

## BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

### Minutes of a meeting held at at Anvil Cottage on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017

**Present:** Jimmy Chestnutt (Chairman), Sheila Still (Vice Chairman/Treasurer), Sue Mullane (Distribution), Mike Mullane (BVN Editor), Julie Kemp and Ian Jeffery (Events), Jill Briggs, Chris Balchin (Webeditor/Secretary)

#### **Apologies**

Mike Stubbs

#### **Minutes of Sept meeting**

Agreed

#### **Report on actions:**

Cupernham Lane Planning Application – MS to write note for Network - done

#### **Correspondence**

Rodney Robson thanks for book token as a retiring distributor

#### **Financial report**

Current assets total £5,951.14.

Number of donations to date are 36 amounting to £791.82 against last year 27 and £553 for the same period.

3 advertising invoices outstanding.

Advertising to date totals £1,683 against last year £1,848.

Donated £200 to BMADs from the profit made at the Trafalgar Dinner.

#### **Parish Council matters**

The PC Chairman still hoped to form a planning subcommittee. A note was sent from the BVA supporting that initiative.

A Community Emergency Plan committee was due to be re-formed chaired by Jane Bennett. IJ volunteered to represent the BVA at the next meeting.

The VDS is going to be reviewed as it was still felt to be highly relevant. It may lead to Parish Plan. (Editorial Note: **What is a Parish Plan?** A Parish Plan is a document prepared by a community, which describes how the community sees itself developing over the next few years. It is about what is important in your local community and cover the whole spectrum of social, economic and environmental issues)

#### **Planning issues**

There are two outstanding planning applications for development in the countryside to the west of Cupernham Lane.

No decision made yet for the footpath from the roundabout to the Dog & Crook by the Minister.

Awaiting decision on appeal for Abbotsford.

#### **News & Residents Guide & Distribution**

Due to the potential move of the Mullanes out of Braishfield **SM** proposed to write a job description for both the BVN Editor and the Distributor. The roles will be advertised in the Dec BVN.

**IJ** will look into the cost of employing a professional editor.

A distributor to replace Rodney Robson in the Slackstead area will be advertised in the next edition of the BVN **SM**

The Residents Guide inputs have been made and a proof copy will be distributed by **SM**

### **The Village Network.**

Nothing to report

### **Website**

Nothing to report

### **Broadband and Mobile coverage**

There is reported improvement in the village with Vodafone mobile coverage.

JC has sent a letter has been sent to Caroline Nokes outlining the issues on broadband speed on the periphery of the village – Pucknall, Slackstead, Farley and Parnholt – seeking support.

### **Event updates**

**Trafalgar Dinner** went well with thanks to the BMADs (see earlier minute) and the villagers for helping to clear up after the event.

**Christmas carol/sing along** - sub committee set up to make arrangements – **IJ**. Suggestion that the same present for all ages

**RAF100** – date to be fixed around September 2018 in liaison with Romsey Branch RAFA.

**New Years Day Walk** to be arranged by MS (?) - **SM** to check

### **AGM**

Date set 18 Jan 2018. Article to be placed in BVN and notices put around the village

### **AOB**

None

Forthcoming meetings:

8 Jan 2018                      Hazel Cottage (SM/MM)

18 Jan 2018                     Village Hall - AGM