

BRADFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting held on July 7th 2009.

Present.

Mr A. House.	Chairman
Mrs D. Bartley-Brown.	
Mr H. Howard.	
Dr P. Isherwood	
Mr T. Wale.	
Mr R. Wyatt.	
Mr G. Pask	District Councillor
Mr Q. Webb	District Councillor.
Mr C.W.Goudge.	Clerk.

There were two members of the public present.

31. Apologies for absence.

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

32. Public forum.

Is there any progress on the Youth Shelter.

A map is needed, as there are a couple of planned locations along with some draft plans. The Parish Council has the funds necessary to pay for the shelter, and notes the estimated cost of some £4k. There is no seating or lighting.

It is not felt that lighting would be useful. The Police have no objections to the design.

The Parish Council then formally approved the plans. Planning consent needs to be checked with WBC and, as the Council will own the Shelter, a simple agreement drawn up with the Village Hall Management Committee to cover such things as Insurance.

33. Minutes of the last meeting held on June 2nd 2009.

The minutes had been circulated.

There were three amendments requested.

Minute 20. Delete "coming out of the Parish Plan."

Minute 27 "Copyhole" Farm.

Minute 28 Although this would be sufficient "for phase one", fundraising.....

With these amendments the minutes were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.

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

Minute 22

i Vacancy for a Councillor.

There have been two formal applications. This will be discussed in a Part II meeting at the end of the Agenda business.

ii Youth shelter.

This has already been discussed.

iii Change of Village name.

Royal Mail is about to send letters out for consultation.

35. Planning.

Appeal.

08/02240/FULD Nurses Bungalow, Cock Lane.
There will be a site visit by the Planning Inspectorate
on Tuesday July 14th at 3.15pm.

Decisions from the Planning Authority.

09/00536/HOUSE	Oak Tree Cottage, Union Road. Conservatory	Approval
09/00653/HOUSE	Butlers Cottage, Buckhold. Extensions	Refusal
09/00659FULD	Land adjacent to Orchard Farm. Building to dwelling.	Refusal

New planning applications.

09/00905/LBC	Kimberhead Farm, Back Lane. First floor panel replacements.
09/1067/HOUSE	Admoor Cottage, Admoor Lane. Removal of conservatories & garage. New garage & extensions.
09/01212/HOUSE	Benisons, Southend Road. Three bay carport.
09/01251/MDOPO	Bradfield College Golf course. Modification of 139049 detail

The Council returned “no objections” to these four applications.

36. Highways.

Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

Minute 24.

- i College lighting.
The Council noted the College comments on the item in the Parish magazine. Two letters have been received about accidents at the College crossroads. The Council feels that the core problem lies with the conduct of pupils in sometimes ignoring sensible rules of road safety.
- ii Bridleway 26.
This is ongoing.
- iii Green Lane vegetation.
This had not been cleared and it was decided to remind WBC.
- iv Hedge growth.
WBC have provided leaflets for Owners about hedge responsibilities. It was reported that, at Acres Farm, Hungerford Lane, the trees are overhanging. It was decided to inform WBC.

New matters.

- i Revised bus timetable.

This was noted.

- ii Pavement repair.
WBC made a good repair to the pavement in Ashampstead Road.
- iii Southend Road speed checks.
Speed checks have been carried out by the Police, resulting in some warnings and one Summons.

37. Environment.

Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

Minute 27.

- i Helicopter activity.
There were no further reports.

New matters.

- i Playing field conditions.
Some comments had been made which were discussed with the Village Hall Management Committee.
- ii Neighbourhood Watch.
Two incidents have been reported.
- iii Dog bins.
The estimated cost for installation per bin is some £300, with annual collection costs per bin some £48 .
It was decided to write a letter of support to Ian Barnes so that the installation of those bins agreed could go ahead, and collection be more certain.
- iv District Parish Conference.
This will take place on September 9th. The location is not known.

38. The report of the West Berkshire Councillor.

WBC will have a stand at the Berkshire Show.
The Cinema in Newbury is proceeding on time.
There will be some free parking in both Thatcham and Newbury.
Veolia seem to be doing all they are asked.

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

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

40. Items to be raised by Councillors.

The landscape view from the Tutts Clump footpath has been irrevocably compromised by the growth of large trees by the path.

There is a difficult parking situation in Ashampstead Road caused by carers parking across driveway access. Talks with individual carers meet a bad response, and it was suggested that the Employer is contacted to ask for simple help.

The chicane markings in Ashampstead Road have now been painted.
There was an occasion when noise from the College at night was obtrusive, and this would be monitored.

