



Bramshaw Parish Council

New Forest Hampshire

By Order of Clerk & RFO

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Bramshaw Parish Council held in the **Community Room, Bramshaw Village Hall on Tuesday 25th March 2025 at 19:30.**

All minutes are draft until ratified at the next meeting

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Martin Vann
Cllr Sue Bennison
Cllr Vaughan Thomas
In attendance: Diana O’Grady (clerk)
District Cllr. Joe Reilly
2 members of the public

196/25 Apologies for Absence

- Cllr Medley, apologies received and reason accepted.
- Cllr. Coutts, apologies received and reason accepted.

197/25 Public Participation Period

- A member of the public spoke on speeding through the village.
 - A scheme in Beech (near Alton) where the proportion of traffic that was speeding dropped from 42% to 12%. The scheme used several of the automatic recording cameras that were discussed previously (which cost £755 each) as well as automatic speed indicators (SIDs, like the one in Landford – which cost in excess of £3K each...)
 - They also told us that Beaulieu had bought similar equipment and our PCSO Richard Williams had told them that the police would not engage with the scheme at all – they don’t have the resources and it is not their priority.

198/25 Declaration of Interests and dispensation requests

- None declared.

199/25 To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 25th February 2025

- Agreed by all who were there and signed by the Chair.

Reports

200/25 Reports from County / District Councillors

- NFDC website shows details of current status of reorganisation.
- Some postal voters will need to re-register, NFDC will be contacting those who are registered.
- National Park Local Plan consultation closes 4th April.

201/25 Correspondence circulated electronically

- Slides and information from Parish Clerks meeting with Kate Ryan
- Asset register sheet
- Financial and equipment sharing arrangements with Minstead PC
- Bramshaw Parish Council meeting etiquette policy
- 3 x quotes for repairs to 3 x noticeboards circulated electronically. 1 x quote for each noticeboard: Parish notice boards at Fritham next to the Royal Oak and

Bramshaw Stocks Cross, and the Public notice board outside Bramshaw village shop.

- NALC Model Standing Orders

Items ongoing

- 202/25 Traffic Calming
- Cllr Vann asked Cllr Bennison to speak with Cllr Heron about Speedwatch equipment.
 - Clerk to ask PCSO Williams to address the April Parish Council meeting.
- 203/25 Village flooding
- Clerk sent letter to Cllr LuLu Bowerman but no reply has been received.
 - Clerk to send a chase-up and confirmation letter.
- 204/25 Noticeboards
- Noticeboard at church has been removed.
 - Noticeboard for parishioners / community to use is now outside the Village shop.
 - 1 x quote received for refurbishment of each of the 3 noticeboards left.
 - Stocks Cross refurbishment quote for £175. Council agreed to go ahead with the work as quoted.
 - Cllr Vann will place 2 x single noticeboards outside the pub at Fritham, one for Parish Council use, the other for community use.
- 205/25 Hedges around the village
- Clerk sent emails and letters the Golf Club and the Warrens estate, and Cllr Thomas spoke with Max Hadley. The hedge around the golf club has been cut back.
- 206/25 Recruitment of new Councillors
- The Council is still advertising and Councillors are asking local contacts but no new Councillors have yet stepped forward. Cllr Thomas will re-word the advertisement and it will be in the May Horizon magazine.
- 207/25 Planning the APM
- David Ilsley will address the APM, Cllr Heron is not able to attend, nor is PCSO Williams.
 - Clerk to write to PC Mark Roberts to ask if he would be able to attend the APM
 - Clerk to write to Kate Ryan to ask if she might attend.
 - Clerk to write to Craig Harrison at Forestry England.

New items

- 208/25 Review of Bramshaw Parish Council Meeting etiquette policy
- All agreed and the policy has been adopted by the Council
- 209/25 Review of Asset register
- Reviewed, changes made and agreed by the Council
 - Insurance policy was reviewed at the same time. It was decided that the overall cover was adequate but Council will search for something better fitted to their needs before renewal in 2025.
- 210/25 Village maps
- Cllr Bennison has a box of old village maps and Cllr Vann has old books of the area.
 - Cllr Vann will ask the village shop if they would take the books and loan them to interested villagers.
- 211/25 Financial and equipment sharing arrangements with Minstead PC including Clerk membership of SLCC.
- Agreed on all sharing items as circulated. The Parish Council also agreed to split the membership cost of SLCC equally between Minstead and Bramshaw PCs at £101 each. Payment of £101 authorised to SLCC.

- 212/25 Other reports from Parish Representatives
 - Cllr Bennison attended the consultative panel. Forestry England want to introduce parking charges across all car parks. The system will be cashless. Membership scheme has been suggested for NPA residents.
 - NPA 20th anniversary this year.

213/25 **Planning**

New Applications

None

Trees

25/00260CONS Little Popes Cottage, LYNDHURST ROAD, BROOK, LYNDHURST, SO43 7HE

Fell 1 x Ash tree (T1 on the plan), Fell group of 8 x Ash trees (G1 on the plan)

Comments: None

214/25 **Finance**

- DD set up for quarterly HMRC payments
- Invoices circulated electronically
 - Book of stamps £6.60 bought by Clerk
- Payments for authorisation
 - Book of stamps £6.60
 - Payment authorised by the Council
- Bank reconciliation and approval Q1, Q2, Q3
 - The reconciliation for the 1st 3 x quarters of 2024- 2025 were agreed by the Council and signed by the Chair.

| BRAMSHAW PARISH COUNCIL | | | | |
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| CASH FLOW REPORT | | Period: Feb - Mar 2025 | | |
| PAYMENTS | | | | |
| Payments | | | | |
| Date paid | Method | Payee | Details | TOTAL |
| 28-Feb-25 | SO | Diana O'Grady | February salary and expenses | 440.93 |
| 27-Feb-25 | online | Diana O'Grady | Folders and dividers | 4.20 |
| 11-Mar-25 | online | Citizens Advice New Fores | S137 request for support | 150.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | 595.13 |
| RECEIPTS | | | | |
| Receipts | | | | |
| Date | Method | Payee | Details | TOTAL |
| 04-Mar-25 | Online | Gemma | Tax repayment | 205.60 |
| TOTAL | | | | 205.60 |
| FOR APPROVAL | | | | |
| For Approval | | | | |
| Inv Date | Method | Payee | Details | TOTAL |
| 17-Mar-25 | online | Diana O'Grady | Book of stamps | 6.60 |
| TOTAL | | | | 6.60 |
| UPCOMING | | | | |
| Date | Method | Payee | Details | TOTAL |
| 28-Mar-25 | SO | Diana O'Grady | March salary and expenses | 440.93 |
| TOTAL | | | | 440.93 |
| BANK | BALANCE | 11,791.06 | | |
| | FORECAST | 11,343.53 | | |
| Payments Approved | Printed Name and Date | | | |
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215/25 Future Meeting
 Next Ordinary Parish Council meeting **Tuesday 22nd April 2025** at 19:30, Community room of Bramshaw Village Hall

Meeting closed at 21:32