

# **Bramshaw Parish Council**

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 26 July 2022 at 7:30pm Bramshaw Village Hall (Community Room)

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#### Present:-

Councillors: Mark Medley - Chair (MM), Martin Vann - Vice-Chair (MV), Adam Coutts (AC), Kay Harrison

(KH), and Carl Seabourne (CS). Plus: Seven members of the public

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Sue Bennison, Jenny Watts, Diane Andrews (NFDC), and

Clerk/RFO Melanie Camilleri (who was unwell)

**85/22 Declarations of interest:** None

86/22 Minutes: the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28 June 2022 were

approved

87/22 Public Forum

88/22 Planning

i) To consider planning applications and treeworks:-

22/00332: Old Post Office Farm, FRITHAM, LYNDHURST, SO43 7HH

Proposal: Glazed link to connect house to ancillary outbuilding

Resolved unanimously: We recommend REFUSAL for the reasons listed below but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers:-

The proposed link is larger in size than is necessary to simply provide a sheltered passageway between the main house and the outbuilding. It therefore adds living space to a property which has already exceeded the allowable 30% (according to the briefing note). Furthermore, the nature of the proposed link has the character of a conservatory, with the associated probability of light pollution.

22/00499: Wicksmead, Penn Common Road, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JL

Proposal: Application to vary condition 2 of planning permission 21/00736 for replacement dwelling; demolition of existing dwelling to allow minor material amendment

Resolved unanimously: We recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers:-

The requested reconfiguration of the property preserves the same essential design as was previously approved. It occupies the same footprint, provides the same internal floor space, and the changes will have no impact on neighbours or the surrounding environment. We do note that there is a change to the ground floor rear elevation, with an increase in the amount of glazing, but this was judged to be reasonable and acceptable.

**22/00512:** THE COACH HOUSE, COURT FARM, BROOK HILL, BRAMSHAW, LYNDHURST, SO43 7JB

**Proposal:** Extension to stable building; infill area to connect two outbuildings to form single building

Resolved unanimously: We recommend PERMISSION for the reasons listed below but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers:-

The addition of the tractor store/feed store is consistent with the (equestrian) use and maintenance of the property. It is unobtrusive and the design is consistent with the existing stables.

The infill between the Summer House and the Garage is also unobtrusive and the proposed design presents a harmonious appearance.

ii) To discuss the following Planning Application (on the Bramshaw boundary) which is going to NFNPA Planning Committee for determining:-

**21/00928/FULL:** Camping And Caravan Site, Green Hill Farm, New Road, Landford, Salisbury, SP5 2AZ

<u>Proposal</u>: Use of land for the siting of 150 holiday lodges (static caravans), which includes the existing 60 holiday lodges on site and 90 in place of the 130 existing touring and camping pitches; 16 Glamping units consisting of 8 safari tents, 4 glamping pods and 4 shepherd huts; central amenities building; 1no tipi; play village; cycle hire; fishing hut; trim trail; pond; extension of existing lake; operational development, including the laying of bases, access roads, parking spaces, paths; recreational areas; and, landscaping AMENDED DESCRIPTION AND PLANS)

Unanimously agreed to write to the NPNPA to convey our position, which is as follows:

BPC fully supports the position of Landford PC in opposing the further development of Green Hill.

We commend and endorse the analysis which is documented in the Appendix to the Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting held by LPC on 18th July. These address the many areas where the development contravenes policy and/or the duties and obligations of the NPA in protecting the National Park environment. We agree with this analysis and share the expressions of concern.

In addition, Bramshaw residents living in the vicinity of Penn Common, close to the Green Hill site, have reported significantly increased disturbance and pressure on the forest in the form of dog walking, pedestrian activity and cycling on undesignated tracks, over the last two years, resulting from the lodge and glamping development already undertaken. This would be further exacerbated by the proposed expansion.

The further development of the site will also increase traffic flow through Bramshaw and Brook on the B3079. This is totally inconsistent with the objectives of the traffic calming scheme we implemented in 2018 (with the help and support of HCC), which aimed to restore an environment safe for animals, cyclists, pedestrians and other local users.

We are also concerned about the broader implications for the entire National Park. If a touring camping site at Green Hill can be transformed into a village of static homes, then we fear the same principle could be applied to every campsite

in the park, and the detrimental impacts noted by Landford and Bramshaw will spread to other Parishes.

## 89/22 Lengthsman

- i) There has been no response from Lengthsman regarding clarification of the work performed corresponding to invoice no 1624. Clerk to advise Wellow PC and request that payment continue to be withheld until this is resolved.
- ii) A list of additional jobs for the Lengthsman has been prepared but will be held back until the issue above is resolved.

#### 90/22 Finance

- i) The Cash Flow Report was approved
- ii) The S137 Grant application from Victim Support in the amount of £50 was approved

# 91/22 Councillors Reports

**KH** advised that the Give Way sign on the approach to Stocks Cross from the direction of Bramble Hill is leaning at a perilous angle. SB to request Highways to repair it.

<u>CS</u> will obtain budgetary estimates for carved wooden signs to replace the broken 'Brook' and 'Bramshaw' signs previously noted (SB to continue to pursue Highways for conventional replacements in the meantime)

## 92/22 Correspondence, AOB, urgent matters

- i) Commemorative tree plaques: deferred to September meeting
- ii) New Forest District Council's Cabinet: proposed changes to their recycling and rubbish service, and plans to reduce waste in the district, were approved at a full Council meeting on 11 July 2022. Changes are not expected to take place until 2024 onwards. Noted – no action required.
- iii) Request from member of the public to hide a geocache in the Furzley Phonebox: This was deemed to be potentially a positive additional use for a council asset. The council unanimously agreed to offer the use of both the Furzley phone box and also the Bramshaw phone box.
- iv) The Reading Room, a bookclub launched by Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Cornwall: two free books have been offered and accepted to put into the community phonebox library. The council agreed that we should ask if additional sets of books could be made available for the libraries at Furzley and Fritham (Action Clerk/JW)

## 93/22 Date of next meeting

The date of the next Meeting for Bramshaw Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 27 September 2022 at 7:30pm in the Bramshaw Village Hall (Community Room)

Being no further business, Cllr Mark Medley closed the meeting at 21.00.

# DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING