

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council
Held in the Village Hall on 2nd June 2026 7.00pm (19.00 - 20.15)

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council:

Chairman Cllr Jane Bennett
Cllr Ian Knights
Cllr Julie Benson
Cllr Richard Brazier
Cllr Sally Yalden

Others:

Clerk/RFO: Jane Ray
Ward member:
Members of the Public: 11

2350 Apologies

Cllr Michael Stubbs and B and G Thomas due to other commitments

2351 Members' Interests in the Business for the Meeting

None

2352 Accuracy of Minutes

The Council agreed the accuracy of the Minutes of the Council Meetings of 5th May 2026 - APPROVED

2353 Public Participation

None

2354 Correspondence

Beer Race on this Sunday - 7th June 2026

2355 Chairman's Report

a) Nothing to report

b) Borough Councillor's Report

Enforcement cases: 4 in Braishfield

Councillor Community Grant: £1565.75 outstanding

Local Government Reorganisation - Hampshire County Council is exploring the possibility of a judicial review in relation to Local Government Reorganisation proposals.

Highways - Cllr Yalden has training booked on Friday 5 June to learn how to use the Highways Members' Portal. This will enable her to search for highway enquiries, check progress updates and request additional information where necessary.

2356 Planning Decisions:

a) 26/01034/DDCA - Kerreri, Braishfield Road - fell dangerous tree

2357 To decide comments for TVBC:

a) 26/00971/FULLS Cherry Hill, Braishfield Road - **SUPPORT**

b) 26/01026/TREES 8 Blackthorn Close, Braishfield - **NO COMMENT**

c) 26/01105/TREES Annes Cottage, Newport Lane - **NO COMMENT**

2358 To Discuss:

- a) Bargate application - awaiting a new application re amendments to the design to satisfy comments made by the Design Review Panel. Not expected at Southern Area Planning until July or later
- b) Neighbourhood Development Plan - no current update available.
ACTION: Clerk to contact Mark Sennitt to arrange a meeting ASAP
- c) Pucknall Farm application - 60 documents on TVBC portal with no support. Cllr Knights waiting to hear back from the planning officer at TVBC re concerns over incorrect use of Class Q
- d) Enforcement Cases - reopened case at The Dog and Crook
ACTION: Clerk to contact Simon Finch re publication of current cases
- e) Parishioner Meeting - wait until new information available
- f) Website updates - all recent information has been added including a new page for The Fighting Fund
ACTION: Clerk to add income and expenditure details

2359 Councillor Co-Option

2 people have completed an application form

ACTION: interviews to take place with the clerk and two councillors

2360 Update on:

- a) Bus Shelter - work has been delayed and due to take place on 11,12,13 June
- b) To Approve: Fitness equipment quote from Ministry of Play - APPROVED
- c) Pond refurbishment - new contact at Sparsholt College has been contacted with current photos.
ACTION: As he is known to Carole Renvoize she has offered to chase
- d) Footpath 3 - problems reported by a parishioner re current overgrown state. Reported to HCC who have come back with the following:
‘The field has now been turned into grass which under the Highways Act 1980 states if a field is being used for pasture, silage or haymaking it doesn’t require the landowner to cut a path through the field. Therefore, we are unable to enforce the Farmer to cut it’
- e) Autumn Planting Project - Cllr Benson will provide details of her plan and attend the next meeting of the Eco Action Group.

2361 Clerk’s Report

- a) Payments
 - £814.83 Jane Ray - Salary
 - £27.28 Jane Ray - Mileage
 - £120.00 Mike Ray - Speed radar movement
 - £7.50 Jane Ray - Office supplies
 - £260.00 John Murray - Internal audit
 - £1390.00 Steve Tilbury Planning Consultant
- b) Pre-authorized payments made between meetings
 - £122.34 Test Valley Maintenance
 - £26.00 Jane Ray - working from home
 - £100.00 Tf to War Memorial account
 - £1752.87 Hiscox Insurance

- c) Report from Internal Auditor - no matters to mention.
- d) **To Approve:** AJG Community Schemes Insurance Policy commencing 1st June 2026 **APPROVED**
- e) **To Approve:** Asset Register 2026/27 **APPROVED**

2362 **To Approve:** Local Councils, Internal Drainage Boards and other Smaller Authorities in England, Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26 Form 3 (the Annual Return):

- a) Approval of “Section 1 Annual Governance Statement”, and signing by Clerk and Chairman **APPROVED**
- b) Approval of “Section 2 Accounting Statements”, and signing by RFO and Chairman **APPROVED**

2363 Lengthsman Scheme

Cllr Stubbs has made good progress and work has commenced on the recreation ground.

TO APPROVE: Agreement for year ending March 2027 **APPROVED**

2364 Parking along Braishfield Road

Poor visibility by The Dog and Crook due to a van parked on the main road - this is because of building works taking longer than expected and should be resolved shortly.

2365 Matters for Agenda at Subsequent Meeting

BVN submission

Cllr Brazier congratulated Sally Yalden on becoming the Hampshire County Councillor for the Baddesley division.

2366 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 7th July 2026 at 7pm

Signed Chairman: _____

Date: _____