



# BRAMSHOTT & LIPHOOK PARISH COUNCIL

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## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL  
AT THE NEXT MEETING ON 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**

**A MEETING OF BRAMSHOTT & LIPHOOK PARISH COUNCIL  
TOOK PLACE AT 7.30 PM IN THE PEAK CENTRE, MIDHURST  
ROAD, LIPHOOK ON MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2014**

### MINUTES

#### PRESENT:

Cllr Croucher - Chairman  
Cllr B Easton  
Cllr J Ives  
Cllr Jerrard  
Cllr Jordan  
Cllr J Kirby  
Cllr J Poole  
Cllr P Robinson  
Cllr E Trotter  
Mr P Stanley – Executive Officer

Sixty Eight members of the public and the press were also in attendance.

#### **128/14 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The chairman reminded those present of the fire exits.  
The chairman on behalf of the council, offered congratulations to the carnival & Bonfire committee. Cllr Cowper had also written to express his congratulations. It was noted that the River Wey Trust was holding its AGM on 12 November 2014.

#### **129/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr R Evans, Cllr D Hoskins, Cllr T Maroney.

**130/14 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

No disclosable pecuniary interest were declared.

**131/14 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meetings held on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014 and extraordinary meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2014.

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Jordan, unanimously approved.

**132/14 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were not matters arising.

**133/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

**Meeting Adjourned**

**Public Questions – Not on the Agenda**

A large number of members of the public had attended to discuss the Willows Nursery and Beacon Building issue. The chairman reminded those present of the time limit for public questions.

Mr Finlayson was in attendance as the representative of the Willows Nursery School. He outlined the background to the nursery school. It had been on the site since January 2001 and over 14 years had paid £64,000 in fees to the council. There was concern over the lack of consultation and the notification by letter on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2014. This has led to a difficulty in finding alternative accommodation. He then raised a number of questions. Was the course of action reasonable?, why was there no consultation before the letter?, Being told the decision is final?. An extension to the end date was requested or a withdrawal of the decision. There was also a wish to enter discussions with the council to consider the possible option to keep the building open.

Cllr Robinson was invited to respond on behalf of the council as the Chairman of the Recreation Committee. The decision had been taken by the Recreation Committee following a consideration of the surveyors report on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2014. The committee had felt that the building would increasingly become a health & safety risk. There was uncertainty over future costs and it was felt that the building was beyond economic repair. Cllr Robinson stated that the decision had not been taken lightly and the council were working with the nursery school management to explore other possible sites or options. Two meetings had already taken place and it was agreed that a further meeting will be held with the nursery management to include Mr Finlayson.

District Cllr Glass stated that the heritage of the hut should be investigated. John Townsend, the council's historic buildings officer had been asked to inspect the building. It had been suggested that the building may be a former Canadian Army hut.

A number of members of the public spoke in support of the nursery school, the need for continued nursery provision in the area, the impact on jobs and local people, and a willingness to help support the nursery school financially to ensure it remained open. It was also felt that the building should at least be available to the nursery school until the end of the current academic year.

The chairman stated that the discussion with the nursery management will be ongoing and thanked members of the public for attending the meeting and making their views known to the council. He then provided them with an opportunity to stay for the remaining agenda items or leave the meeting. The majority of the public left the meeting at this stage.

### **Public Questions – On the Agenda**

None

Meeting Reconvened.

### **134/14 REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Glass circulated and ran through the report of the Parish District Councillors.

Councillor Recruitment – the council has embarked on a drive to find new councillors with elections due next year.

New Ventures – A team had been established. Staff have identified over 200 business ideas which are being processed.

The Willows Nursery – Cllrs Glass & Moulard had visited the nursery and have pledged that EHDC will do all it can to keep the current site or find suitable alternative accommodation. A Cabinet grant of £5,000 is technically available and the Communities team is waiting to help.

SDNPA – A meeting is being held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November with representative from SDNPA, Parish and District Councillors. Neighbourhood Plan will also be discussed.

Planning – A meeting will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> October during which the council will be deciding which SHLAA sites are included in the Draft Allocations Plan.

Buses – Reduced services on the 250 and 13 service routes had been announced by Hampshire County Council.

### **135/14 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

#### **Planning Committee**

Cllr Kirby reported back on the work of the Planning Committee.

The minutes of meetings held on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2014 and 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2014 were unanimously approved.

### **Recreation**

Cllr Robinson ran through the issues being managed by the committee. The main debate had been concerning sports provision in the area and a number of representatives had been present at the meeting.

The minutes of a meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2014 were unanimously approved.

### **Liphook Millennium Centre Management Committee**

Cllr Ives advised the committee that the Property & Grounds manager had provided a list of outstanding works required.

The minutes of a meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014 were unanimously approved.

### **136/14 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE F & P COMMITTEE**

The Schedule of Accounts for August 2014 was noted (copy in minute book as attachment 1). Cllr Jordan advised the council that he had audited the accounts and found them to be in good order. It was noted that the balances held by the bank were as follows:

#### **August 2014**

##### **Cleared balances at the bank**

Business Account	1,000.00
30 Day Account	238,525.56
Total held by the council end July 2014	239,525.56
Less un-presented cheque	2,392.38
Cashbook Balance	237,133.18

### **137/14 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PRESS STATEMENT**

Cllr Kirby ran through the draft statement and explained the content. Cllr Jordan had some comments on the emphasis of the statement and this had been taken on board by the additional of an additional paragraph. It was agreed that the statement should not be published until after the meeting scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> November so that any other useful points could be included. The final draft will be circulated to all councillors before publication should there be any further changes to the statement following the meeting.

### **138/14 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

#### **Parish Plan**

A following statement was read out on behalf of Cllr Maroney.

“As you will have seen, from the front page of last week’s Liphook Herald, the Bramshott & Liphook Parish Plan Steering Group are holding a public exhibition of the Plan on Friday and Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014 from 10 am to 4 pm. The exhibition, costing in excess of £1,500, will be the culmination of 4 years of hard work by a dedicated team of volunteers working on behalf of the whole community. A team which is independent of the Parish Council and, despite the

implications to the contrary in the press, has neither involvement in nor responsibility for neighbourhood planning”.

Liphook Community Magazine

Cllr Jordan reported that he had attended the AGM for the community magazine. The group had not applied for any Parish grant and had made a surplus of £1,200 in the year. The council had not used its space this year and should look to contribute to future editions.

**139/14 FLETCHERS FIELD PATH**

The committee considered the proposed path at Fletchers Field. Funding had been obtained from Help the Aged and from s.106 Developer Contributions. Three quotations had been received for the work.

It was unanimously agreed that the contract for the work be awarded to Haynes Builders Ltd for the amount of £3,360.

The Executive Officer will write to the three companies notifying them of the outcome.

Meeting closed 8.50 pm

Chairman:

Date: