

# Bramfield Parish Council Meeting Notes

Minutes of meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Attendees:** Guy Tucker, Marietta Johnson, Cheryl Jackson, Chris Armstead, Graham Lyons, Nick Savage, Olivia Cufley

**Apologies:** Ken Cofton, Joe Thomas

**Other Attendees:** Aaron Clayton

## 1. Apologies for Absence

All councillors present.

## 2. Declarations of Interest

None

## 3. Minutes of last meeting

Signed by the vice chair with no updates

## 4. Finances

### a) Accounts

See attached sheet:

- Current Account Balance: £1,494.64
- Savings Account Balance: £7,050.20

### b) Outstanding invoices

£80.00 for the repair of the car park barrier to Salvatory Vivianni

£78.50 construction materials for the Christmas tree frame to John Wells

## 5. The Grandison

A discussion was held by the Parish Council regarding the future of the Grandison Pub and the potential for a Change of Use application to become a residential dwelling.

- Currently, the pub is largely closed during the week and has stopped offering food. Whilst there are many pubs going out of business currently, there are many successful pubs in the local area (Horns, Griffin, Tilbury) which makes a viability argument questionable.
- Aaron spoke about the pub being on the market over the last 3 years (both Freehold and Leasehold) and stated his aim that the pub remains open, but for his family to live there too.
- Aaron presented his proposal as follows:
  - From September, to reduce the space of the licensed area downstairs in the pub, closing the left side, kitchen and rear garden to be moved to part of the residential dwelling. The bar would be moved to the right side of the pub, which would remain open alongside the toilets.
  - He has also arranged for food trucks to operate throughout the summer (Tuesday confirmed, Wednesday & Friday TBC) to end August.
- The Parish council agreed that they are understanding if Aaron wishes to close the pub, however a full Change of Use application will be formally objected to.
- Chair to write to the licensing authority to understand options.

## **6. Any Other Business**

None recorded

## **7. Date of Next Meeting.**

The next parish council meeting will be held on 21/07/2026 at 19:30 in the Village Hall.