



# Bramshaw Parish Council

## New Forest Hampshire

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### Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Bramshaw Parish Council held on Tuesday 26 February 2019 at 7:30pm in the Community Room of Bramshaw Village Hall

Present: Councillors: Sally Day – Chair (SD), Sue Bennison (SB), Kay Harrison (KH), Martin Vann (MV), Mark Medley (MM), Cllr Diane Andrews (DA), Cllr Edward Heron (EH), Melanie Camilleri - Clerk (MC), and eleven members of the public.

**18/19**            **Apologies for Absence:** Jenny Watts

**19/19**            **Declarations of interest:** None

**20/19**            **Minutes**  
The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 22 January 2019 were approved and signed. There were no matters arising.

**21/19**            **Public Forum**

**22/19**            **Councillors' Reports**

**EH**

HCC has approved 2.99% increase in Precept. This is not in line with cost of inflation and the additional financial demands placed upon HCC.

**DA**

Gave an update on 'Night Stop' in light of the recent press article. To clarify, this service was stopped as the cost of £300+ per person, per night, was not viable. It also presented issues around the safeguarding of its volunteers.

**MV**

None

**SB**

She's attending the Consultative Panel next week. Councillors to let her know if there's anything they wish her to raise.

**KW**

None

**GS**

None

**SD**

None

**23/19**            **Hit and Runs**

**INSPECTOR KORINE BISHOP** provided an update on the increasing incidents across the New Forest. Key points covered:-

- This is not necessarily a speeding issue. If an animal is hit by a vehicle travelling at 30-40mph, the animal is likely to be killed.

**TIPS FOR DRIVERS**

1. SLOW DOWN

2. BE READY TO STOP

3. GIVE GRAZING ANIMALS A WIDE BERTH

4. TURN ON YOUR HAZZARD LIGHTS TO ALERT ONCOMING VEHICLES OF ANIMALS IN THE ROAD/ON THE VERGE

- Most incidents involve ponies.
- Horses, cattle, asses, mules, sheep, and pigs all come within the remit of the Road Traffic Act 1988, and members of the public **are required by law** to report such accidents to the police. **IF YOU'RE INVOLVED IN OR WITNESS AN ACCIDENT, CALL:-**

— Police: 999

— Verderers' Office (during normal working hours): 023 8028 2052

— Forestry Commission (24 hours): 0300 867 4600

- Inspector Bishop confirmed that the police remain committed to treating 'hit and run' incidents with the seriousness they deserve, and will take robust action with law enforcement when an offender has been identified.
- The police were unable to progress the recent hit-and-run incident reported by a member of the public as the owner of the animal (as the aggrieved party) indicated the animal was unharmed and didn't wish to press charges.
- Cllr EH: indicated that the sign on the B3709 recording animal fatalities had been taken down in error and would be re-instated shortly.

**24/19**

#### **Speedwatch**

- **PCSO RICHARD WILLIAMS** discussed launching a Speedwatch initiative across Bramshaw, Brook, Canterton, Dazel, Fritham, Furzley, and Penn.
- Kit already 1/3<sup>rd</sup> owned by Bramshaw PC (with Copythorne PC and Minstead PC).
- Min of four volunteers required (of which one will be the co-ordinator). Full training (which is straightforward) will be provided.
- Anyone wishing to get involved should get in touch with PCSO Richard Williams on 07554 775469.
- PCSO Richard Williams confirmed that he'd not tolerate any abuse directed towards the volunteers
- MV proposed to advertise for volunteers in the March Bramshaw Telegraph

**25/19**

#### **Planning**

##### **Treeworks: CONS/19/0115**

Observation date: 12/03/2019

Site: Branksome, Penn Common Road, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JL

Proposal: Fell 2x Ash trees and fell 4x Spruce trees

Parish Council Decision: No comment

##### **Treeworks: CONS/19/0093**

Observation date: 19/03/2019

Site: Land South of HOME FARM, BRAMSHAW, SO43 7JH

Proposal: Fell 7 x Ash trees Fell 5 x Silver Birch trees Fell 2 x Willow trees

Parish Council Decision: No comment

**26/19**

#### **Repairs and maintenance**

- i) Telephone Box door repair/clean plus Noticeboard paint/clean: MC reported quote from Lengthsman is £480 +VAT. This was unanimously approved.
- ii) Commemorative bench at Brook Green: Poor state of repair. Bench size non-standard size. This presents a potential obstacle as to how to remedy (given fixings to the ground). SB to obtain various quotes for 1) repair (if repairable), 2) replace with a be-spoke bench 3) modify a standard size bench for ground fixings.
- iii) Relocation of Noticeboard outside Village Shop: this was unanimously rejected.
- iv) New Forest Spring Clean 22 March – 23 April: Poster to be displayed and note to be added to April edition of the Bramshaw Telegraph

**27/19**

#### **Broadband**

MV reported that he, as part of the Broadband Group, will meet with the company Greenco to explore delivery of service via a dish

**28/19**

#### **Councillor Elections 2 May 2019**

- i) Instructions and timeline for Councillors for submitting their nominations was provided
- ii) Purdah period: NFDC has confirmed the council must continue to operate and undertake its duties during the Purdah Period. A guide on which contains information on what councillors can and can't do was provided.

**29/19**

#### **Bramshaw Telegraph**

- Publication was reviewed and unanimously agreed a success.
- In the spirit of access by the community for those who do not have access to a PC, it was agreed:-
- MC will provide a supply of paper copies in the village

- MC to add a note to future editions, encouraging people to print-off copies for their neighbours who don't have access to a PC
- 'Welcome' Packs to be reviewed at next PC meeting, to give new residents the opportunity to sign-up to the publication.
- Topic of adverts in the publication was considered. Unanimously agreed to not include for the present.

**30/19**

**Finance & Cheques**

- i) The Schedule of Accounts dated 19 February 2019 was agreed and authorised.

**Bank balances**

Main Account (as at 05.02.19): £11,234.32

**Main Account**

Payee	Detail	Amount £	Cheque No.
Bramshaw Trust	Community Room Hire	55.91	000838
M Camilleri	Salary - paid by Standing Order	425.93	Standing Order
Total debit		£481.84	

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

- ii) S137 expenditure limit 2019/20 £8.12 per electorate (££4,579.68 based upon 564 electorates)
- iii) Standing Order to adjust Clerk Salary to reflect new pay scales wef 1 April 2019 was approved and signed.

**31/19**

**Correspondence**

- Thank you letter from Royal British Legion for donation to Poppy Appeal
- Notification of temporary closure of Fritham Car Park (up to 3 weeks)
- Email from resident expressing new road layout a big improvement and speed reduction of vehicles noticeable. Made some points on speed limits. This is a matter for HCC and so MC to reply that they should write to HCC (Cllr EH – who had left the meeting at this stage). MC to also let them know about the launch of the Speedwatch initiative and how they can volunteer

**32/19**

**Date for Annual Assembly:** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May. MC to book the Community Room

**33/19**

**Date of next meeting**

Being no further business, SD closed the meeting at 9:30pm.

Agreed the next Bramshaw Parish Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 26 March 2019 at 7:30pm in the Community Room, Bramshaw Village Hall.**