

# BRAISHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Braishfield  
on Tuesday 1st April 2014

PRESENT:-

Mike Prince (Chairman)  
Dorothy Ross  
Peter White  
Mike Edwards  
Beverley Murtagh  
Martin Hatley (Borough Councillor)

Apologies for absence were received from Carole Renvoize and Clive John

311. MINUTES

It was agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th March 2014 are signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

312. COMMUNITY SPORTS

In connection with table tennis equipment etc, Mike Edwards said that the Section 106 spreadsheet showed there is £1167.18 for informal recreation and £911.61 for children's playspace available from the construction of a dwelling in Hill View. Martin Hatley mentioned that money may be moved from one 'pot' to another with the agreement of the developer.

TVBC requires documentation on the need and three quotations for items to be purchased. Research on items to be acquired is being carried out. Martin Hatley suggested that Hampshire County Supplies might be a suitable supplier.

The question of a village defibrillator was raised and Martin Hatley said that his fund could contribute to one. Mike Edwards volunteered to investigate the purchase of a defibrillator.

Mike Edwards also pointed out that there is about £13000 for highways and £2700 for public open space Section 106 money in the pipeline from Fairbournes Farm.

313. WOODLAND TRUST

It was noted that trees are available from the Woodland Trust but the difficulty is finding somewhere for planting them.

314. BRAISHFIELD ROAD ROUNDABOUT

The Council discussed the new Sandy Lane roundabout in response to an email from Meryl Balchin objecting to it on grounds of appearance and safety.

It was said that in some respects the roundabout is better than before and that lights are not wanted to illuminate the direction signage. However, it was considered to be too narrow in places, particularly if a car is alongside an HGV. Mike Edwards said that he wants HCC to be told that Braishfield villagers do not feel safe at the roundabout. HCC is due to review its operation and the Council will await the report. Martin Hatley suggested that Mike Edwards contacts Philip

Liddell of Ace Liftaway to ascertain his opinion of the roundabout from the HGV operator's point of view.

There was much discussion about the sightlines. If approaching along Sandy Lane, the sightline to the right is extensive which results in traffic approaching at excessive speed. On the other hand, southbound Braishfield traffic has a very restricted sightline to the right which brings traffic almost to a standstill. A better balance is perhaps required. It was wondered whether there is any hedge planting to be done, not just to restrict sightlines but also to screen the cemetery.

315. LASHAM GLIDING

A letter from the Lasham Gliding Club about increased air traffic from Farnborough was noted.

316. PLANNING

a) Applications pending or recent outcome

13/02646/FULLS	Village Hall, Braishfield Road	Extension	Sup	
14/00313/AGNS	Oakley Farm, Fernhill Copse	Barn and mobile home	Obj	Prior approval not required
13/02778/FULLS	Land off Braishfield Road	Affordable Housing	Obj	Deferred
14/00174/FULLS	Necton Cottage, Paynes Hay Road	Change of agricultural land to domestic	Obj	Permission
14/00126/FULLS	Fishponds Farm, Kings Somborne Road	2 storey extension	Nobj	No objection
14/00083/FULLS	Hazlewood, Braishfield Road	Replacement gym etc structure	Nobj	Permission
14/00031/CLPS	Whites and Cromwell Cottages, Dore Lane	Convert two cottages into one	Nobj	Permission
14/00308/FULLS	Sharpes Farm, Lower Street	Garden alterations	Obj	
TVG006	Hilliers Arboretum, Jermyns Lane	Deer fence	Nobj	

PC original response - Sup supported, Obj objected, Nobj no objection

b) New Planning Applications

The Council considered new planning applications as follows:

14/00572/FULLS	Pucknall Farm, Dores Lane	Manure clamp	No objection	
14/00710/FULLS	Potters Clay, Braishfield Road	Erection of shed	No decision. Information not yet	



319. FOOTPATHSa) Footpath 1

Dorothy Ross is investigating a report that Footpath 1 has been blocked off.

b) Horses

Mike Edwards complained about horses using footpaths, in particular along Footpath 9. Apart from not being legal, it is dangerous to walkers. He suggested that HCC should be asked to provide stiles or gates to prevent this. Mike Prince said that is contacting HCC about the access along Footpath 13 to Oakley Farm and will raise the issue of the horses at the same time.

320. RECREATION GROUNDa) Grass cutting quotation

It was agreed the Chairman signs the TVBC quotation for grass cutting at a total cost of £923.39.

b) Playground inspection quotation

It was agreed the Chairman signs the TVBC quotation for playground inspections at a total cost of £179.36.

c) Football Club lease

The Clerk presented a draft response to the Football Club's queries about the new pavilion lease. During discussion this was broadly agreed with the exception of clause 7.1.1 which deals with the insurance being in joint names.

It was agreed that Peter White will finalise the response to Mr Howorth of Footner Ewing.

321. REPORT OF BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

As it happened, Martin Hatley had just received an email from a villager complaining about the new roundabout. The concern raised was with the difference in sightlines between the Sandy Lane approach and the Braishfield Road southbound approach. There followed a long discussion on the matter and Martin Hatley said he would raise the issue within TVBC the following day.

He mentioned the temporary car park at the Rapids which will now become permanent.

Villagers with green waste bags will have a choice in future whether to continue with the existing bags or to use a green wheelie bin. Using a wheelie bin is easier for some residents, rather than hauling a bag.

322. FINANCIAL MATTERSa) AGREED that the following accounts are paid:

JBF Rhodes	Salary & expenses March	£136.71
HMRC	Clerk's March PAYE deduction	£82.40
TVBC	Grounds maintenance	£589.64
TVBC	Playground inspections	£210.38
TVBC	Dog bin emptying	£50.88
HALC	Annual subscription	£241.00
ID Knight	Recreation Ground tree work	£1320.00

b) Bank accounts

After approval of the above invoices, there is £9056.68 uncommitted in the two bank accounts.

323. OPEN PERIOD

Anne Edwards said she felt people in the village ought to be able to contact the Parish Council more easily. She has looked at the way other Parish Councils provide more information about contact details, some with photographs of Councillors.

The affordable housing issue highlighted the need for this and she was disappointed that some people in the village were purporting to represent her, yet her views on the matter had not been sought. She was disappointed with the email survey doing the rounds. Mike Prince said he has spoken to David Robinson about the survey.

It was suggested that an article should be placed in the Braishfield Village News.

324. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Mike Prince said he is trying to organise the BT project director to speak on broadband at the Annual Parish Meeting.

325. CLERK

Mike Prince presented John Rhodes with a card from all the Council thanking him for his fifteen years as Clerk. He and his wife Glynis were invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting to mark his departure.

326. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 6th May 2014 at 6.30pm, preceding the Annual Parish Meeting at 8.00pm.