easily obtained.
ACTION: Cllr Benson to email questions that need further detail to all councillors

2649 Clerk's Report

- a) Payments
 - £764.40 Jane Ray - March salary
 - £16.47 Jane Ray - Mileage
 - £120.00 Mike Ray - Speed radar movement
 - £844.37 All Saints' Church Grant
- b) Pre-authorized payments made between meetings
 - £138.70 Test Valley Maintenance - March

2650 Grant Applications

- a) Fence along Recreation Ground (Braishfield Road) **APPROVED**
Quotes to be obtained for fencing and hedging
- b) Village Hall Car Park Surface **APPROVED**

2651 Yokesford Liaison Panel Meeting

To be held in late March

2652 To review

- a) Communication Policy - **APPROVED**
Emails to be marked urgent and with a deadline if required
- b) Freedom of Information Policy - **CARRY FORWARD TO ANNUAL MEETING**

2653 Matters for Agenda at Subsequent Meeting

Fencing, resurfacing, speed radar data

2654 Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on 2nd April 2024

Signed Chairman: _____

Date: _____