



Bramshaw Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Bramshaw Parish Council held in the **Community Room, Bramshaw Village Hall** on **Tuesday 22nd April 2025 at 19:30.**

*All minutes are draft until ratified at the next meeting*

## MINUTES

Present: Cllr. Thomas (Chair)

Cllr. Bennison

Cllr. Harrison

Cllr. Coutts

In attendance: District Cllr. Derek Tipp  
Clerk, Diana O'Grady  
Mr. Gary Loveless  
2 members of the public

216/25 Apologies for Absence

- District Cllr. Joe Reilly
- Cllr. Medley
- Cllr. Osborne

217/25 Public Participation Period

- Members of the public attending had previously attended with regard to traffic on the B3079.
- The PC has in the past worked to reduce the speed limit to 30 mph and to have 'pinch points' installed on the road for the purpose of traffic calming.
- Cllr. Thomas explained that the police have repeatedly stated that they will not use data collected by speeding detection devices operated by members of the public. He also explained that the stretch of road in question doesn't fit published criteria for further traffic calming measures.
- Cllr Bennison undertook to recontact Cllr Edward Heron at Hampshire County Council for information regarding the possibility of using HCC traffic monitoring equipment.
- Cllr. Thomas has costed a vehicle activated speed display board and the cost would be prohibitive.

218/25 Declaration of Interests and dispensation requests

- None declared.

219/25 To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025

- Agreed by all who were present. Signed and dated by Cllr Thomas.

## Reports

220/25 Reports from County / District Councillors

- Cllr. Tipp reported that has a grant of £250 per parish for donations.
- He also mentioned the CIL funding and the UK Rural England prosperity fund.
- NFDC lottery funding will be starting very soon.
- No conclusions yet reached on which Councils will be merging in the Local Govt. Reorganisation.

- Cllr. Thomas asked about highway maintenance and flooding. Suggestion of contacting the MP for Bramshaw, Julian Lewis.

#### **Items ongoing**

- 221/25 Traffic Calming
- Discussion is noted under 217/25
- 222/25 Village flooding
- Nothing has been heard back following the letters sent to Tim Lawton and to Cllr. Bowerman despite a reminder. Clerk to forward letters previously sent to Cllr Bowerman on to Cllr Tipp and Cllr Reilly.
- 223/25 Noticeboards
- Two noticeboards at Fritham, one for PC, the other for Community use have been repaired and installed.
- 224/25 Hedges around the village
- Max Hadley hasn't cut his hedge and Cllr. Coutts believes emergency vehicles wouldn't be able to access other properties along Vice Lane.
  - Clerk to write letters to Ryan's Cottage owner and to Max Hadley.
  - Cllr. Bennison will try to find the name and address for ground maintenance at the Warrens estate.
  - The Golf Course cut their hedge back in good time.
- 225/25 Recruitment of new Councillors
- Mr. Loveless was present at the meeting to understand what would be involved. Someone from Fritham on the Council would be good too.
- 226/25 Planning the APM and AGM
- Clerk to send poster to Cllr. Thomas who will put posters on noticeboards. Cllr Thomas will buy tea and biscuits.

#### **New items**

- 227/25 Review of Bramshaw Parish Council Standing Orders
- Clerk to draft new Standing Orders for approval by the Council.
- 228/25 Other reports from Parish Representatives
- Cllr. Harrison has been appointed to the Court of Verderers. Congratulations were offered by the Bramshaw Parish Councillors.
  - Cllr. Coutts proposed a gift as a token of recognition for Cllr. Vann's services.
  - Cllr. Bennison had been approached on separate building/planning matters by two Fritham residents. After discussion amongst councillors it was decided that the BPC should not take this up and the residents themselves should follow the National Park Authority's complaints and reporting process as set out on their website.

#### **229/25 Planning**

##### **New Applications**

**25/00346FULL** ARMIDALE, ROAD THROUGH FRITHAM, FRITHAM, LYNDHURST, SO43 7HJ  
Replacement conservatory

**Decision: 1** 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.

**Comments:** Neighbouring properties have been granted permissions for the same development. As the conservatory will become habitable living space, the Council would like a condition attached including the space in the calculations should any further development plans arise.

**25/00389CONS**      The New House, MERRY ORCHARD, BRAMSHAW, LYNDHURST, SO43 7JG  
Fell 1 x Spruce tree  
**Comments: No Comments**

- Invoices circulated electronically
  - HALC annual membership and levy
- Payments for authorisation
  - HALC annual membership and levy £366
    - Approved Cllr. Thomas, seconded Cllr. Bennison. Clerk to inform Cllr. Medley.
- Bank reconciliation and approval Q4
  - Agreed by all present, witnessed by Cllr. Thomas

	Statement	Bank Balance (Statement)	Accounts Balance	Difference					
Q4	2025.03.31	11,683.46	11,683.46	0.00					
Reconciliation Witnessed	Printed Name					Date			

231/25      Future Meeting

The next meeting of Bramshaw Parish Council will be the Annual Parish Assembly, the Annual General Meeting and the Ordinary Parish Council meeting.

These will be held on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May** 2025 at 19:00, in the Main Hall of Bramshaw Village Hall

Meeting closed at 21:27