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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
AT THE NEXT MEETING ON 29th OCTOBER 2012**

**A MEETING OF BRAMSHOTT & LIPHOOK PARISH COUNCIL
TOOK PLACE AT 8.00PM IN THE PEAK CENTRE, MIDHURST
ROAD, LIPHOOK ON MONDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2012**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Cllr B Easton (Chairman)
Cllr M Croucher
Cllr D Jerrard
Cllr R Evans
Cllr P Robinson
Cllr E Hope
Cllr P Jordan
Cllr J Tough
Cllr A James
Cllr D Hoskins
Cllr J Poole

146/12 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 the Planning meeting had over-run and there was a need for a continuation of the Planning Meeting within the Council Meeting.

Vote 10 in favour, 1 against.

Meeting adjourned for a Planning Meeting Chaired by Cllr Jerrard

A Planning Committee meeting was held (see separate minutes)

Meeting reconvened

147/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology was received from Cllr Mouland.

148/12 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

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

149/12 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th August 2012.

Proposed Cllr Easton, Seconded Cllr Hoskins. Unanimously Approved

150/12 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

151/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Meeting Adjourned

Public Questions

The problem of parking at the junction of Headley Road and Tower Road was raised. This was making the approach to the village both difficult and dangerous. It was felt that parking at the junction should not be allowed and should be reported to enforcement officers. This was supported by Cllr Robinson. The area was becoming satellite parking for the infant and junior schools. It was felt the area would benefit from having double yellow lines. It was agreed that a letter would be sent request double yellow lines and to Parking Enforcement to ensure the area was monitoring for illegal parking. It was suggested that Haslebank Close and the Avenue should also be included.

A question was raised about the sums of money spent on legal advice reported in the press mainly on the suspended clerk and when this matter will come to a head. Cllr Jerrard explained that this will be covered in item 161/12.

A question was asked about support available from EHDC concerning planning. Cllr Jerrard explained that he had viewed the file and had some concerns about some comment being missing. The application had been processed through officer under delegated powers and not by the Planning Committee. It was felt that this should have been referred to the committee. There was still some uncertainty about the procedural issues.

Public Question – On Agenda

None

Meeting Re-convened

152/12 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Ferris Cowper

A report from Ferris Cowper was considered. It was noted that much of the remedial work to road surfaces under operation resilience had been completed but a few areas still required action. (copy in minute book)

District Councillors

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

153/12 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE F&P COMMITTEE

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

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Easton. Unanimously Approved.

154/12 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The following minutes were accepted.

LMC Management Committee

Councillor Hoskins gave an update on the work of the committee including storage charges, security and roof leaks.

Minutes of meeting 13th September 2012

Proposed Cllr Hoskins, Seconded Cllr Croucher Unanimously Accepted.

Planning Committee

It was noted that there had been a meeting on 17th Septemeber but minutes of that meeting are not yet available.

Finance & Policy Committee

Minutes of meeting held on 10th September 2012

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Hoskins, unanimously accepted.

It was noted that under item 74/12, the committee agreed to make a £50 donation to Bohunt School to mark the achievements of Olivia Breen. This was supported by the full council who wished to express their congratulations.

Recreation Committee

Cllr Jordan reported that the minutes were currently draft and outlined work covering a presentation from the tennis club, the skate park, Allotment rents and the Play Park.

Minutes of meeting held on 30th August 2012

Proposed Cllr Jordan, Seconded Cllr Croucher, Unanimously accepted

155/12 REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

Skate Park Working party

It was reported that the first meeting was held to set objectives and a strategy. The groups view is that young people should be involved in the process. Cllr Tough will facilitate this.

156/12 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Sgt Brommell gave a presentation covering the work of his team in the local community which involved dealing with persistent community problems. There were bi-monthly meetings with relevant parties to discuss issues. The team priorities were Speeding and traffic problems and anti-social behaviour in the Little Rec. Sgt Brommell was able to report crime down in every category except non dwelling burglary.

157/12 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR AT THE LITTLE REC

The motion “This council resolves that in view of the dilapidated condition of the shelter in the “Little Rec”, and its continued use by anti-social elements, it should be removed and another shelter be erected as and when an alternative skate park is constructed”.

Cllr Robinson explained the background to the problem in this area. Regular contact was being made with the police and there was now frequent surveillance in the area. Problems include drinking, criminal damage and fire damage. The police have recommended that the shelter be removed from the site. It has been vandalised and is scattered with bottles and broken glass. Young children do not use the area as they are intimidated by the older teenagers.

Cllr James reminded Councillors and members of the public, that the shelter was originally installed on the recommendation of the police. Sgt Brommell stated that Police thinking had since changed and felt the shelter should now be removed.

Cllr Jordan Proposed a slight amendment to the motion which Cllr Robinson was happy to accept.

Revised motion “This council resolves that in view of the dilapidated condition of the shelter in the “Little Rec”, and its continued use by anti-social elements, it should be removed and another shelter be considered for erected as and when an alternative skate park is constructed”.

Proposed Cllr Robinson, Seconded Cllr Jordan. Motion Unanimously Approved.

158/12 REPORTING OF THE INVESTIGATION

The Motion “That this Council should make a complaint to the Press Complaints Commission about the inaccurate and misleading reporting by the Liphook Herald of the investigations which have been carried out by or on behalf of the Council”.

Cllr Jerrard introduced the item and circulated a paper explaining the background to the issue (copy in minute book). This gave some background to the investigation and some of the problems in the reporting of this information. Councillors consider these issues. If approved, there would need to be some thought about what went into the complaint.

Motion Proposed Cllr Jerrard, Seconded Cllr Croucher, Vote 8 in favour, 3 Against (Cllr James, Cllr Tough, Cllr Hope). Motion approved.

159/12 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