

Braishfield Village Association

Minutes of a meeting on 10th September 2018 at Braishfield Village Hall

Present: Ian Jeffery (Chair), Julie Kemp, Mike Stubbs, Chris Balchin, Wendy Dolby-Stevens, Lisa Burdett, Jill Briggs.

No other village attendees.

1. Apologies - Sheila Still
2. Minutes of 9 July 2018 agreed
3. Matters arising
 1. Centralised diary - Article for next BVN to announce implementation (Chris/Jill). Ian to contact village groups (circulate list to committee first). Action: Chris/Jill/Ian
 2. Printing extra copies of BVN; done.
 3. 'Next-door' App. After further research this idea will not be pursued but agreed Facebook profile to be set up. Action: Michael Stubbs
 4. Upload event photos; ongoing.
 5. Broadband & Mobile. Cabinets 4 and 7 have been upgraded to Fibre.
 6. Donations page to include internet banking details. Done.
4. Correspondence - Email to editor complaining about excessive horns being used in the village.
5. Committee member vacancy - Advert in BVN for volunteer committee member; also put on Facebook. Action: Ian/Mike/Wendy
6. Village News back-up editor. In practise, too difficult to implement. Committee will share out tasks if and when it becomes an issue.
7. Village Network - Ian will be backup for Chris for the village email. There are about 200 people signed up for emails (about 150 households).
8. Village Website - Nothing to report.
9. Broadband & mobile - New BT fibre cabinet 4 has been fitted by the school. Cabinet 7 upgraded to fibre
10. Financial Report - Bank balance £6,019.15. Donations received since last meeting £45.00. Donations to date £397.70 (36% down on last year). Advertising to date £1,719 (19.3% increase on last year). Printing costs

(excluding residents guide) £1,078.30, increase of 7.9% on last year. BVA/RAF 100 event raised £300, split equally between RAF100 charity and BVA.

11. Parish Council matters

1. Planning issues

1. New development at Iignus (one house)
 2. Michael Stubbs has joined the Village Design Statement Committee and will circulate their report to BVA committee members.
 3. Michael also reported that if the Parish Council signed up to the Test Valley Neighbourhood Plan this would mean that up to 5 houses could be built in the village every 2 years.
2. Speeding concerns - The recent Parish Council meeting was attended by several villagers and it was agreed that a subcommittee would be formed to include members of the Council and villagers to explore the options available to address speeding issues. Michael Stubbs is a member of this new subcommittee.
3. Emergency Action Plan - Ian informed the committee that there will be a public presentation of the Plan and the Village Design Statement on 7 November 2018 from 4.00 - 7.00pm.

12. Events

1. Review of RAF 100 - Good event, lot of hard work but seemed to be enjoyed by all.
2. Christmas Singalong (Tues 11 December). Hall is booked from 5.00 - 7.00pm if weather is wet but agreed to hold event outside if possible. Julie will try to find a Santa and two elves. Action: Julie
3. Braishfield Family Festival (July 6th 2019). Brief discussions on format but agreed it would be a family event with picnic, bands, bar, bbq, ice cream van. Try to find sponsors to keep costs down. Jill to write to Kate Orange regarding the recreation ground. Action: Jill

13. Any Other Business

1. Recent thefts. Jill to check to see if we are still members of Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Wendy will put a reminder to be vigilant in BVN. Action: Jill/Wendy
2. Agreed that the back page of the next issue of the BVN will give focus to Armistice Day. Wendy suggested that the village could have Tommy figures and will investigate costs involved; decision needs to be made by 1 October. Action: Wendy.
3. Chris informed the Committee of his intention to step down sometime next year. He will be retiring from his responsibilities with the village website, email network and diary.

14. Date of next meeting 29 October, venue tba.