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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL
AT THE NEXT MEETING ON 26th JANUARY 2015**

**A MEETING OF BRAMSHOTT & LIPHOOK PARISH COUNCIL
TOOK PLACE AT 7.30 PM IN THE PEAK CENTRE, MIDHURST
ROAD, LIPHOOK ON TUESDAY 16th DECEMBER 2014**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Cllr Croucher - Chairman
Cllr B Easton
Cllr Jordan
Cllr J Kirby
Cllr T Maroney
Cllr J Poole
Cllr E Trotter
Mr P Stanley – Executive Officer

Seven members of the public and the press were also in attendance.

159/14 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The chairman reminded those present of the fire exits.

160/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr R Evans, Cllr D Hoskins, Cllr J Ives, Cllr D Jerrard, Cllr P Robinson.

161/14 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

No disclosable pecuniary interest were declared.

162/14 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 24th November 2014. One amendment to minute 147/14. Exclude Cllr Jerrard's name from the working party membership.

Proposed Cllr Croucher, Seconded Cllr Robinson, unanimously approved.

163/14 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were not matters arising.

164/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Meeting Adjourned

Public Questions – Not on the Agenda

A member of the public asked why the extraordinary meeting of the Liphook Millennium Centre Management Committee was being held at 10 am on 17th December when the usual start time is 7.30 pm which makes attendance for some people difficult. Cllr Ives who chairs the meeting was not present and the chairman would provide a written response.

A member of the public asked why the Willows Nursery had not been granted an extension to the end of the academic year. Cllr Croucher stated that the council was in discussion with the managers of the nursery and it was hoped to find a long term solution before the new extension expires. It was confirmed by Cllr Jordan that the structural survey was now on the council website for members of the public to view.

Public Questions – On the Agenda

A member of the public asked about the Neighbourhood Plan working party requesting information on membership, terms of reference and what had been achieved. Cllr Croucher agreed to provide a written response.

A member of the public asked for clarity about the Neighbourhood plan in terms of what the benefits would be for the community and how it would sit within the planning framework.

Mr Cameron asked about the intension of the Neighbourhood Plan, what was the timeframe and who would be involved.

These issues would be address under minute 170/14.

Meeting Reconvened.

165/14 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

District Council

Cllr Moulard ran through the report of the District Councillors which had been circulated to Councillors and the public. It was noted that on 4th December, the District Council had approved the content of the Draft Allocations Plan. This

contained the sites across East Hampshire which are considered suitable for development outside the South Down National Park.

166/14 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Recreation Committee

Cllr Jordan reported back on the work of the Recreation Committee. A meeting of the Radford Park Working Party had been held on 29th November and a further meeting will be held on 20th December 2014. The committee had also looked at the use of developer contributions, discussed in minute 168/14. It had also considered the offer to take over Gunn's Farm allotments, and this had been referred to the next finance & Policy Committee for approval.

The minutes of a meeting held on 1st December 2014.

Proposed Cllr Jordan, Seconded Cllr Trotter, unanimously approved.

LMC Management Committee

Cllr Maroney provided a report on the last meeting of the LMC Committee. The committee had discussed a schedule of works for the refurbishment and replacement of items at the centre, included the repair of the amphitheatre. There had also been discussions on the budget and the advisory committee.

The minutes of a meeting held on 13th November 2014.

Proposed Cllr Maroney, Seconded Cllr Kirby, unanimously approved.

167/14 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE F & P COMMITTEE

The Schedule of Accounts for October 2014 was noted (copy in minute book as attachment 1). Cllr Jordan advised that Cllr Ives 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:

October 2014

Cleared balances at the bank

Business Account	1,000.00
30 Day Account	272,137.62
Total held by the council end October 2014	273,137.62

Less un-presented cheque	1,857.91
Plus receipts not banked/cleared	3,498.12
Cashbook Balance	274,777.83

168/14 DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

Cllr Maroney stated that he had been in contact with Alisdair Tweddle from East Hants District Council, who manages the developer contributions. A sum of £143,262 was available for the Parish. However Mr Tweddle stated that £104,650 was allocated in 2010 for "Provision of Sports Facilities at Bohunt Manor". A sum of £15,961 is allocated to "Phase 2 Play Area Improvements at the Recreation Ground" and £1,000 is allocated to the provision of a new path across Fletchers Field. This means only £21,651 is available to new projects.

Cllr Easton stated that there had been further decisions since that time and that none of the funding was now allocated to specific projects.

Cllr Jordan felt that Mr Tweddle should be contacted to confirm whether the sum of £104,650 was allocated as the council's list of projects should be based on known facts.

It was noted that the council had been asked to provide an updated list of projects for consideration at the Community Forum in January 2015. This list should be in priority order.

The list attached as Appendix 5 to the agenda was approved.

169/14 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Parish Plan

Cllr Maroney reported on the work of the Parish Plan. The exhibitions had all been completed and the results should be known in the new year.

170/14 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Motion:

“This council will support a Neighbourhood Plan and that a budget is agreed to fund professional advice in relation to planning and legal requirements. In addition should the motion be agreed, that the Neighbourhood Plan working group is re-established to initiate the process.”

Proposed: Cllr J Kirby

Cllr Kirby read out her motion. This was seconded by Cllr Croucher.

Cllr Maroney explained that a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) should not be taken lightly and was an expensive and time consuming activity. He pointed out that the time for a NP was 2025 when EHDC has to decide on the next tranche of houses. This is likely to be 1,000 new homes. Doing the NP now was very likely to bring forward yet more housing much earlier.

Cllr Kirby stated that following a meeting with EHDC and through correspondence, a lot of information was available to help make the decision.

Having a NP would increase the amount received from the CIL from 15% to 25%. A NP would need to deliver more housing than the Local Plan. Only new sites would provide additional funding. This means that the benefit of an additional 10% needs to be considered against the cost of developing a NP. It was also noted that no CIL would be available for developments of less than 11 dwellings, so planning will be for larger sites. In addition, there is no CIL for affordable housing.

There was some discussion over the period of time a plan might take. This will partly depend on the complexity of the area and what is included in the plan.

Cllr Poole felt that a NP would be beneficial but questioned whether the decision should be taken before the new council is elected in May 2015.

Cllr Jordan stated that EHDC had advised that there were advantages in doing a NP. This would mean the area was prepared for any future government changes in policy. He felt that if approved, consultants should be employed to work with the Parish Council, to help identify the key issues.

Cllr Croucher reminded the meeting that there were also issues of drainage, traffic flows etc. to consider within the NP and it was no just about houses.

At this stage the motion was put to a vote and the chairman asked that the names of those supporting and not supporting the motion be recorded.

In favour Cllr Poole, Cllr Trotter, Cllr Jordan, Cllr Croucher. Not Supported Cllr Maroney, Cllr Easton, Cllr Kirby.

The motion was approved by a majority vote.

Meeting closed 8.45 pm

Chairman:

Date: