



# BRAMSHOTT & LIPHOOK PARISH COUNCIL

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**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL  
AT THE NEXT MEETING ON 24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2012**

**A MEETING OF BRAMSHOTT & LIPHOOK PARISH COUNCIL  
TOOK PLACE AT 8.00PM IN THE PEAK CENTRE, MIDHURST  
ROAD, LIPHOOK ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2012**

## MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Cllr B Easton (Chairman), Cllr M Croucher, Cllr D Jerrard, Cllr B Mouland, Cllr R Evans, Cllr P Robinson, Cllr E Hope, Cllr P Jordan, Cllr J Tough Cllr A James, Cllr D Hoskins

Twelve members of the public and one member of the press were in attendance.

### **126/12 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Cllr Easton stated that there was a planning item and asked how many members of the public were present specifically for that item. One member of the public indicated that she was there for that item.

### **127/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology was received from Cllr J Poole.

### **128/12 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

The Chairman read out the new disclosure of interests under the adopted code of practice.

### **129/12 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2012.

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Jordan. Unanimously approved

## **130/12 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

## **131/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

### **Public Questions**

Mr Young asked why the Parish Council always had excluded sessions when many other Councils do not. He also asked why the public meeting was restricted to one hour in July. The chairman explained that the council wants to be open but there are certain items that must be held in private where they relate to staff or are commercially sensitive. It was stated that the public part of the meeting was 1.5 hours in July.

Mrs Kirkpatrick raised concerns about speeding traffic and it was agreed she would provide details to Cllr Cowper who would look into the matter on her behalf.

Mr Hall asked whether it would be possible to have a regular Parish Councillors newsletter in addition to those provided by the County Councillor and the District Councillors. The Chairman stated the Council will consider the request.

### **Councillors Personal Interests**

Cllr Hope item 132/12 on the planning applications as she lives next door to the development

Cllr James item 132/12 on the planning application as she was a district Councillor and was involved in the previous application and public enquiry

### **No Public Question - Meeting Re-convened**

### **Meeting adjourned for a Planning Meeting Chaired by Cllr Jerrard**

## **132/12 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Cllr Jordan led on the application. He gave some background to the development outlining the various applications made since 2006 which included combinations of houses, apartments, nursing home, affordable housing business units and community facilities such as shops and health centre.

The current application was for 67 dwellings, 43 private and 24 affordable, a care facility and an area for station parking. The private dwellings were a mixture of 3-5 bedded houses and several 2 bed flats. Maximum height will be 3 stories. The affordable dwellings are 2-3 bedded houses and 1-2 bedded flats.

### **Planning Meeting adjourned**

Mrs Wilson from 6 Quebec Close spoke in support of the application. She felt that Liphook did not need more business units and the area did need some sort of development to tidy it up.

Cllrs Mouland, Cllr Hope, Cllr James and Cllr Hoskins were invited to express their views on the application. Cllr Hope stated that many of the residents were in favour

of the development and wanted to see something done with the site. Cllr James advised that there was a design standard that meant combinations of shops/industrial units with houses above could be built to look smart. Cllr Hoskins felt the parking problem would not be solved by the current proposals.

### **Planning Meeting Reconvened**

Members of the planning committee were given an opportunity to express their individual views. There were views expressed over the numbers of houses and the mix of houses and other facilities such as the need for more shops, warehouse facilities or high quality office space with living space above. There were also views about how much the site should be able to provide employment opportunities and also whether the site should be developed now accepting more housing or defer until a better mixture was proposed. It was recognised that any developer would need to have a mix that provided a reasonable return on investment.

Cllr Jordan summed-up the balance of comments and proposed the following statement in response to the planning application which was approved by members of the planning committee.

### **Decision of the Council**

The Parish Council objects to the proposed development as it fails to include alongside private & affordable dwellings, space for employment creating investment such as business units or commercial facilities, for example a medical centre.

The Parish Council wishes to see the area developed but consider that a balanced development would better serve community requirements and developers objectives.

### **Meeting reconvened**

## **133/12 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

### **Cllr Ferris Cowper**

A report was tabled for August 2012 (copy in minute book). This report is available on the Parish Council website. Cllr Cowper ran through his report, highlighting a number of highways and other related issues that he was working on.

### **District Councillors**

A report was tabled from Cllr Glass from all three District Councillors (copy in minute book).

## **134/12 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR AT THE LITTLE REC**

Cllr Robinson gave an update to his report attached to the agenda. There had been further examples of anti-social behaviour however the level of problem in the area was small compared to some of its neighbours so Police resources were mostly targeted at other areas. The problems now included criminal damage where benches had been stolen from the Bowling club and windows broken at the Millennium Centre. Cllr Robinson was working with the community Police to find solutions. One option was the siting of a police camera in the area.

It was agreed that Cllr Robinson come back to the next meeting with a motion for the Council to consider. It was also agreed that the police be invited to the next meeting to discuss a way forward.

**135/12 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE F&P COMMITTEE**

The schedule of accounts for June 2012 was considered. Councillors were asked to contact the Locum Clerk if they have any questions about the figures.

Vote 10 in favour, Cllr James abstained. Approved.

It was proposed that Direct Debits be used to pay for all utility bills as allowed in the Standing orders 6.6. This was approved unanimously.

Cllr Hope left the Meeting

**136/12 ANNUAL RETURN 31 MARCH 2012**

The Annual return for 2011/12 Financial Year was considered.

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Jerrard .Vote 9 in favour, Cllr James Abstained. Annual return approved.

**137/12 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The following minutes were adopted.

LMC Management Committee

Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012 - unanimously agreed

Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2012 – unanimously agreed

Cllr Hoskins stated that the August meeting was to cover business not completed at the July meeting and that a number of working parties had been established to progress some key areas.

Planning Committee

Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> June 2012

Meeting 16 July 2012

Both meetings unanimously approved.

Cllr Hope Re-joined meeting

**138/12 DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS**

Play Park Project

It was noted that developer contributions were available to complete phase 2 of the play park and that the Recreation Committee were managing this project. It was proposed to proceed with this project.

Proposed Cllr Jordan, Seconded Cllr Croucher. Vote 10 in favour, Cllr James abstained. Proposal approved

Redevelopment of the Skate Park

It was felt that work was needed to develop a proposal for the Council to consider. It was decided that a working party be established to consider this. Membership

would include Cllr Tough, Cllr Jordan, Cllr Croucher and Mr Young who had already done some preliminary work. The Locum Clerk to arrange the first meeting.

### **139/12 REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES**

#### Accounts and Annual Return Working party

Cllr Jerrard explained that now the minutes of the excluded session from the July meeting were approved, they were available for public and press and copies were circulated. These minutes show that two motions were approved. The first agreed the appointment of a disciplinary officer to conduct a disciplinary meeting. The second agreed to request that Hampshire Constabulary carry out an investigation into matters brought to light by the working party.

#### Bohunt Manor Working party

Cllr Jordan read out the notes of a meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> August involving Cllr Jerrard, Cllr Jordan & Cllr Mouland (copy in minute book). The group agreed to set up a meeting with planning officers of EHDC/SDNP and to meet with representatives from Liphook United FC. The aim of the group is to consider the possibilities for development of the Bohunt Manor site and establish consultation with interested parties.

### **140/12 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

The were no reports

### **141/12 REGISTER OF INTERESTS**

The Chairman stated that a considerable number of councillors were still to complete their declaration of Interests form which was now overdue. It was suggested that the Chairman prepares a motion concerning the disclosure of personal as well as prejudicial interests for consideration at the next meeting.

### **142/12 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 Croucher Unanimously Approved.**

Cllr James left the meeting