

Parish Council Meeting	
16 October 2017 at 19:30	
Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy	
Clerks	Richard Hanney
Chairman of the Meeting	Councillor Stewart Newell
Councillors	Mandy Hallisey, Denis Welstead, Ian Gordon Karen McCleery, Noel McCleery, Dorry Lawlor, Sarah White, Martin Taylor, Judith Steventon Baker.
Hampshire County Council (HCC)	Cllr Jackie Porter
Winchester City Council (WCC)	Cllr Jackie Porter
Members of the Public	1

PC/17/142- Apologies for absence	none

PC/17/143 – Public Question Time		
<p>Blocked Drains. Concern was expressed that many drains in the village had not been cleaned by HCC and were now blocked resulting in a risk of flooding.</p> <p>Cllr Gordon was aware of this issue and was undertaking a survey of which drains had not been cleaned and would be taking the matter up with HCC. The situation had become worse as grass and hedge cutting frequency had been reduced and when undertaken the cuttings were causing drain blockages.</p> <p>Cllr Newell had also attended a Flood Prevention meeting (see PC/17/148)</p> <p>Cllr Porter was aware that some drains had been cleaned recently but many had not and that the frequency of cleaning had been lengthened due to financial cuts but would contact HCC.</p>		
Action Items	Action by	Target
Raise issue of drain cleaning with HCC	Cllr Gordon	7 November

PC/17/144 – Agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 17 July 2017
<p>The minutes of the meeting were read and agreed subject to correction of spelling 'Councillor' (PC/17/127 & 133) ; fort should read for and 'report' added after Highways Officer (PC/17/133)</p>

Action Items	Action by	Target
None		

PC/17/145- Agreement of councillors' declaration forms following AGM		
Cllr Page still to complete his form – clerk to contact him as a matter of urgency		
Action Items	Action by	Target
Cllr Page to complete his declaration	Cllr Page/clerk	asap

PC/17/146 -Development off Lovedon Lane - update		
<p>The wildflower meadow had been sewn, confirmation to be obtained that HAB will maintain it for 2 years</p> <p>Benches were being installed – at the Parish Council's request some will have back rests</p> <p>Allotments – HAB hoped to hand these over in March 2018</p> <p>Running track – was completed in time for the festival run, but while building work continues it will not be available for public use</p> <p>Planning Application for large Battery installation – the Parish Council had objected to the loss of 3 parking spaces</p>		
Action Items	Action by	Target
Obtain confirmation that HAB will maintain wild flower meadow for 2 years	clerk	20 November

PC/17/147 – Top Field – update held in Closed Session		
<p>As the Council needed to discuss information that included commercially sensitive information under s.1(2)of the Public Bodies(Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 press and public were excluded from this part of the meeting.</p> <p>1 member of public left the meeting</p> <p>Following discussion a proposal was made to continue discussions with WCC with a view to proceeding to public consultation subject to caveats on access, maintenance of the remaining field and protection of the remaining field to prevent further building on it. The proposal was passed by a show of hands – 6 for the proposal 3 against the proposal.</p>		
Action Items	Action by	Target
To contact WCC to agree a date for a further meeting	Cllr Newell	21 October

PC/17/148 – Reports from County Councillors, City Councillors, School Governor and External Meetings (attended by Parish Councillors)		
HCC		
The report from Cllr Jackie Porter had been circulated (see report). Points arising from her report;		

Hampshire Highways – fault reporting system – newly introduced by Skanska – feedback appreciated

Budget Reductions – will have significant impact on services. Kings Worthy School may benefit from a separate funding review.

Consultation on Planning from DCLG - agree Cllr Gordon will review this

South Down National Park Local Plan – agree Cllr Taylor will review this

Other questions; the purpose of installing road sensors at Cart & Horses – Cllr Porter to investigate. London Road resurfacing to be undertaken on 17 October – overnight.

WCC

Cllr Porter provided information on:

New Leisure Centre development – it will include 2 pools, hydrotherapy and physiotherapy, but car parking and the escalating cost of the project need to be resolved

Station Approach – architects have been appointed

WCC Staffing review is being undertaken as a new project management structure is introduced

Affordable housing – first 300 houses provided but 300 more are required.

School Governor

The school was short of governors. Pupil places are over-subscribed. The school performance is consistently above the national average. Car Parking is a major and increasing problem. Bids are being accepted by HCC for the purchase of The Grove with a view to house building.

External Meetings.

Flooding Exhibition, Cllr Newell expressed his disappointment at the lack of senior HCC representation and of the overall presentation. He agreed to provide feedback to HCC

Festival Committee – expressed thanks for Parish Council support

Cllr Gordon had gone on the WCC Planning Dept. The tour visited developments at Swanmore, Bishops Waltham, Pitt Manor and Kings Barton and Little Barton Farm.

Action Items	Action by	Target
Provide feedback on Flooding exhibition Review Planning consultation from DCLG Review South Downs National Park Local Plan	Cllr Newell Cllr Gordon Cllr Taylor	Asap

PC/17/149- Matters arising from the meeting held on 18 September 2017

PC/17/136 - Lone Worker policy adopted PC/17/136 – Insurance renewal completed for 3 year term PC/17/136 – Term Deposit renewed		
Action Items	Action by	Target
none		

PC/17/150 - Receive the minutes of the committees

Planning & Highways -

Lindisfarne - the enforcement officer had acted promptly on Cllr Gordon's report of its demolition. The property now being rebuilt will still consist of 2 units

Recreation & Amenities -

- a) Hinton House Drive - rights of way; we will be invited to attend a meeting if the owner organises it
- b) Tree Inspection. The quote of £7500 from a new inspector was considerably higher than he had initially indicated, we are going back to our previous inspectors to get quotes from them
- c) Skate Ledge Initial quote £15000, second (informal) quote £11500 we are requesting this in writing, and additional quote has been requested from third provider.
- d) Pump Track- the outcome of the consultation at the Festival has raised serious doubts about the amount of use the track might get and its value for money. The teenagers were more enthusiastic about the skate ledge and similar facilities. We may talk to StreetReach to get more idea of what we should provide and how to engage with teenagers without raising expectations. The construction of a mud based track or one with a cheaper material than concrete might be considered.

Finance

- a) Worthys Youth FC have promised information to enable us to invoice them for pitch use.
- b) We are inviting 2 companies to demonstrate new accounting packages that will provide greater efficiency in the production of financial reports
- c) While expenditure was higher than budget in September due to the payment of our insurance premium our year to date position is £2300 better than budget
- d) Grant applications proposed:
 - Kings Worthy Christmas Fund £100 - this grant was agreed
 - Kings Worthy Primary School - Tree replacement £400 (against production of invoices)
 - This grant was agreed
- e) It was proposed to place an additional £10,000 on 90 day notice - this was agreed

Action Items	Action by	Target
Review accounting packages	Finance Committee	asap
Pay grant applications Increase sum on 90 day notice account	clerk	End of month

PC/17/151 Neighbourhood Plan

Following a meeting attended by Cllrs Gordon, Newell, Taylor and both clerks it was thought that we should consider writing a Neighbourhood Plan which should give the Council greater power to control planning in the future. It was suggested that we might contact Allison Skillen for help (including financial support). It was agreed to give this more discussion at the next Parish Meeting.

Action Items	Action by	Target
Action – prepare paper for next Parish Meeting.	Cllr Gordon	20 Nov

PC/17/152- Communications (inc. Website, Facebook, Newsletter & Monthly Comms)

The next Monthly Communication to be written, editorial might include the Litter Pick

Action Items	Action by	Target
Prepare Monthly Communication	Cllrs SW MP NM	November

PC/17/153 - Clerk's Notices

none

Action Items	Action by	Target

PC/17/154- Chairman's Notices

Cllr Taylor wished to assure all councillors that while the Focus Newsletter included his position as a Parish Councillor he has always, and will always, act in a non-party political manner.

Christmas celebration. It was agreed to hold this on Monday 18 December. Catering, invitations and other arrangements to be discussed at the next meeting

Action Items	Action by	Target
Agree Christmas celebration	Parish Council	20 November

PC/17/154- Items for next meeting - 20 November 2017

Stagecoach have agreed to be present
Neighbourhood Plan
Christmas celebration
Invite Paul Bradish

Meeting Closed: 21.40

Signed:		Date:	
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County Report for Parishes, October 2017

There is a consultation from DCLG on Housing. Called Planning for the Right Homes in the Right Places, it will almost certainly be something your Parish might like to respond to. Deadline 11.45pm on the 9th November
<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/planning-for-the-right-homes-in-the-right-places-consultation-proposals>

A Flooding exhibition is being held on the 6th October for Littleton and the Worthys. I hope to have the boards available the week afterwards online and for exhibition.

Autumn brings many planning applications, and the South Downs National Park Local Plan is out for consultation until the 21st November. Please look at it even if you are not in SDNP- it may have implications for your parish. Go to www.southdowns.gov.uk The consultation link is on the front page.

Massive tree removal is due to take place at Abbotstone this winter. I have more details if you require them and expect the work to take place in January. This is being done to satisfy a stewardship scheme which has just 3 years left to run. The work was supposed to be done gradually, but left until now.

Tt2019 is the Headline for the Budget reductions at HCC. The total reduction is £140m. To date: Environment, Transport & Economy: £19.05, Countryside, Culture & Services (incl Libraries) £6.3m
 Children’s Services: £30.1m, Adult Services £59m
 You will be kept abreast of cuts to services that will affect the public as each item goes to ‘consultation’. Personally, I believe that the effects of the cuts are showing already: I am seeing decisions being made whatever the consultation responses, and answers to simple queries seem to take even longer as officers’ posts cover a wider range of responsibility.

The Cart and Horses junction decision day result can be seen in this paper:
<http://democracy.hants.gov.uk/documents/g438/Public%20reports%20pack%2019th-Sep-2017%2014.30%20Executive%20Member%20for%20Environment%20and%20Transport%20Decision%20Da.pdf?T=10>

Or you can search Decision Day for Environment and Transport on www.hants.gov.uk for the 19th September 2017. The decision was taken not to enforce the ‘no right turn’ or ‘no U-turn’ at this time, but to go forward with a 40mph limit and some street lighting (subject to consultation), install CCTV to watch activity there, make the consideration of a STOP line on the west-side road and a feeder lane for traffic going north from the west. I await progress with interest.

On the 3rd October I visited the Skanska depot (the one at Bishop’s Waltham) to meet Matthew Riches, the Business Manager at Skanska, the new partner of HCC. Email: matthew.riches@skanska.co.uk

The new service is being branded ‘Hampshire Highways’ and is trying to go digital, including the reporting of potholes etc. I queried how this can be done more easily for faults on rural roads where the position cannot be made clear enough... So, this may not work but... To log faults on this system, record the fault on your camera. That will provide the system with site information from your camera, so they know where the fault is. I also asked why they cannot be much faster and pro-active about hedges and trees- and will await the full reply with interest.

To log your road /footway/hedge problems, please go to www.hants.gov.uk/roads and follow the prompts. I think the new website is much clearer now it is complete- do you agree?

I will be sending out a separate **briefing on school funding** following new NFF announcement, next week.

Cllr Jackie Porter, Jackie@jackieporter.co.uk, tel: 01962 791054, text 07973 696 085

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Kings Worthy Parish Council

Management Accounts for the period ended 30th September 2017

2016/17 Actual (Full Year) (£)	Current Month Budget (£)	Current Month Actual (£)	Current Month Variance (£)	Income Item/Description	2017/2018 Budget ytd (£)	Actual ytd (£)	Variance ytd (£)	2017/2018 Budget (£)	Forecast Outturn (£)	2018/19 Budget (£)
157,226	10,897	10,634	-263	Finance (inc. Precept)	84,407	89,333	4,926	145,216	0	0
5,809	183	183	0	THMC Income	1,098	1,098	0	2,196	0	0
5,722	525	0	-525	Recreation & Amenities	4,195	3,062	-1,133	8,704	0	0
0	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	0	0	0	0	0	0
168,757	11,605	10,817	-788	Total Income	89,700	93,493	3,793	156,116	0	0
				<u>Expenditure Item/Description</u>						
72,167	4,773	8,596	-3,824	Finance	37,538	37,353	185	71,437	0	0
77,454	4,522	3,887	635	Recreation & Amenities	35,938	37,517	-1,580	71,154	0	0
5,644	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	0	0	0	14,200	0	0
155,266	9,295	12,483	-3,189	Total Expenses	73,475	74,870	-1,395	156,791	0	0
168,757	11,605	10,817	-788	Total Income	89,700	93,493	3,793	156,116	0	0
155,266	9,295	12,483	-3,189	Total Expenses	73,475	74,870	-1,395	156,791	0	0
13,491	2,311	-1,667	-3,977	Net surplus (deficit)	16,225	18,623	2,398	-675	0	0
				<u>Memorandum</u>						
-23,249	2,311	-1,667	-3,977	Net surplus (deficit) exc. CIL receipts	-6,613	-4,234	2,379	-23,513	0	0