



Minutes of the Meeting of Bramley Parish Council

Held at Bramley Village Hall on 8th January 2026, starting at 18:30

PARTICIPANTS

Messrs J Austin (Chair), Cllrs B Stern, P Leung, C Marshall, N Gravenell Stern, M Vivian and M England. D Ersser, the Clerk, SCC Cllr Kevin Deanus & 4 members of the public were also present.

Chair J Austin noted Tony Coleman's resignation and thanked him for his many years of excellent service on the Council, all councillors expressed their thanks.

01/26 **To receive apologies for absence**
None

02/26 **Co-option of councillor to fill vacant position.**
2 candidates for the vacant position introduced themselves and presented their reasons for wishing to become a Cllr.
Cllrs voted and Mark England was elected.

03/26 **Declarations of interest**
None

04/26 **Minutes of the meeting 11th December 2025**
The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting on 11th December and were then signed by the Chairman.

05/26 **Matters arising from minutes of the meeting of 11th December -**
None

06/26 **Correspondence**
Members noted the correspondence report circulated by the Clerk.

07/26 **Waverley and Surrey County Councillors Update**

Surrey County Council update from Cllr Kevin Deanus

SCC Cllr Kevin Deanus advised that the fair funding review had been received on 18.12.25 he noted that funding would increase by only 0.7% over the next 3 years and it is forecast that by 2030 97% of SCC's funding would come from taxpayers.

Cllr Deanus stated that there would be a meeting with the Secretary of State to discuss local government reorganisation including the election of a mayor in 2027, in his opinion the election may be postponed to 2028.

Waverley Borough Council update from Cllr Jane Austin

WBC Cllr J Austin noted that the cost for Cranleigh Leisure center had increased again by a further £5 million.



She also noted that WBC had the 2nd highest number of unauthorised traveller sites in the country at 156, she pointed out that the majority were on sites owned by travellers.

Cllr Austin expressed concern over illegal subletting of units in Dunsfold Park.

08/26 **Committee actions:**

Planning Review Committee

Cllr F Stern advised that the application for 2 houses at Clockhouse Lane had been approved following the appeal. She pointed out that the land had been classified as grey belt although it was outside the settlement area and on National Landscape land setting a dangerous precedent for future applications.

Cllr F Stern also advised that the application for 26 houses on the allotment site at Park Drive had gone to appeal. She advised that the field was currently flooded and expressed her concerns regarding access. Cllr F Stern agreed to examine the new documents and prepare an objection prior to the 10th February to present to Cllrs.

Combe Farm Buildings – 3 members of The Friends of Alldens Lane attended.

Chair Austin advised that BPC had previously resolved to object to the licence application.

There are 2 further applications on this site. One of the residents advised that the NMA application was likely to be withdrawn.

Cllrs and residents discussed the application for building D. Residents pointed out there had been serious safety and access issues down a single-track road when the restaurant was 50sqm and that the new restaurant, approx 500sqm, would obviously exacerbate these issues with particular concern expressed re emergency vehicle access.

BPC agreed to prepare an objection to the application.

Planning review process – Cllr agreed to hold a planning meeting prior to each monthly council meeting.

Asda Community Fund

Cllr B Stern reported that there were still uncertainties re sources of funding for the pavilion.

He advised that there would be a committee meeting in early February followed by a 6 monthly update to residents.

The clerk advised that further invoices had been submitted to Asda but the payment process was slow.

Highways committee

Cllr F Stern advised that from Jan - Nov 2025 there were an average of 211 speeding offences per month in the average speed check area with the highest speed recorded being 62mph.

Chair Austin advised that there had been 269 utility roadworks between Bramley & Guildford in the past 18 months

SCC Cllr Deanus advised that 20mph consultation would start in the next few months.

Estate Manager Report – Nothing to report



Bramley Sports Club Sub Committee

Following Cllr Coleman's resignation Cllrs voted unanimously to appoint Cllr B Stern as chairman and to appoint Cllr England to the committee. The committee will meet on 13th January to discuss the potential of issuing of a lease to the Bramley Cricket Club.

Cllr Gravenell reported that we now had 2 quotes for the pavilion safeguarding work but as it was still unclear as to whether BPC or BCC would be carrying out the work, he would postpone reporting on the quotes at this stage.

Cllrs noted that they wanted to increase the use of Gosden common for sports.

Resilience

It was noted that the grit bins were empty, Cllr Leung agreed to arrange to refill them.

Library – Nothing to report

Eastwood Road Playground committee

Chair Austin noted that Cllr Marshall had obtained a quote of approx £8.5k to replace the base under the original climbing frame and provide a base under the basket swing. Chair Austin expressed her support and asked the clerk to circulate the quote to cllrs.

09/26 **Parish updates and actions**

- a. Pavilion and environs (including Gosden Common, Links Road) – Nothing to report.
- b. Station Road and environs (including Hall Road, Eastwood, Barton Road, Linersh Wood) – Nothing to report
- c. High Street and environs (including Windrush Close, Old Rectory Close, Snowdenham Links Road and Lane)
Cllr Leung advised that there was a break in the Xmas lights at Windrush House and requested this be included next year – Clerk to raise with the Asda committee.
- d. Grounds and Downs Link – Nothing to report
- e. Rural Parish (including Thorncombe Street, Birtley Green, Grafham and South) – nothing to report

10/26 **Finance**

- a. Payments listed at Appendix B (circulated) Members agreed payments between 5th December 2025 to 2nd January 2026, to the value of £9,911.53
- b. Cllrs noted the actual v budget to 31.12.25 (circulated).

Cllr Leung

Clerk

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11/26 **Points of information and any other matters**

Cllr Vivian agreed to start the planning process to produce a new BPC website



The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Agreed and signedChairman, February 12th 2026