



BRAMSHAW PARISH COUNCIL NEW FOREST HAMPSHIRE DRAFT

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 28th JANUARY 2014 AT BRAMSHAW VILLAGE HALL.

Members Present:

Denis Shaughnessy (Chair)
Sue Bennison (SB) (Vice Chair)
Nigel Challis (NCh)
Ian Davies (ID)
Kay Harrison (KH)
Jenny Watts (JW)

Others:-

Cllr Diane Andrews

Jane Mullan (Clerk)

001.14 **Apologies** – Apologies were received from Cllr Edward Heron and Sally Arnold .

002.14 **Disclosures of interest.**
No disclosures.

003.14 **Minutes** – to agree the minutes of 17th December 2013 as a true record.
The council agreed the minutes were a true record of the meeting held on 17th December 2013.

004.14 **Matters arising** from the minutes of 17th December 201, ongoing actions to report not otherwise on the Agenda. None were brought to the attention of the meeting.

005.14 Reports to be received

- i) District Cllr Diane Andrews told the meeting how it was now possible to make a report to the police and Keep Britain Tidy of litter being dropped from a car – see [keepbritaintidy Carlitter](#) for more information. She felt this may be of interest to Bramshaw because of the close proximity of the drive through McDonalds at Ower.
Following the winter storms, NFDC will be moving 100, 000 tonnes of grit to provide additional coastal protection along its coast lines.
Hurst Castle is to become a heritage site.
- ii) Sue Bennison advised that she had attended:
New Forest Association of Local Councils – principal points discussed were:
 - Handling FOI requests,
 - Cycling in the New Forest, particularly Event Cycling – NPA may consider putting an Article 4 Direction on Venues with NPA Boundaries if such events in 2014 caused a similar level of disruption as in 2013.
 - Presentation by HALC on fraud prevention.

Consultative Panel

- New Forest Trust gave a presentation on 'Love the Forest'. They fund reflective paints and stickers to mark the ponies with, reflective collars, etc – more information at www.lovetheforest.org.uk

- Update on Cycling Code by Nigel Matthews (NPA) this is on the NPA website. Event Cycling Organisations are not so keen to sign up to Charter.
- Forestry Commission Organisation changes by Mike Sneddon.
- Chairman of Consultative panel standing down from March 2014 –nominations are open for the post.

North East Parish Council Quadrant Meeting

- HLS landscape leaflet – Advice and Guidance for Owners of Properties Adjoining the New Forest now complete.
- Cycling update – as above – but SB raised concern over the very bright head lamps worn by cyclists in the dark and how blinding they are to oncoming traffic.
- Management Plan due to be reviewed in 2015. Suggested something about cycling events be included.
- Woodland Management/Woodfuel – Presentation by Georgina Watson (NFLAS) Wood fuel will become increasingly popular in the future as fossil fuel prices rise. Developing a productive wood fuel market in the New Forest is a practical option as managed woods will be able to provide a sustainable, local and carbon neutral energy source, which will benefit local communities, habitats and wildlife.

New Forest Equine Forum

- Steve Avery advised that the National Parks will not be exempt from the proposed planning changes to allow farm buildings to be converted to residential accommodation with only prior approval sought

The Parish Council asked the clerk to write to Nick Boles, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Planning expressing their concern over the radical changes this decision could bring to the New Forest National Park.

- Review of Management Plan discussed from the horse owning population point of view.
- Cycling Liaison Group – Fiona MacDonald advised that there is a long way to go in coming to an agreement over the cycling charter.
- Mystery Dog Illness – virus possibly likes 4°C and wet places. It is not only confined to the New Forest. Vets are however trying to put a vaccine together. Ensuring that your dog is washed off properly after walking on the Forest may help to stop the virus getting into the blood stream of the dog.

Jenny Watts advised that the police have let her know that due to the vigilance of her neighbours, they have caught the 3 men that broke into her house – the men are to be sentenced soon, but the police felt it was a great result.

006.14 **Public Forum** An opportunity for the public to make known the council any issues of concern, or to make comment on items on the Agenda including Planning Applications.

No comments brought forward.

007.14 **Planning Applications –**

i) **Planning applications for comment:**

14/00001: Bramshaw Post Office And Stores, Brook Hill, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JB.

Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for Existing use of building as Post Office and Stores and two self contained units of accommodation. The Parish Council resolved they would be happy to accept the decision reached by the NPA's officers under their delegated powers, as they have no comment to make on the application.

14/00005: Youngs Orchard, Brook Green, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JB

Roof alterations to create additional first floor accommodation; single storey and two storey extensions; porch; external alterations. The Parish Council resolved to recommend refusal of the application because they felt the doubling of the roof length increases the overall bulk of the property to an unacceptable level.

13/99096: Well Cottage, Canterton Manor, Lyndhurst Road, Brook, Lyndhurst, SO43 7HE.

Single storey extensions; roof alterations; chimney; 4 dormer windows (removal of existing dormer); 3 rooflights; external alterations. The Parish Council resolved to recommend this application be granted because they believe the proposal will improve the look of the property and does not contravene any planning policies.

13/99098: Nuthatch, Brook Hill, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JB

Detached outbuilding. The Parish Council resolved to recommend permission for the above application because they felt it was a modest building and in keeping with its surroundings.

ii) **Planning decisions to note:**

13/99038 Hopscotch, The Old School House, Lyndhurst Road, Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, SO43 7JE

Conservatory. Refused.

13/99008 Bramble Hill Hotel, Bramble Hill, BRAMSHAW, SO43 7J

Continued use of part of existing hotel to provide 2 no. separate units of residential accommodation for a temporary period (time limited to 3 years from date of permission). Refused.

13/98987 Blenmans Farm, Furzley Common Road, BRAMSHAW, SO43 7JH

Addition of roof; internal alterations. Granted.

13/98986 Blenmans Farm, Furzley Common Road, BRAMSHAW, SO43 7JH

Addition of roof; internal alterations - Granted.

13/98962 The Old Bakery, Fritham, SO43 7HJ

Carport; terrace; repairs to existing outbuilding; cattle grid- Granted.

13/98953 Penn Cottage, Penn Common, SO43 7JL

Two storey extension and porch. Granted.

12/97657 Cove Copse Farm, Penn Common Road, Bramshaw, SO43 7JN

Proposal: New commoners dwelling; associated buildings; access. – waiting for NPA decision.

iii) **Tree applications for comment:**

None for January.

iv) **Tree application decisions to note:**

Streamline felling applications granted for works in Dark Hat Wood, Pipers Waite Bottom, Pipers Waite 2 Beeches, and Pipers Waite Reserve.

008.14 Finance and Policy

i) Payments for authorisation –

The Council authorised the following payments:

a)	Jim Donnelly (work on phone box)	000682	£ 213.00
b)	Jane Mullan Salary Jan 2014	000683	£ 257.50
c)	Sue Bennison (mileage)	000684	£ 36.45

ii) Financial Report.

Income : £5891.32
Expenditure: £ 4517.29
Balance: £11474.14

iii) CAB grant application.

The Council resolved to award New Forest CAB a £50 grant.

009.14 Co-option of council member.

David Johnston still interested in becoming a councillor, but was unable to attend the meeting.

010.14 Consultation on Proposed Reduction to the Mobile Library Service in Hampshire.

The Council decided to respond to this Consultation over the coming months, as have until May 2014 to respond, but in the interim, the clerk to advertise the proposed reductions to the service to so that parishioners can have their say. Visits to two of the four stops in our area are to be stopped – Brook Corner and Bramble Hill.

011.14 Fireworks in the New Forest – at the request of a local resident, consideration of whether the fireworks are appropriate in the New Forest – and how to control their use.

The Council are of the view that the industrial type fireworks which are being used within Bramshaw Parish are totally inappropriate in the New Forest. They have asked the clerk to try and start a dialogue with the Equine Forum, Commoner's Defence Association, Verderers, National Park and neighbouring parish councils expressing their concern.

012.14 Opening of Bramshaw Book and Information Exchange – Cllr Diane Andrews to come and open the box along with Daniel Stickland. Daniel had done a lot of advertising. Opening to happen at Midday 2 February 2014.

013.14 Consideration of items for next meeting.

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Signs.

014.14 **Date of next meeting.**
25th February 2014.

Meeting closed 8 .45 pm.

Signed:.....

Date:.....

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