



## BRAMSHAW PARISH COUNCIL NEW FOREST HAMPSHIRE

### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25 January 2017, AT BRAMSHAW VILLAGE HALL.

#### Members Present:

Sue Bennison - Chairman (SB)  
Sally Day (SD)  
David Johnston (DJ)  
Jenny Watts (JW)

#### Others:

HCC Cllr Edward Heron  
NFDC Cllr Diane Andrews

1 member of the public

#### 017.17 Apologies for Absence –

Apologies were received and accepted from Martin Vann and Kay Harrison

#### 018.17 Disclosures of interest.

There were no disclosures of interest.

#### 019.17 Minutes – to agree the minutes of 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 as a true record.

It was agreed that the main minutes of the meeting were a true record of the meeting held on 25 January 2017.

#### 020.17 Reports to be received

- i) County Cllr Edward Heron advised that HCC has increased its share of the council tax by 4.99%. The administration has pushed through a 3% increase to address adult social care funding pressures, plus a 1.99% general increase. The council is facing significant financial challenges because of demand pressures, inflation and grant reductions by Government - in Hampshire, these pressures have left Hampshire needing to close a funding gap of £98 million by April this year.
- ii) NFDC Cllr Diane Andrews explained to the meeting that the NFDC is going to be investing in commercial property for the purpose of income generation for provision of services, for the purpose of economic development or regeneration within the District or a mixture of both.
- iii) Councillors' reports.  
Jenny Watts - Works have started on the canopy outside of the Community Room.

Sally Day - A Fritham resident believed she has had some heating oil stolen – please can we put something in the Bramshaw Telegraph.

David Johnston – He had attended a meeting of Friends of Latchmore who of course are delighted that at this stage their campaign to protect this iconic New Forest stream has been successful. However, they are of the belief that the Forestry Commission still has its eyes set on doing some work at Ogdens.

Sue Bennison – asked the meeting if there as anything that Bramshaw Parrish Council wanted brought up at the Consultative Panel meeting to be held on Thursday (2 March).

- 021.17 **Public Forum:** An opportunity for the public to make known the council any issues of concern, or to make comment on items on the Agenda including Planning Applications.  
A resident of Bramshaw brought the meeting's attention to several points over the new access being applied for at Stocks Cross House including the safety aspect of the proposed entrance, that possibly the cattle grid as indicated on the drawings, was going to be situated on Forestry Commission land.

Two residents of Redlynch Parish who live along Forest Road in Nomansland, so the land outside of their front boundary is in Bramshaw Parish, raised their concerns over the newly installed dragons teeth and ditches along this stretch of road.

They were particularly concerned as the minutes from October 2016 indicate that Bramshaw Parish Council approved these works. Sally Day kindly clarified the situation in this regard – She advised the meeting that from the information the parish council had received across two meetings with the Forestry Commission, the councillors had agreed that their proposals to reinstate the dragons teeth and ditches along Forest Road in Nomansland were reasonable. Sally Day asked that the following be recorded: the Parish Council is unable to approve or disapprove decisions reached by the Forestry Commission.

The residents of Nomansland concerns include:

People and animal safety – the elderly and children are now 'driven' out into the road when walking along the road.

The ditches are not draining – water just sits in them.

Fire engine access.

Parking – no room in properties to park

Damage to car doors because as tracks now too narrow.

They concluded that they felt decisions were being made by people who do not understand the villages and the link between Landford and Nomansland.

- 022.17 **Planning –**

**Planning applications for comment:**

[16/01060](#) GREEN DRAGON, BROOK, SO43 7HE – Amended application.

Repair and Display of 2No. non-illuminated fascia signs; 1No. illuminated hanging sign; 1No. post mounted double sided illuminated sign (Application for Advertisement Consent). (01/03/2017).

[16/01059](#) GREEN DRAGON, BROOK, SO43 7HE – Listed Building Consent covering applications 16/01058, 01059 and 01060.

Internal alterations; 5 No. non-illuminated fascia signs etc - (Application for Listed Building Consent) (01/03/2017).

[16/01058](#) GREEN DRAGON, BROOK, SO43 7HE

New outbuilding; creation of 8No. additional parking spaces and associated landscaping; rear access ramp and steps. (01/03/2017).

Prior to the meeting, an email was received from the NPA Planning officers stating that the applicant on the above 3 applications had withdrawn part of the application relating to laying plastic mesh in the field to allow parking on a more regular basis.

The Council considered all 3 applications as one and resolved that they would be happy to accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.

[17/00021](#) MARICO HOUSE, BROOK HILL, BRAMSHAW, SO43 7JB.

Continued use of land as B1 office; Single storey extension to existing office building.(01/03/2017)  
The Parish Council resolved to recommend permission be granted because the proposed extension is unobtrusive and in keeping with the existing building.

Permission will allow the business to continue in Bramshaw which is important for local trade and employment opportunities.

The small intrusion in to the neighbouring agricultural land in the same ownership is insignificant. While mindful of the views expressed by the neighbour, it is not felt that the increased ridge height is significant and the creation of two small windows on the side of the office extension would not affect significantly his privacy.

It will also achieve the removal of the portacabin permanently.

[17/00070](#) STOCKS CROSS HOUSE, FURZLEY COMMON ROAD, BRAMSHAW, SO43 7JH

Creation of new access, closing up existing. Cattle Grid. (10/03/2017)

The Parish Council resolved to recommend that the above application be refused for the reasons listed below, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.

They are concerned over:

Safety aspects of a new access point at that location.

Tarmacking of the proposed access not being in keeping with character of the village.

Security may have been compromised because the property is currently unoccupied and has been an open building site for the period of all the refurbishment and redevelopment works.

ii) **Planning decisions to note:**

[16/00793](#) - Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for use of existing outbuilding as a single dwelling. ANNEXE, 2 ROSE COTTAGE, BROOK, LYNDHURST, SO43 7HF – The Application has been rejected.

iii) **Tree applications for comment:**

None at time of putting agenda together.

vi) **Tree application decisions.** –

v) **Enforcement as per NF NPA's website on 15/02/2017 and as per list published–**

No Enforcement notices in place in Bramshaw.

023.17 **Finance and policy**

i) Payments for authorisation – at Appendix 2.

Jane Mullan (Clerk) February 2017 -

Salary	£273.50
Home office monthly charge	£ 5.00
Mileage –	<u>£ 10.00</u>
Chq No 000788	£288.50
HALC (Training Course for Clerk) - Chq No 000789	£18.00
St Peters Parochial Parish Council- Chq No 000790	£250.00

- ii) Financial Report:
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| Expenditure to date | £5651.24  |
| Income to date      | £7120.00  |
| Bank Balance        | £10431.34 |
- iii) Annual review of Bramshaw Parish Council's Standing Orders and Financial Risk Assessment and Financial Regulations.

David Johnston wishes to make changes to these documents so it was decided that this item would be brought back to the March meeting.

**024.17 Co-option**

The parish council resolved to ask Mark Medley if he would consider becoming a parish councillor. Clerk to action.

**025.17 Recruitment –**

1. Adoption of Recruitment Policy and Guidance on Appointing The Clerk to the Council procedure. The council resolved to use this documents as guidelines in the process of appointing a new clerk.
2. Consideration and agreement on councillors to be on the interview panel. The council resolved that Sue Bennison, Sally Day and Jenny Watts should be on the panel.
3. Select and agree on time, date and location for interviews. It was agreed to hold the interviews in the committee room on 15 March 2017 starting at 7 pm at 30 minute intervals. Clerk to notify candidates.

**026.17 Consideration of correspondence received regarding Nomansland Verges.**

Following on from the discussion that occurred in the public forum on this topic the parish council agreed to write to Sean Marsh of the Forestry Commission expressing the residents' concerns. Sally Day to draft letter, clerk to send out.

**027.17 Setting of date, venue, format and speakers for the Annual Assembly 2017.**

The Annual Assembly will be held in the main hall if available, otherwise in the community room on 17 May 2017.

**028.17 Latest updates on:**

Traffic Calming.

Tobias not yet in a position to discuss any proposals/options with the Parish Council but he is aiming to present the draft options to the Parish Council as soon as he has had the opportunity to discuss the initial findings with the relevant HCC offices – he is anticipating this will be at the March meeting. Andrew Tollervey has been kept informed.

Lengthsman scheme – no new items been added to list this month.

**029.17 Consideration of items for next meeting.**

- Annual review of regulatory documents.
- Traffic Calming.
- Annual Assembly
- Lengthsman Scheme

**030.17 Confirmation of date of next 3 Parish Council meeting.**

28<sup>th</sup> March 2017, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017.

Meeting closed 9.30 pm.

Signed: ..... Dated: .....