

BRAISHFIELD RECREATION GROUND

Minutes of the Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council as Sole Trustee of
Braishfield Recreation Ground
held at Braishfield Village Hall
on Tuesday 7 March 2017, 9:20 to 9:40pm

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council as Sole Trustee

Chairman John Bevan
Vice Chairman Mike Edwards
Cllr Jane Bennett
Cllr Carole Renvoize
Cllr Peter White

Others

Clerk/RFO to Braishfield Parish Council Kate
Orange

Apologies

157. Cllr Richard Brazier sent his apologies. He was unable to attend the Meeting due to family commitments.

Disclosure of Personal and Financial Interests by Councillors

158. No new personal or financial interests were declared by any Councillor.

Previous Minutes

159. The Minutes of the Meeting of 17/1/17 were agreed and signed by the Chairman
Report on Lease with the Football Club

160. Cllr White reported on progress towards the final draft of the lease with the football club, for the pavilion. The main outstanding issue was whether any maintenance would occur at weekends, and the Trustee has confirmed that, except in the case of emergency work, it will not. Cllr White has sent the Trustee's instructions to the solicitors.

Report on Installation of Cycle Racks

161. The cycle racks have been installed in the Village Hall car-park.

Report on the Possibility of Merging the Charities for Which Braishfield Parish Council is the Sole Trustee

162. Cllr Peter White reported on the alternative options for merging the Charities for which Braishfield Parish Council is the Sole Trustee (Braishfield Recreation Ground and Braishfield War Memorials).

Merger: Charities which have been merged are administered as one charity, including having a single bank account. This is possible if both the trusteeship is identical (as it is in this instance), and the objects of the charities are sufficiently similar. Cllr White will enquire of the Charity Commission whether the objects of Braishfield War Memorial and Braishfield Recreation Ground are sufficiently similar to allow a merger.

Link:

Charities which have the same trusteeship (as in this instance) can be "linked". The only benefit of linking charities is that a single Return is submitted to the Charity Commission annually. All other aspects of management remain the same.

Grounds Maintenance

163. The Clerk has obtained three quotations for grounds maintenance in the range of £1,112.05 to £3,390.00 excluding VAT.

It was proposed to accept the quotation by Test Valley Borough Council of £1112.05 excluding VAT for grounds maintenance as set out in their email dated 7/3/17.

RESOLVED

Maintenance of Trees

164. *It was proposed that Cllr Jane Bennett should obtain, for the Trustee's consideration and approval, quotations for maintenance work to trees as detailed in the Arboricultural Report by Christopher Hoare Ltd.*

RESOLVED

Inspection of Play Area

165. The Trustee received the Report on the Inspection of the Play Area dated 15/2/17.

166. *It was proposed that Test Valley Borough Council should be instructed to repair the worn chains as detailed in their report on the Inspection of the Play Area dated 15/2/17, at a cost of £40 excluding VAT.*

RESOLVED

167. *It was proposed that Members of the Council will carry out work to remove trip hazards at gate thresholds.*

RESOLVED

Football Club's Use of Gas Barbecue

168. *It was proposed that the Football Club should be permitted to use a gas barbecue.*

RESOLVED

Financial Report for the End of the 3rd Quarter

169. The Trustee received the Financial Report for the End of the 3rd Quarter of the current financial year.

Payments

170. The Trustee agreed to make the following payment following the Meeting:
Christopher Hoare Tree Services Ltd: £600.00

RESOLVED

171. The Trustee agreed to make the following payment before the next meeting, once the work has been completed:

Test Valley Borough Council (repair to chains in play area): £48.00

RESOLVED

Next Meeting

172. The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 2nd May 2017.