

**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council**  
Held in the Village Hall on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025 (19.00 - 20.20)

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council:

Chairman Cllr Jane Bennett  
Cllr Ian Knights  
Cllr Tom Sebrell

Others:

Clerk/RFO, Jane Ray  
Ward member:  
Members of the Public: 1

2880 Apologies

Cllr Richard Brazier, Cllr Michael Stubbs, Cllr Julie Benson and Sally Yalden due to other commitments.

2881 Members' Interests in the Business for the Meeting

None

2882 Accuracy of Minutes

*The Council agreed the accuracy of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 and planning meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025*

**RESOLVED**

2883 Public Participation

None

2884 Correspondence

2885 Chairman's Report

- a) There was an illegal encampment on the recreation ground on 4<sup>th</sup> June which was resolved efficiently. A new security gate has been ordered.  
A dead tree along Braishfield Road was identified and the land owner has been advised.

b) Borough Councillor's Report

**Councillor Community Grant** - £1764.43 available.

**Planning Update:** The government have with immediate effect removed the funding and support available to Parish and Town Councils to undertake Neighbourhood plans. There has been no communication from MHCLG about this significant change.

**Local Government Reorganisation:** The final submission to government for LGR proposals are required by 26 September. In anticipation of this, an Extraordinary Council meeting followed by an Additional Cabinet meeting have been arranged for Wednesday 24 September. Work is now commencing on a programme of public communications and engagement to support the development of the proposals for local government reorganisation. A deliberative engagement workshop will be held in Test Valley to gather in-depth community input. In partnership with Thinks Insight and Strategy and Plus 4 Market Research, the workshop will explore residents' experiences, priorities, and hopes for the future of local government. Twenty-five participants will be selected to reflect the diversity of the community and

take part in a three-hour session in early July. Similar workshops will also be conducted in Winchester and the New Forest.

2886 Planning Decisions:

- a) 25/01138/TREES - Orchard Cottage, Church Lane - No Objection
- b) 25/01023/REJS - Village Hall, Braishfield - Prior approval not required

2887 Planning Applications TVBC:

- a) 25/01342/FULLS Braishfield Lodge East  
Changes to fenestration - **no comment**
- b) 25/01343/FULLS Braishfield Lodge East  
Changes to fenestration and removal of an internal wall - **no comment**

2888 Planning Application HCC:

- a) Appeal by Waltet Materials Ltd  
Appeal re no APP/Q1770/C/25/3365252  
Failure to comply with condition 12 - **Waltet need to comply with the conditions and regulations of the original planning decision**

2889 Update on:

- a) A Village meeting will take place on 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 5pm to discuss the revised Local Plan
- b) Planning Enforcement  
The Dog & Crook has been reported as approved at the last meeting.  
Enforcement ref 25/0311/PP
- c) Neighbourhood Development Plan  
No current update however the councillors feel it is important that the plan is completed as soon as possible
- d) Speed Watch group -  
**ACTION:** Clerk to retrieve data for the end of July
- e) Car Park Resurfacing  
Waiting for confirmation from TVBC

2890 Clerk's Report

- a) Payments  
£791.27 Jane Ray - Salary  
£16.56 Jane Ray - Mileage  
£120.00 Mike Ray - Speed radar movement  
£7.50 Jane Ray - Printer paper  
£37.35 Michael Stubbs - Parishioner thank you gift  
£1512.00 Green Square Design - Security gate Recreation Ground
- b) Pre-authorised payments made between meetings  
£116.20 Test Valley Maintenance  
£1008.00 Recreation Ground gate deposit
- c) Transfer to gov.uk website and emails  
**ACTION: waiting for response from parish helper website**
- d) To approve transaction limits for TSB Online Banking - provisionally approved JR - £750 and JB - £20,000 **CARRY FORWARD**

- e) Illegal Encampment - dealt with efficiently and a new gate has been ordered as extra security.

**ACTION: Contact school to verify their experience**

2891 Crook Hill Meadow

Carry forward to next meeting

2892 Defibrillator Maintenance

To provide an ex-gratia payment as thanks **ACTION: £100 APPROVED**

2893 Youth Forum

Councillors like the proposal received from Louisa Rice TVBC and will consider a contribution once more details received. The village hall can be used for free

**ACTION: Clerk to contact Louisa**

2894 Councillor Roles

Information from councillors to be sent to clerk by 21<sup>st</sup> July

2895 Matters for Agenda at Subsequent Meeting

Speed watch Group, Neighbourhood Development Plan

2896 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Signed Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_