

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Braishfield Parish Council
Held in the Braishfield Village Hall on 5th November 2024 (19.00 - 20.50)

Present

Members of Braishfield Parish Council:

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

Others:

Clerk/RFO, Jane Ray
Ward member: Cllr Sally Yalden
Members of the Public: 2

2751 Apologies

None

2752 Members' Interests in the Business for the Meeting

None

2753 Accuracy of Minutes

The Council agreed the accuracy of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of 9th October 2024

RESOLVED

2754 Public Participation

None

2755 Correspondence

Volunteers for a speed watch group, new community engagement ranger, Historic Buildings workshop

2756 Chairman's Report

a) Nothing to report

b) Borough Councillor's Report

Councillor Community Grant: now available for applications - £1168 available.

Casbrook Recycling Centre: will not close

Winter Fuel Allowance: A motion was debated and resolved by the Council at its meeting on 16 October. Sally was pleased to be able to add an amendment to the one on the Winter Fuel Allowance which will include targeted letters to those who may be eligible

Autumn Litter Pick: 9th November at 10am

2757 New Councillor Co-option

A new advert has gone to the BVN for the next edition

2758 Planning Decisions:

a) 24/02128/TREES Braishfield Recreation Ground - approved

2759 Planning Applications TVBC:

a) 24/02421/TREES Boares Garden, Braishfield Road

Ash - reduce back to previous pruning point **NO COMMENT**

- b) 24/02420/TREES Dean House, Newport Lane, Braishfield
T1 - Multi Stem Goat Willow - prune back over lane **NO COMMENT**
- c) 24/02526/FULLS Hillier Brentry Nurseries, Jermyns Lane
Redevelopment including 245 dwellings

The proposed development is not allocated in the Local Plan and therefore contrary to current policy. It is in the countryside and outside the settlement boundary **OBJECTION**

2760 Update on:

- a) Hedging along Recreation Ground - still waiting for a response re Hampshire Community Hedge Fund
- b) Speed Watch Volunteers
We have four volunteers and a group meeting will take place in the New Year
ACTION: Cllr Yalden to speak to Ampfield PC about their equipment
- c) Grant Application Car Park: The grant application was declined.
ACTION: Consider a CAF grant application in April 2025
- d) Enforcement Issues: Winterbury Cottage has gone to appeal, Cosy Cub planning application is still pending

2761 Update on: Neighbourhood Development Plan

Nothing to report

2762 Update on: Thriving Communities Workshop with TVBC

Louisa Rice spoke about how successful the meeting had been and that she was very impressed with progress that has already been made in arranging a Volunteer Fair in February 2025. The social club have agreed use at a suggested cost of £150. Cllr Knights felt unhappy about this and offered use of the Village Hall for free. Louisa suggested ways to involve younger people in the village e.g. Youth Council, Council work experience, volunteering with a reward

ACTION: The Parish Council agreed to support the project

Cllr Brazier to meet with the social club and discuss cost

2763 Clerk's Report

- a) Payments
 - £791.27 Jane Ray - salary
 - £12.42 Jane Ray - Mileage
 - £132.84 Mike Ray - Speed radar movement
 - £188.09 Jane Ray Back pay
- b) Pre-authorized payments made between meetings
 - £133.65 Test Valley Maintenance
 - £2.64 HMRC DD
 - £35.00 ICO DD
- c) Clerks Annual Salary Rise - **APPROVED**

2764 Budget Requirements 2025/26

APPROVED: Update to current budget plus spending this year on hedge planting and portable speed gun

2765 Resilience Plan

ACTION: Clerk, Cllr Bennett, Cllr Knights to meet to discuss equipment storage, document submission to TVBC and use of remaining grant

2766 Matters for Agenda at Subsequent Meeting

Budget, resilience, volunteer fair

2767 Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on 3rd December 2024

Signed Chairman: _____

Date: _____