

# BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of a meeting held at  
Boares Garden on Monday 14 Nov 2016

**PRESENT:** Jimmy Chestnutt, JC (Chairman); Sheila Still, SS (Treasurer); Julie Kemp, JK; Ian Jeffery, IJ; Sue Mullane, SM (Distribution); Michael Stubbs, MS (Planning); Chris Balchin, CB (Secretary/Website).

**APOLOGIES:** Mike Mullane, MM (News Editor)

## MINUTES

Minutes of Sept meeting were agreed.

## MATTERS ARISING

JC – Note added to last BVN thanking villagers for their donations

SS – Outstanding invoice cancelled

SS – Bank transfer from HSBC to TSB completed following signing of chairman/secretary to complete the closure of the HSBC account

JC – Article from John Bevan regarding footpaths down Crookhill to appear in next BVN.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Bank: Current Account: £4,929.29. Deposit Account will be set up when the bank transfer is settled. 27 donations to date. Total £553. Corresponding period in 2015: 21 donations £352.

## PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council minutes can be found at <http://braishfield-pc.org/minutes/>

Agenda items of interest:

The Village Hall/Recreation Ground car park surface was discussed. Although the Village Hall Trustees are obliged to maintain the car park from a 1908 lease the PC decided that as the car park is a village asset and they have maintained it over the last 36 years they will continue to do so – using a grant or loan tbd. The PC will look at a re-worded lease for the Village Hall.

The S106 monies from previous housing developments in the village, which was all allocated to Children's playground, and re-allocated to the Village Hall refurbishment is progressing.

The PC discussed Neighbourhood Planning, Parish Plans and Village Design Statements (VDS). The councillors considered that the current VDS accurately reflects the parish as it is to-day. A check list of 40 recommendations from the VDS has been compiled which will be used in considering future planning applications.

The PC is to offer a site on PC land for the erection of a mobile phone mast.

Ongoing activities are still not recorded.

## **PLANNING**

Abbotsford development of 46 houses was refused on 3 reasons:  
Unjustified housing outside the defined settlement boundary  
No mitigation proposal for New Forest SPA (bird protection)  
No affordable housing proposed

Parish Council opposed the outline application for 60 dwellings Kings Somborne

The Hilliers Garden car park extension was discussed – potential loss of specimen trees.

Villagers are encouraged to check the Parish Council website of any plans they may wish to view and/or comment on - <http://braishfield-pc.org/planning/>

## **NEWS & RESIDENTS' GUIDE**

**News.** Nothing to report

**Residents' Guide.** Nothing to report

## **DISTRIBUTION**

SM reported that Peter Sidebotham has retired as a distributor due to ill health and Val Townsend has replaced him.

## **THE VILLAGE NETWORK**

Advert on Notice Boards faded. Remove - **CB**

## **WEBSITE**

Quick links to VH and Church Room bookings on home page

## **EVENTS**

**IJ** accepted the role of events coordinator

- **Christmas Tree Festival** - **IJ** will create and decorate a tree on a Royal theme
- **Christmas Sing-a-long** 20 Dec in cooperation with Village Hall. Arrangements are coming together.
- **New Years Day Walk** – **MS** will arrange and publicise in next BVN

Other events tbc

- **Murder Mystery Play** with BMADs in 2017 – no progress
- **Antiques Roadshow** – **JK** will contact Woolley and Wallis in New Year
- An evening with the **Elderley Group** – **JC** to contact Carole Renvoize.
- **Auction of Promises** – no progress
- **Nelson dinner** – 31 Oct – 2017?

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

## **DATES OF MEETINGS**

Committee meetings – 7.00pm

9 Jan 2017                      Hazel Cottage (SM/MM)  
19 Jan 2017                     AGM (Village Hall) - booked