BRAITHWELL WITH MICKLEBRING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THE 29th JULY 2025
THE MEETING WAS HELD AT THE MASTERS HOUSE, BRAITHWELL

Present – Cllr Parkes, Cllr Sharman & Cllr Spencer
Attending - Ms. D Hoyes (Clerk) Ward Cllr Greenhalgh
Public – 3 members of the public & 1 trustee from the Masters House.

Public Session
One member of the public raised concerns about the state of the pedestrian access to the play park, and the overall condition of the park. Clerk confirmed that CDC had received his complaint and that they had accordingly contacted the Parish Council. Clerk also confirmed that the tenant at the Butchers Arms had checked on the walkway and had cleared it of bottles. The tenant wanted it noted that the bottles found were ones which were not sold at the pub. The sub tenant of the Butchers Arms attended the meeting to introduce himself to the Parish Council.

Business Session

560/25 Chairman's Opening Statement & declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest*
Cllr Parkes opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

561/25 Apologies and approve reasons for absence.
Apologies were received from Cllr Pawson & Cllr Addenbrooke. The reasons were approved with a show of hands.

562/25 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th June 2025 as true and correct record.
The minutes of the meeting were approved with a show of hands as a true and correct record. The Chair signed the minutes after the meeting.

563/25 Matters arising that are not on the Agenda (for information purposes only)
Cllr Spencer reported that the street light on Ruddle Lane which was knocked down in an RTA still hadn't been replaced. Clerk to action. Cllr Sharman reported that the road surface on Church Grove was not fit for purpose after recent works carried out for fibre cabling. Clerk to report to CDC.

564/25 Police Report & update on Road Safety/Community Speed Watch

SY Police May Report 2025

Village	Road	Crime	Statistics
Braithwell	Ashton Lane	Vehicle Crime	1
	Ashton Lane	Violence & Sexual Crime	1
Micklebring	Greaves Syke Lane	Anti-Social Behaviour	1
		Total	**3**

Community Speed Watch
No community speed watch events were completed in this period.

565/25 Update on Greaves Syke Lane – In particular DYL proposal for Micklebring Lane, Greaves Syke Lane
Clerk confirmed that CDC were about to start the consultation process. **Matter ongoing.**

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566/25 Ward Councillor Update
No report received.

567/25 To consider and decide on pending planning applications.
25/01490/FUL Erection of a single storey extension to the front and side 32 Micklebring Lane Braithwell Rotherham S66 7AS.
Council discussed this application and supported it with a show of hands.

568/25 To discuss the Whitestone Solar Farm proposal
Clerk reported that she had attended a consultation meeting with Green Nation about the Whitestone proposal.
Matters raised:

- Point of the meeting to discuss the potential community fund offered with this project.
- Amount offered £1.8 million paid over a 6-year period, paid out to 22 affected Parish/Town Councils. If equally split each Council would receive £13.6k per year.
- Green Nation would not commit to how this fund would be managed & how it would be allocated.
- General consensus from Council's was that the fund was rather insignificant in comparison to the extent and disruption the proposal would cause.

Clerk reported that the second consultation phase was due to commence in the Autumn. **Matter ongoing**.

569/25 To discuss the suggested proposal from the Trustees of the Masters House with regard to change in legal ownership
Council discussed this matter and agreed that the Parish Council should become the Custodian Trustees of the house and the Trustees of the Masters House to become the Management Trustees. Council requested that the Clerk progress the matter with Arthur Jackson Solicitors. Clerk confirmed that the legal costs for the transfer of ownership would be circa £400.00 plus VAT and disbursements. Council agreed to pay the fees with a show of hands. **Matter ongoing.**

570/25 To discuss the newly proposed village event at the Ruddle Centre
Cllr Parkes & Clerk confirmed that everything was arranged for the event.

571/25 To consider and approve any financial matters.

1. **Bank Statement**
   Members of Council all received a copy of the current bank statement. This was reconciled and approved with a show of hands.

2. **Approved Payments**
   The following payments were approved with a show of hands.

DC Hoyes - July Salary	£301.20
DC Hoyes - Additional Hours July	£71.05
DC Hoyes - August Salary	£301.20
DC Hoyes - Repayment for Albany Computers underpayment	£9.00

3. **Review of Quarter 1 Budget**
   Council reviewed the budget and approved it with a show of hands. **Matter resolved.**

572/25 To consider new correspondence received and decide what action should be taken where necessary. No correspondence received.

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573/25 To discuss matters relating to the right of access across the car park.
Clerk confirmed that access rights were continued for CDC to come and maintain the play park. Cllr Parkes reminded Council that additional access through the gates would be required when Cllr Pawson removed the broken equipment. Matter ongoing.

574/25 To discuss the status of the ACV on the Butchers Arms public house.
The Clerk supplied the following information from CDC about the current position of the ACV.

"After the six-month moratorium period on the sale of an Asset of Community Value (ACV) ends, the property owner is legally free to sell the asset to any party of their choosing, at any price agreed between the parties.
A "protected period" of 18 months begins from the date the owner first notified the council of their intention to sell. During this time, no further moratorium can be triggered, even if another community group expresses interest
This process is outlined in full in the Localism Act 2011 which I would refer you to for any further guidance as I am not a subject expert in this area. Nonetheless I hope this information is useful to you".

Council recognised that now the ACV time period had finished, the owners of the Butchers Arms could sell the public house freely without notifying the local authority. **Matter resolved.**

575/25 To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting.
Seating at the bus stop on the junction of Doncaster Road & Cockhill Field Lane.

576/25 To confirm the date of the next general meeting.
Council resolved that the next general meeting would be held on the 30th September2025, with no further business to conduct, Cllr Parkes closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

Signed: .....

Date: 30th September 2025

Cllr Parkes – Braithwell with Micklebring Parish Council