



Minutes of the Meeting of Bramley Parish Council

Held at Bramley Village Hall on 10th July 2025, starting at 19:00

PARTICIPANTS

Messrs J Austin (Chairman), Cllrs B Stern, T Coleman, F Stern, P Leung, N Gravenell, M Vivian and C. Marshall. D Ersser, the Clerk & SCC Cllr Kevin Deanus were also present.

60/25 **To receive apologies for absence**

T Saunders

61/25 **Declarations of interest**

None

62/25 **Minutes of the meeting 12th June 2025**

Minutes of the meeting of 12th June 2025, were agreed as a true record. These were signed by the Chairman.

63/25 **Matters arising from minutes of the meeting of 12th June - None**

64/25 **Correspondence**

Members noted the correspondence report circulated by the Clerk.

65/25 **Waverley and Surrey County Councillors Update**

Surrey County Council update from Cllr Kevin Deanus

Cllr Deanus stated that despite comments to the contrary SCC were not 3 days away from bankruptcy and were actually one of the most financially prudent councils in the country.

He also advised that there was a lot of work going on regarding road safety and he would have an update in September. He also noted that the results of the recent rural speed review in the parish were not available yet.

Cllr Deanus advised that decision regarding local government reorganisation was due in October.

Waverley Borough Council update from Cllr Kevin Deanus

Cllr Deanus stated the grounds maintenance contract had been approved by the executive and would go to full council next week.

Cllr Deanus advised that the problems with CIL payments were ongoing. He advised that there were around 20 residents affected in WBC.

66/25 **Committee actions:**

Planning Review Committee

Cllrs noted the planning report.



Cllrs noted the list of recent planning decisions circulated by Cllr F Stern.

Cllrs discussed the process for commenting on local planning applications.

Chairman Austin explained that there were 3 levels of planning policy, Central Government's National Planning Policy Framework, WBC's Local Plan Policy & BPC's Neighbourhood Plan.

The Clerk was asked to see if there was any training available for Cllrs.

Cllrs will have a planning meeting to discuss further in September or October.

Clerk

Asda Community Fund

Cllr B Stern reported that further progress had been made with payments to Bramley Fete, The Wey & Arun Canal Trust, Eastwood Road Playground project & a further payment for marketing had all been approved.

He also stated that we are still waiting for approval of the Bramley Infant School project and clarification of the VAT issue.

Cllr B Stern said he didn't think there would be a meeting in July.

Highways committee

Chairman Austin asked who was responsible for replacing the bus stop on the A281 north of the roundabout. SCC Cllr Deanus advised her to contact WBC.

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Austin

The Clerk was asked to contact SCC Highways regarding reinstalling the 2 Bramley signs.

Clerk

Estate Manager Report

The Bowls Club

Cllr F Stern stated that transfer was due to be completed by the end of July.

Once the transfer is completed Cllrs agreed to get the grass cut & install security fencing to protect the site.

In the longer-term Cllrs would like to make the area a community space following public consultation.

Cllrs joined Chairman Austin in thanking Cllr F Stern for all her hard work in making the transfer happen.

Cllr Gravenell

Bramley Sports Pavilion

Cllr Gravenell asked Cllrs if there were all in agreement with the proposal to spend money on the pavilion and promote it as a multi-sport facility for the village. Cllrs agreed.

Chairman Austin asked whether we were being ambitious enough with regard to the Sports Pavillion compared to for example Womersley Parish Council & the Arbuthnot Hall in Shamley Green but, accepted Cllr Gravenell's comments that the Pavillion is structurally sound and the safeguarding requirements can be met.

Cllr Gravenell reported that he had met with Surrey Cricket Club, and they had advised that we need to address the safeguarding issues and promote children & women's cricket.

Cllr B Stern stated that the chairman of the Sports Pavilion Trust should be a Cllr with the chairman of Bramley Cricket Club as vice chair. He also pointed out the cricket club maintain the square at their expense.



Chairman Austin is going to look at the lease with GBC to ascertain the best way forward.

Resilience – Nothing to report

Library – Nothing to report

Village Hall committee

The service level between BPC & Bramley Village Hall committee was agreed by Cllrs and signed by both chairmen.

67/25 **Parish updates and actions**

- a. Pavilion and environs (including Gosden Common, Links Road) –
Chairman Austin met with Thames Water and they think the work done at the pumping station has been successful.
- b. Station Road and environs (including Hall Road, Eastwood, Barton Road, Liners Wood)
The clerk was asked to look into the possibility of putting a mirror on the lamppost at the exit from Eastwood Lodge to Eastwood Road.
- c. High Street and environs (including Windrush Close, Old Rectory Close, Snowdenham Links Road and Lane)
Cllrs discussed the parking issues at the library and asked the clerk to contact WBC to check their monitoring process.
They also discussed parking issues in Bramley in general including Windrush Close. The clerk was asked to request residents park more considerably especially when parking on pavements in the next Bramley update.
- d. Grounds and Downs Link
Cllrs expressed their thanks to BVS and especially Liz Sutherland for all their hard work tidying up the village.
- e. Rural Parish (including Thorncombe Street, Birtley Green, Grafham and South)
Chairman Austin met with Grafham Church to discuss the field to the right of the church which has been ruined following a fire, rubbish being dumped & hard standings put down. She advised them to install barriers to prevent unlawful access.
Chairman Austin also advised that unauthorised work had been carried out at Alldens Hill widening the road and putting in passing places. This has been reported to WBC enforcement.

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68/25 **Finance**

- a. Payments listed at Appendix B (circulated) Members agreed payments between 5th June and 4th July 2025, to the value of £20787.42

Clerk



- b. Clerk advised that the relevant audit documents had been posted on the BPC website in accordance with financial regulations.

69/25 **Points of information and any other matters**

Clerk to arrange a meeting to discuss the future of Bramley in August.

The meeting closed at 8.13pm

Agreed and signedChairman, September 11th 2025

Clerk