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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
AT THE NEXT MEETING ON 28th JANUARY 2013**

**A MEETING OF BRAMSHOTT & LIPHOOK PARISH COUNCIL
TOOK PLACE AT 8.00PM IN THE PEAK CENTRE, MIDHURST
ROAD, LIPHOOK ON TUESDAY 18th DECEMBER 2012**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Cllr M Croucher
Cllr B Easton (Chairman)
Cllr D Hoskins
Cllr J Ives
Cllr D Jerrard
Cllr P Jordan
Cllr J Kirby
Cllr T Maroney
Cllr J Poole
Cllr P Robinson
Cllr E Trotter

197/12 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr Easton made announcements covering the recording of the meeting for minute taking, location of fire exits and toilets.

198/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr R Evans.

199/12 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

The Chairman read out the declaration covering disclosable pecuniary interest.
None were declared.

200/12 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th November 2012.

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Poole. Unanimously Approved

201/12 MATTERS ARISING

Minute 193/12 – Roadwork's in Liphook

The Chairman reported that she had attended a meeting with Hampshire Highways and confirmed that there will be major highways improvements in the Square and associated roads. It had been agreed that to minimise disruption, the works will be carried out in the school summer holidays 2013 with work in the square restricted to weekends. It was confirmed that the works would be after the Liphook in Bloom judging and Cllr Jordan will advise the clerk of the relevant dates. The Headley road would not have any works. It was planned that the County Council will write to interested parties, including local businesses to alert them to the works. Full notices will be provided once the dates are finalised.

202/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Meeting Adjourned

Public Questions – Not on the Agenda

Mr Burns expressed his thanks to all the Parish office staff for their help with the very successful carol service and to the Councillors for allowing the service to happen. Councillors thanked Mr Burns for organising the event.

It was reported that a reasonable amount of funds had been raised and a sum of £350 would be donated towards Christmas lights via Liphook in Bloom. Cllr Jordan reported that LIB will be looking to replace the Christmas lights and once estimates were available, would contact those interested in providing some financial support. Before this, anyone interested could pledge money.

Mr Young thanked everyone for their support to Age Concern over the previous year.

Public Question – On Agenda

A member of the public asked about the outcome of the interviews for a new Parish Clerk. The Chairman stated that the matter was being discussed as a later committee item in the excluded session and then a press statement would be issued. Those present at the meeting were invited to attend a social event after the meeting at which point the decision would be known.

Meeting Re-convened

203/12 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Ferris Cowper

No report was considered this month

District Councillors

A report produced by Cllr Angela Glass was circulated to the Committee (copy in minute book). It was noted that following a two week Inspection of the Joint Core Strategy between the EHDC and South Downs National park, the inspector found that the proposal did not meet the criteria that now applies to the area. As a consequence, some intense planning and review will take place over the coming months so that the Joint Core Strategy can be resubmitted for approval, possible in the Summer 2013.

204/12 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE F&P COMMITTEE

The schedule of accounts for November 2012 was considered. Councillors were asked to contact the Locum Clerk if they have any questions about the figures. Cllr Maroney queried the format of the report and would contact the locum clerk to discuss this.

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Hoskins. Unanimously Approved.

205/12 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2012.

Minute 125/12 – It was noted that the letter to EHDC concerning the felled Oak Tree at Bohunt Manor had been sent.

Minute 129/12 – The planning appeal regarding 34 Station Road was held on 5th December 2013 and had been attended by 5 Parish Councillors who had represented the Councils views very well.

Minutes Proposed Cllr Robinson, Seconded Cllr Poole, unanimously approved.

Minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2012

These were not yet available and no comments were made.

Finance & Policy Committee

Draft Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2012

Minute 102/12 – It was reported that an extraordinary meeting will be called once the position on the budget was clarified by EHDC and the Parish can then finalise its budget and precept for 2013/14.

Minutes Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Jordan, unanimously accepted.

LMC Management Committee

Draft Minutes of the meeting held on 6th December 2012

New Councillors were asked to contact Cllr Hoskins if they need clarification on any matters in the minutes.

206/12 REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

It was reported that Cllr Croucher and Cllr Jerrard had met with the police to consider a number of issues. It was also stated that the Council will be looking to

recover its legal and HR costs following the recent investigations from Solicitors, Internal Auditors or Insurance.

The Council had received two requests under the Freedom of Information. The proposed responses were circulated to Councillors for information.

Cllr Jerrard reported that once the legal process has concluded, the Council will make a public statement on the matter.

207/12 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

CAB – Cllr Croucher reported that the CAB has recently appointed a new CEO covering East Hants and Havant.

208/12 MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

Following the appointment of co-opted Councillors the membership of committees and groups was considered and the following resignations and appointments agreed:

Planning Committee

Cllr Easton – Resigned

Cllr Kirby – Appointed

Cllr Maroney – Appointed

Recreation Committee

Cllr Trotter – Appointed

Cllr Ives – Appointed

Cllr Kirby – Appointed

Liphook Millennium Centre

Cllr Jerrard - Resigned

Cllr Ives - Appointed

Other Appointments

Peak Centre Trust

Cllr Trotter – Appointed

Liphook Community Magazine

Cllr Jordan – Appointed

Parish Transport

Cllr Easton already covers

Cllr Jordan will also assist

Liphook Youth management Committee

Cllr Ives – Appointed

Youth Facilities Working Party

Cllr Maroney – Appointed

Website Working party
Disbanded

Conford Village Hall
Cllr Hoskins – Appointed

Community Forum
Cllr Poole attends
Cllr Croucher will also assist

Community First East Hants
Cllr Jerrard – Resigned
Cllr Maroney - Appointed

Bramshott Educational Trust
Cllr Hoskins – Resigned
Cllr Maroney Appointed

209/12 ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING PARTY FOR RADFORD PARK

The Motion

“This council resolves to establish a working party consisting of members of the Recreation Committee and co-optees drawn from the Ground Staff and organisations with special skills to identify a programme to address the deterioration of the Radford Park amenity and further the aims outlined in appendix 7 of the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting of 5th November 2012”.

Cllr Robinson advised that it was planned to get other organisations such as the Wey Valley Trust, EHDC, Hampshire & IOW Wildlife, & Bohunt School involved in the work. Cllr Jordan spoke in support of the motion suggesting that work was urgently needed at the park. The group would report to the Recreation Committee and would need to appoint a chairman. Cllr Robinson would write to any interested parties to seek their involvement.

Proposed Cllr Robinson, Seconded Cllr Croucher, Unanimously approved.

210/12 DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR RADFORD PARK

The Motion

“This Council resolves to apply for £7,500 from Developer's Contributions For Open Spaces to fund construction of a long set of steps from Locke Road into the Park, repair and make safe two small bridges, repair and improve pathways to enable greater access for disabled users, repair and make secure the works unit and repair fencing”.

Cllr Robinson introduced this motion and advised that the proposal had changed slightly. It was unanimously approved that an amended motion be considered.

The amended motion:-

“This Council resolves to apply for £7,500 from Developers Contribution for Open Spaces for the improvement of Radford Park. To fund construction of two sets of steps in Radford Park: one from Lock Road into the Park and the other on the north side between the two walk levels. To erect a small bridge over a permanent wet area caused by spring water and make it and two others safe by the instalment of hand rails. Finally where required improve the pathways to enable greater access for disabled users.”

It was noted that two sets of steps were to be installed. Cllr Croucher advised that a line should be included in the budget otherwise the bid was unlikely to be successful. A possible figure of £3,500 was suggested, but it was for the Recreation Committee to decide as part of its budget deliberations.

Proposed Cllr Robinson, Seconded Cllr Jordan, unanimously approved.

211/12 EXCLUSION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Motion: “In accordance with the provisions of section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the press and public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted”

Proposed Cllr Easton, Seconded Cllr Hoskins Unanimously Approved.