

BRADFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting held on March 2nd 2010.

Present.

Mr A. House. Chairman
Mrs D. Bartley-Brown
Mrs K. Dearing.
Mr P. Harrod.
Mr P. Isherwood.
Mr T. Wale
Mr R. Wyatt.

Mr C.W.Goudge. Clerk.

There were five members of the public present.

138. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence had been received from Mr Taylor and Mr Webb.

139. Public Forum.

Could some more dog bins be placed at strategic places round the Parish. The preferred location to start with would be at the end of Cock Lane on Footpath 5.
It was decided to purchase a bin through WBC.

A Youth Management Committee has been set up. It has been decided not to set up a Youth Club. The Mayfayre contributed £500 and there is also some £2,000 in an old Youth account. The flood lights are going to be reinstated at the tennis courts, and it was decided to set up a café in the drop in centre. It would be appropriate to set up an Award for Community Service, which could be presented at an APA, plus appropriate Certificates. The extension at the cricket pavilion could provide some accommodation for Youth activities.
The Council would be very pleased to go along with these proposals. It was decided to call the Youth shelter “The Alison Beaumont Shelter”.

140. The Bursar from Bradfield College.

The Chairman welcomed the Bursar.
The Bursar presented an apology from the Headmaster who had hoped to be here as well. The College appreciated the support from the Council for the planning application for the new Science Centre. The Greek Theatre is in the process of consultation to make a long lasting centre to replace the older Temple.
There is now a formally trained traffic Warden to guide and safeguard pupils when crossing the busy roads by the College. It is felt there should also be a 20mph zone round the College, and this request is being presented to the WBC Speed Limit Task Force in April. Support from the Council for this would be very welcome.
The Bursar asked for any questions.

Is the Science Centre on time. *It is, though there has been some delay because of the need to bring the substation up to standard for the new needs of the Centre. There is a spin off from this for the Village.*

There seem rather a lot of signs sprouting up round the College, and there seem to be a lot of signs for visitors. *Because of CCTV coverage extra signs are needed, but the temporary signs will be evaluated once the new car park is opened.*

The turn left into Ashampstead Road is now extremely difficult for a large vehicle. *The pavement was altered to help pedestrian safety, and there can be problems when pupils cross at the pinch point.*

The lampposts need to be all the same colour. *The College will look at this.*

141. The minutes of the last meeting held on February 2nd 2010.

The minutes had been circulated.

An alteration was needed in those present to change “Mrs Parsons” to Mrs Dearing”.

With this amendment the minutes were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.

142. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.

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i Youth shelter.

The Licence has been completed, and the shelter construction has started. It was decided to pay the value shown by the proforma invoice for fire retardant of £563.89.

143. Planning.

Decisions from the Planning Authority

		Decision.
09/01263/FUL	Bradfield House, Scratchface lane. Fitness suite.	Approval.
09/02446/CERTP	30, Heath road, Southend. Conservatory.	Approval.
09/02525/HOUSE	Stanford Woods, Tutts Clump. Tennis Court	Refusal
09/02556/HOUSE	College View, Bradfield. Conservatory	Approval.
09/02573/HOUSE	7, Heath Road, Bradfield Southend. Extensions	Approval
09/02595/HOUSE	Whitesills, Rotten Row. Extensions	Approval

New planning applications.

10/00089/FUL	St Peters Church, Southend Road. Modular building demolish and replace
10/00148/LBC	Oxford house, Rotten Row. Loft conversion and new windows to rear.

The Council returned “support” for these two applications.

10/00321/CERTE	Hewins Wood House, Bradfield. Extensions as residential.
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The Council had no further comment to make on this application.

Other matters

- i Bradfield College signs.
This has been discussed.
- ii WBC Local Development Framework Core Strategy.
It was decided to bring this to the next meeting for comment.
- iii Nurses Bungalow.
The bungalow has been demolished and the site fenced off.
- iv Oak Cottage.
The original building is being demolished.
- v S.106 funds.
The approach from WBC to use part of S.106 funding for general transport purposes was discussed and noted.

144. Highways.

Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

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- i Hedges & vegetation.
No trimming has been noted.
It was decided to ask Mr Scutter to continue his work for the current year.
- ii Rotten Row Hill.
No meeting with Highways has taken place. It was decided to arrange a fresh date.
- iii Southend Road drains.
These were reported as operating at the moment.
- iv Salt bins.
It was decided to ask Highways for a meeting about siting bins.

New matters.

- i. Potholes
The email from a concerned Parishioner was noted. It was decided to acknowledge the letter outlining the Council's understanding of WBC policy.
- ii Footway.
A footway had been suggested running from Hungerford Lane to the corner. It was decided to ask WBC to place this on the rolling programme.

145. Environment.

Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

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- i Plum Manger footpath.
It was decided that the draft Agreement from the Agent was not suitable for the purpose which the Council envisaged, and that the Agent would be so informed.
- ii Village name
It is understood that consultation is taking place between Royal mail and Parishioners.
- iii BT phone box.
This is now owned by the Council.

146. The report from the West Berkshire Councillor.

An apology for absence had been received from Mr Webb.

147. Correspondence received since the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.

The correspondence was discussed and, where appropriate, placed into circulation.

148. Items to be raised by Councillors.

The Code for Sustainable Homes has been changed, and details are on the website.

Neighbourhood Watch has some new members and this has enabled formal meetings to take place.

There is a van parking in the busstop layby opposite Boot Farm.

The field opposite McVeigh Parker has had a new fence round the property, together with a new drive. It was decided to ask whether these required planning permission.

149. Reports from Parish Council Representatives who have attended meetings of Outside Bodies on behalf of the Council.

Mrs Bartley-Brown had attended the recent NAG meeting, and notes are attached to these minutes. It was suggested that the PCSO for Sulhamstead should come to Bradfield.

Mrs Dearing had attended the last Youth meeting. It was suggested there should be a notice board for Youth news by the Post Office, and this could be of use to the Community generally. It is believed this would be a matter for the Village Hall Management Committee. It was not widely appreciated that Youth were clearing the tennis courts in the rain last Saturday.

150. Finance.

i	Receipts.		
	Lloyds TSB	Interest	£1.09
	Other P.C's	Photo	£55.00
ii	Payments by S/O		
	C.W.Goudge	Salary	£240.55
iii	Payments authorised.		
	Elmdale maintenance	Photocopier	£49.28
	Mortimer West End P.C.	Stationery & Computer	
		Six months	£55.20
	Chairman's allowance	Half year	£250.00
	R.F.Gleave	Internal audit March 31 2010	£125.00
	C.W.Goudge	Office allowance, postage& travel for the year	£399.94
iv	Grants.		
	Grants were made to -		
	Village hall	Mowing field and cutting hedge	£2,100.00
	Village hall	Spraying field & fertilizing	£1,061.90
	Methodist Burial Board	Burial ground upkeep	£175.00
	Standby Volunteer group.		£425.00
	PCC Churchyard	Graveyard maintenance	£350.00
	Neighbourhood Watch		£200.00
	Brownies and Guides.		£100.00

- v Other matters.
 - i The Statement of Receipts & Payments to date was noted.
 - ii The Internal Auditor's report on completion of the Internal audit was noted.

151. Date of the next meeting

Tuesday April 6th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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Chairman

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Date