



Bramshaw Parish Council New Forest Hampshire

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Bramshaw Parish Council held on Tuesday 23 March 2021 at 7:30pm Held by video conference *(in order to protect the health and safety of councillors and members of the public during the COVID-19 pandemic)*

Present:-

Councillors: Sally Day – Chair (SD), Jenny Watts (JW), Sue Bennison (SB), Martin Vann (MV), Kay Harrison (KH), Mark Medley (MM), Adam Coutts (AC), and Cllr Diane Andrews NFDC (DA)

Melanie Camilleri – Clerk/RFO (MC). No members of the public attended.

33/21 Apologies for Absence: None

34/21 Declarations of interest: None

35/21 Minutes: The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 23 February were approved

36/21 To receive a report from Councillor Edward Heron (Hampshire Council): did not attend due to other pressing work commitments

37/21 To receive a report from Councillor Diane Andrews (NFDC)

- Pound Bottom email received from National Park. The Breach of Condition Notice that Steve Avery referred to in previous emails has been prepared and is due to be issued tomorrow and failure to comply with the Notice is an immediate prosecutable offence. A copy of the Notice will be sent in due course for information.
- Cllr. Andrews attended the Hampshire Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee and reported that South Central Ambulance Service had trained 120 more staff to cope with the 30% raise in calls and the loss of staff due to Covid illness.
- There will be a new Clinical Commissioning Group which will incorporate six existing CCG's into Hampshire, Southampton and the Isle of Wight. This merger is supported by GP member practices. Portsmouth is a unitary trust and works closely with the new group and will join later next year. The experiences during the pandemic highlighted the benefits of closer joint working. The new CCG will start on 1st April 2021.
- The Hampshire Police and Crime Scrutiny panel met, and it was the last meeting for the present Commissioner Michael Lane as elections for a new Commissioner will be on 6th May. The precept for the OPCC was put up to £15.00 on a band D house for the coming year.
- Cllr. Andrews now sits on two new working groups, the Police Equality and Diversity Panel and Plan Working Group this really does help her understand more of the behind the scenes working of the police the findings of these two panels are fed back to the main panel for action.
- Safer New Forest met to discuss the priorities for the 2021/2022 years.
- It was decided that Children at risk, Drug and alcohol related harm, and Domestic abuse should be continued with the addition of Prevention of risk and exploitation

of vulnerable people. This topic will be headed by the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service who already work with the vulnerable in our community. This is a living document and may be amended over the course of the year to reflect ongoing work addressing the priorities.

- Other than this it is business as usual, elections are on 6th May, Cllr. Andrews reminded to take your own pen if you go to a polling station, wear your mask or better still ask for a postal vote, an easy form online to fill in or get a friend to download it for you fill it in and post to ATC.

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Public Forum

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Animal Death in the New Forest (B3078)

- i) SD reported that Godshill Parish Council has informally agreed to work jointly with BPC. Awaiting formal confirmation following their March PC meeting.
- ii) SD has identified 10 other PCs in the vicinity worth approaching with the view to working with BPC and GPC on this matter, potentially setting aside money in their budget to financially support the Feasibility Study. SD will draft a letter
- iii) Once all candidates for the Police and Crime Commissioner (copying in the Chief Constable) have been identified a letter will be issued urging them to support the cameras. SD will draft this letter and send to Godshill PC for consideration at their next PC Meeting

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Planning

- i) To consider planning applications and treeworks. See Appendix

Given SB is a member of the National Park Authority, and sits on the Planning Committee, SB did not take part in the discussion of any of the planning applications on the agenda and abstained from voting; forfeiting her vote.

21/00124: Greenbanks, Brook Hill, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JB

Proposal: 2no. extensions; open porch

Resolved unanimously: We recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers subject to resolution of the floor area not exceeding 30%, as per the Officer's Briefing Note.

- Improvement to the property
- In keeping with character of the area.

21/00184: Rooks Farm, Brook, Lyndhurst, SO43 7HD

Proposal: Change of use to holiday let

Resolved unanimously: We recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed below

- The application site falls outside any of the four defined villages and the general principle of new residential development would be contrary to Policy SP19.
- Insufficient evidence to make a case that the proposed holiday let would relate to a form of farm diversification under the re-use of buildings policy.
- Light pollution for neighbouring properties and the area's dark night sky.
- The proposals fail to conserve and enhance the unique character and environment of the New Forest National Park, and in particular the special qualities of its landscape, wildlife and cultural heritage

21/00008: Fountain Court, Brook Hill, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JB

Proposal: Creation of banking from de-silting the lake; formation of island within lake; bund; fence; adjustment of banks and levels surrounding the lake; access track; replacement boat jetty

It was noted this is a retrospective planning application.

Resolved unanimously: We recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.

- Improvement to visual aspect

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Pound Bottom

- i) To consider response from Steve Avery. No response from Steve, however, response from the Enforcement Officer Lucie Cooper

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Lengthsman

- i) SD has confirmed BPC will continue to participate in the Lengthsman Scheme for 2021/22. This was unanimously ratified by all councillors.
- ii) Work completed and invoices approved: Painting bridge railings, cleaning/painting Phone boxes at Bramshaw, Fritham, and Furzley.
- iii) New jobs:-
- One window pane Furzley box has a hole. Agreed to add its repair to the list
 - Bramshaw box has a 2inch hole in the corner of the 'Telephone' inscribed pane. Agreed to instruct Lengthsman to put something behind the broken pane so as to make the box weather-proof.
 - Lengthsman to install corkboards in each box (adjacent to the bookshelves). MC to produce poster regarding how the facility should be used and maintained (to affix to the corkboards).
 - Resolved unanimously to approve the quote from David Sherman (Town & Country Estates) - to instal additional white shelves (above the existing shelves) in all boxes. Cost: £90 per box.
 - The Lengthsman had reported a tree had come down and is balanced on the bridge railings. He's trimmed back branches but there is risk the tree will fall into the stream and block it. AC agreed to contact Philip Stride in Forestry England to address.
- iv) Balance funds 2020/21 £347.20 which will be transferred to 2021/22. New funds expected for 2021/22 £1,000.

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Finance and Cheques

- i) To approve the Cash Flow Report and payments

Bank balances

Current Account (as at 01 March 2021): £7,677.95

Business Reserve (as at 03 July 2020): £0.60

Payee	Detail	Amount £	Method
M Camilleri	Salary + office expenses	477.03	Standing Order
M Camilleri	Expenses printer cartridges (1/4 shared between PCs)	49.99	873
Total debit		£527.02	

- ii) Forecast end of year account 31 March 2021 was presented. There were no questions.

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Councillor's Reports

MV: LPs have been dropped-off into one empty phone box – now removed. Reinforces the need for a Poster on how the facility should be used and maintained.

MM: Attended the Cycling & Infrastructure Plan workshop looking at Cycle and Walking Routes across the Forest. The aim of the working group he joined focussed on encouraging people to walk/cycle to local businesses and places of work. Something not so relevant for Bramshaw residents. He'll continue to monitor outcomes, proposed strategies, and report back to BPC

KH: None

AC:

- Confirmed bramble clearance at Morgan Vale had been requested. Will report back at April meeting.
- Asked where the parish boundary was as he understood residents in New Road / Landford wanted to know what views BPC had on concerns about the number of Lodges and Shepherds Huts being erected at Green Hill Farm under Permitted Development Rights. Unanimously agreed BPC will contact NFNPA expressing concern about this matter and the detrimental impact increased volumes of visitors is having upon the New Forest (roads and the Open Forest). MV and SD to draft a letter for councillors' review. A copy to also be sent to Landford PC

JW: enquired about Oak Tree at Wych Green. SB will contact Sean Marsh to establish exact location of where he suggested we could see a similar situation and report back at April meeting.

SB:

- Also attended the Cycling & Infrastructure Plan workshop looking at Cycle and Walking Routes across the Forest. Data is being collected on walking routes and consider solutions which offer best value to move about without a car. She'll continue to monitor outcomes, proposed strategies, and report back to BPC.
- Pop-up campsites are on the increase under permitted development rights. These are unregulated and if they continue to occur within the New Forest, concern about the detrimental impact increased volumes of visitors – roads, nitrates/phosphates. She'll produce a short report for the April meeting
- Still has to contact parishioner about that the impeding hedge and fence running alongside the road from Stocks Cross towards Bramble Hill.

SD: None

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Correspondence/AOB/Urgent matters

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Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 April at 7:30pm by Video Conference: MC to prepare a poster advertising the event for the councillors' approval.

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Next Parish Council Meeting

The date of the next **Bramshaw Parish Council Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday 27 April 2021** at **7:30pm** by **Video Conference**.

Being no further business, SD closed the meeting at 9:20pm.

DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING