



## Bramshaw Parish Council New Forest Hampshire

### Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 25 September 2018 at 7:30pm in the Community Room of Bramshaw Village Hall

Present: Councillors: Sally Day (SD) – Chair, Martin Vann (MV) – Vice-chair, David Johnston (DJ), Jenny Watts (JW), Sue Bennison (SB), Kay Harrison (KH), and Cllr Diane Andrews (DA),

There were 3 members of the public present.

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##### **127/18 Apologies for Absence**

Mark Medley (MM) and Cllr Edward Heron (EH).

##### **128/18 Declarations of interest**

SB declared an interest in planning application 18/00518 Bramble Hill Hotel, meaning she'd comment but not take part in the voting process

##### **129/18 Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 28 August 2018 were approved and signed. There were no matters arising.

##### **130/18 Public Forum**

##### **131/18 Councillors' Reports**

**SD:** None

**MV:** Traffic Calming – Tobias confirmed that assent has been received from Natural England to the traffic calming scheme. HCC has also granted a licence for the road signs. Tobias will get back to us as soon as he knows more about the implementation timescales.

**Action: MV** will provide an update to SD to deliver at the October meeting. If there is nothing to update for October, MV will deliver an update at the November meeting

**DJ:** See 133/18 Planning

**JW:** None

**SB:** 1) Forest Design Plan 2016: SB was invited by the Chairman of the Consultative Panel to a meeting 18 Sept. The purpose to see first-hand what the effect of the current Forest Design Plan 2016 will have on the whole of the Forest regarding commercial woodland production by the FC. Plans were shared for the areas closest to Bramshaw. There is currently an E.I.A open for consultation until the 30th September

2) Broadband: SB has been invited as a District Councillor to provide evidence in readiness for the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Panel when they meet 22 November, MV offered a response for Sue to submit to NFDC on behalf of the PC. The PC reviewed and approved this evidence (from the residents of Fritham and Eyeworth who are inadequately served by broadband coverage). BPC welcome assistance from NFDC to rectify this situation.

**KH:** None

**Cll DA:** Delivered her update as follows:-

- On 3 Sept it was the Safer New Forest Strategy & Delivery group meeting, all Town and Parish Councils were invited to attend and ask questions of Rob Mitchell and other members. It was a good opportunity for Towns and Parishes to engage.
- On 4 Sept I attended the New Forest Parks Partnership Plan projects tour. The objective of the meeting was to visit successful partnership projects and discuss future challenges. I found the information given by Dr. Naomi Ewald regarding pollution in our rivers fascinating and encouraging on what can be achieved. The New Forest has been described as a clean water gem. I was interested to note that water has a DNA and can be traced to a source, this is particularly important for those with Septic tanks or sewage treatment plants if not working properly both systems can release raw sewage polluting the water in the ground. Owners and farmers are asked to make sure that there is no run off from their properties discharging into watercourses.
- On 12 November a free conference will be held at Brockenhurst College and cover four major issues chosen by S.N.F.S & D. group. Drug and Alcohol related Harm, Children at risk (supporting families/Children and young people), Domestic abuse, and Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking. Workshop subjects will be topical e.g. The effects of gaming on children.
- I met the Police Crime Commissioner Michael Lane in Lymington and visited the new Police station (the rear section of Lymington Town Hall). It's expected to be open early Spring 2019. There'll be a public desk and some response vehicles will be moved from Lyndhurst to Lymington to better serve the Forest as a whole.
- Renewal of Bus Passes no longer automatic if you have not used it in the previous six months. The holder must first email [concessionary.fares@hants.gov.uk](mailto:concessionary.fares@hants.gov.uk) with the following information:- bus pass number, name and old address and the details of new address, telephone number and email address.

**132/18 Litter – Bins at Nomansland, recyclable domestic waste**

- Cllr Bishop from Landford Parish Council attended to discuss Bramshaw PC's proposal that the cost of replacing 2x bins with pony-proof bins supplied and fitted by NFDC is shared. (Minute 107/18). The cost of replacing both bins was confirmed by SB as being £955.
- Cllr Bishop indicated that, regardless of cost, Landford PC are not prepared to contribute anything on the basis that the bins are located within Bramshaw.
- Everyone agreed that the bins are in a state of disrepair, an eyesore, and potentially a risk to adults, children, and livestock. A discussion ensued as to whether the bins should be:-
  1. Removed permanently
  2. Removed and the litter situation monitored over the coming months in order to determine whether or not the bins should be replaced with pony-proof bins
  3. Replaced with pony-proof bins now, with Bramshaw PC bearing the full cost

Given these options, SB reminded the council that:-

- the Forestry Commission will not organise or pay for their removal,
- if the bins are removed, permission from various parties (e.g. Natural England and Forestry Commission) will be needed before they can be reinstalled at a later date
- plus, if the bins are removed and reintroduced at a later date, Wiltshire CC may not continue to empty them (strictly speaking, it's not their responsibility as Bramshaw PC comes under HCC)

Cllr. Kay Harrison proposed a vote take place on option 2 above. Cllr. Martin Vann seconded the motion.

Cllr. Martin Vann proposed a vote take place on option 3 above. Cllr. Sue Bennison seconded the motion.

Voting took place on option 2. by a show of hands. For: 5 Against: 1

Voting took place on option 3. by a show of hands. For: 4 Against: 2

**It was resolved that option 3 be implemented**

Given this option, a caveat was proposed that timing is important, and that the landowner is responsible IF any injuries occur. **This was unanimously agreed.**

**Action: SB** to take the lead. To establish when the new bins will be put in place, and update at the October meeting.

#### **133/18 Planning – led by DJ**

- **18/00645**

Site: Marsh Farm, Penn Common Road, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JN.

Proposal: Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for continued use of mobile home as residential dwelling

Decision: After discussion, voting took place by a show of hands. In favour: 6 (unanimous)

Recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below:

- The Parish Council accepts the evidence of the Applicant, Heather Miles and Mr&Mrs Howe, that the mobile home has been sited at Marsh Farm and occupied for residential purposes for a period exceeding 25 years.
- One of the councillors with personal knowledge of the site also confirmed to the Council that the facts claimed are true.

- **18/00518**

Site: Bramble Hill Hotel, Bramble Hill, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JG.

Proposal: Retention of frame mounted solar panels to leisure complex roof

Decision: After discussion, voting took place by a show of hands. In favour: 5. SB did not take part in the voting process.

Recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authorities Officers under their delegated powers. The reasons are:-

- the proposal is reasonable
- there is no adverse impact upon the character and appearance of the area
- the use of solar power to replace oil is to be encouraged

- the council supports local business
- Bramshaw PC agreed to recommend the condition that, should the solar panels no longer be required for heating water, they shall be removed, and the roof of the swimming pool extension made good; in agreement with the National Park Authority
- **R14/15/18/0833**  
Site: Longbeech Caravan and Camping Site, Fritham, SO43 7HH  
Proposal: CHPD – Clearing highways/paths/driveways/cables. Emergency Low Voltage Works causing necessary pruning on various trees.  
Decision: For information only – no decision required
- **18/00731**  
Site: Warrens, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JH  
Proposal: Removal of an internal dividing wall (application for Listed Building consent)  
Decision: the council resolved unanimously that no comment was required
- **Tree Works: CONS/18/0750, CONS/18/0778, CONS/18/0798, CONS/18/0885**  
 As they're supported by professional tree surgeons, the council resolved unanimously that they would leave the applications in the discretion of the National Park Authority.

**134/18 Lengthman Scheme**

- i) Telephone box: replacement of lower door panel required.  
Action: KH to obtain a quote from a carpenter and present back to the PC at the October meeting
- ii) Tidiness: Action: KH to ask Lengthsman to maintain tidiness of all telephone boxes.

**135/18 Footpaths:** SD confirmed that Fritham footpath is now completely clear

**136/18 Consideration of action relating to Pylons at Hale:** adjourned to the October meeting

**137/18 Bramshaw Telegraph:** Proposal given by MC to content and frequency for a relaunch in November. Proposal approved by the Parish Council.  
 GDPR demands opt-in to subscribe to receipt by email. Action: SD to send MC template.  
Action: SB to send MC details of key community contacts

**138/18 Email addresses for clerk and councillors to comply with GDPR:** adjourned to the October meeting

**139/18 Internal audit:** adjourned to the October meeting

**140/18 Finance & Cheques**

The Schedule of Accounts including account balances dated 19 September 2018 were agreed and authorised. Details below.

**Bank balances**

Main Account (as at 19.09.18): £ 11,833.44

### Main Account

Payee	Detail	Amount £	Cheque No.
M Camilleri	Salary (incl office space allowance)	425.93	Standing Order
Total debit		£425.93	

Receipts	Detail	Amount £	Deposit Ref.
None		£0.00	
Total credit		£0.00	

### **141/18 Correspondence**

- i) Grant request (under S137) from New Forest Disability Service – adjourned to the October meeting
- ii) Thank you received for S137 grant (awarded for churchyard maintenance)
- iii) Email from parishioner - waste burning of noxious fumes in the parish. Reminder that if anyone is bothered by noxious fumes, they should contact the Environment Agency through their confidential hotline 0800 807060, email [enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk) or call Crimestoppers 0800 555111.
- iv) Email from parishioner – speeding in Forest Road. Discussion took place on possible action the Parish Council can take  
**Action: SB** to ask Tobias for roundals to be remarked  
**Action: SB** to contact local PCSO to ask if he could do some speed monitoring along this road (which is 30mph limit)
- v) Invite from NT to attend a coffee morning to meet their local rangers 6 October: No one available to attend
- vi) Offer from NF Northern Common’s new Community Ranger to attend a PC meeting to give an update on forestry operations taking place Sept-Oct 2018  
**Action: MC** to invite them to Annual Assembly 2019, for a more timely update
- vii) Email from PCSO Richard Williams - burglary alert of sheds and outbuildings in the area (mostly bicycles and power tools stolen). Make sure sheds and outbuildings are secure, and if see or hear anything suspicious, call the police
- viii) Annual reminder from Hampshire to riparian landowners to carry out maintenance on watercourses or drainage ditch on or adjacent to their land

### **142/18 Items for the next agenda**

- i) Replacement of bins at Nomansland: update from **SB**
- ii) Traffic Calming: update
- iii) Set-up of Outlook emails for councillors and Clerk: update from **MM**
- iv) Telephone Box quote: update from **KH**
- v) Transparency Code 2015: report by **MC**
- vi) Change of auditor: report from **MC**
- vii) Grant request (under S137) from New Forest Disability Service

**143/18** Being no further business, SD closed the meeting at 9:30pm  
Agreed the next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 23 October 2018 at 7.30pm** in the Community Room at Bramshaw Village Hall.