

BRAISHFIELD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

9 MARCH 2026

Present: Julie Kemp, Wendy Dolby-Stevens, Kate Marshall, Ian Jeffery, Jill Briggs, Carolyn Ward, Chris Wyers.

1. APOLOGIES: Paul.
2. MINUTES of last meeting 8 September 2025. Agreed.
3. COMPLETED ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING (See other sections for carried over actions):
 - A. Website - Ongoing - Do we want to keep many old BVN's on the site? **Action: Carolyn**
 - B. BVN - No real issues although some information relating to other village groups appears to be out of date. A separate note (box) to be placed in the BVN asking contacts to notify CM in the case of any errors in their information. **Action: Wendy.**
 - C. BVN - Kate is working on the introduction to BMADS – **Action: Kate**
 - D. The PC asked if a planning map may be included on the front cover of the BVN. This was declined, although it was suggested that the PC ask for this to be included within the BVN with an additional explanation. Julie will feed this back. **Action: Julie.**
 - E. Quiz - Little progress has been made with the raffle which Ian and Julie will take forward
Action Julie/Ian
 - F. New Year's Eve – Ian to book Church Rooms for 4pm – 8pm. **Action: Ian**
 - G. BVN write-up for VJ Day – **Action: Ian**
 - H. Introducing Groups within the village. Kate will approach the churches to see if they would put together their photos and a short piece in time for the Dec edition. **Action: Kate**
 - I. BVN - A villager was mentioned and Kate will speak to them about the possibility of them taking this over. **Action: Wendy/Kate**
 - J. BVA Social - 8th Dec 7:00pm – Dog and Crook – Invite CM – **Action: Julie**
4. CORRESPONDENCE:

None received.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT:

£3,512 in the bank. Obviously not producing the February BVN has meant lower expenditure.

All advertisers are now at the higher advertiser rate.

6. CHAIR'S REPORT:

Julie gave an update on Paul. Hopefully he will be fit and well to join us shortly..

7. WEBSITE:

Suggest putting a note on stating that earlier copies of Minutes, BVN's, etc. are available on request. **Action: Carolyn to contact Chip.**

8. BVN:

Julie provided an update received via email for Paul:

- The reminder email will go out to contributors Friday 13 March for the 20 March deadline.
- Kate has passed on the advertisers list so the ads have been set up already - there is just a few queries on what advert goes the back page. Wendy to contact Paul – **Action: Wendy**
- Romsey Road Runners have sent a notice for road closures in June - this has been added to the BVN.

Next steps:

- Typeset and layout publication from all the April content received.
- Proof the artwork and back up with Sam.
- Proof PDF to Chair - liaise on any amends.
- Add Chair content.
- Final proof and back up of artwork on BVN editor drive.
- Send hi-res PDF artwork to printer.
- Send web optimised PDF to Chip for Braishfield website.

Regarding the focus on other groups section, approach the Garden Club for an introduction -

Action: Chris

Similarly, approach the Village Hall committee – **Action: Jill**

Further ahead, consider including the pubs and any other groups – **Action: ALL**

9. DISTRIBUTION:

Consideration to be given about the supply of BVN's should proposed buildings go ahead

Action: ALL

10. 2026 COMMITTEE ROLES/RESPONSIBILITIES

Roles remain unchanged for the Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. The Network will continue under Wendy and the Website under Chip

11. PARISH COUNCIL NEWS:

Members agreed to attend the following PC meetings:

March 10th – Julie

April 8th – Ian

May 5th – Wendy

June 2nd – Kate

July 7th – Carolyn

August 4th – Julie

12. FUTURE EVENTS:

Kate explained that BMADS are holding a meeting tomorrow and there may be an event later this year. It is possible there will be an approach to the BVA to co-host. If so, we would be happy to do the hands-on elements, e.g. put tables out, bar, raffle, teas/coffees, etc.

Also under consideration:

Quiz – **Action: Ian**

Dog Agility/Obedience/Show? Could it be linked to the Summer Show (Sat 18th July)? Contact

Steve Renvoize – **Action: Julie**

13. OTHER BUSINESS:

None

14. NEXT MEETING DATES:

Thursday 7th May – Jill's

Monday 29th June – Wendy's