

Parish Council Meeting

18 September 2017 at 19:30

Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy

Clerks	Richard Hanney & Christopher Read
Chairman of the Meeting	Councillor Stewart Newell
Councillors	Mandy Hallisey, Denis Welstead, Ian Gordon Karen McCleery, Noel McCleery,
Hampshire County Council (HCC)	No one present
Winchester City Council (WCC)	No one present
Members of the Public	3

PC/17/125 – Apologies for absence

Sarah White, Martin Taylor, Les Haswell, Dorry Lawlor and Matthew Page,

PC/17/126 - The Spring bus service (Mr Robinson of Stagecoach)

A further apology received for absence from Mr Robinson (PC/17/110)

Action Items	Action by	Target
None.		

PC/17/127 – Public Question Time

Garage Rents. A question was raised asking if the Parish Council knew of any reason why the cost of renting garages from Winchester City Council was higher for some parishioners. The council suggested that the question should be referred to Richard Botham at Winchester City Council. If a satisfactory response was not forthcoming the Parish Council would be pleased to take the matter up.

Traffic policing. Concern was expressed at the lack of policing on local roads due to cut backs in police numbers and the consequential increase in dangerous driving. The Parish Council had raised its concerns about the reduction in police officers in the Parish with the local Police Commissioner, Senior Officers and our County Counsellor. The point was raised that road safety was being sacrificed as a cost saving measure. Our Neighbourhood Watch representative was aware that the police were advertising for volunteers to support them.

Action Items	Action by	Target
None		

PC/17/128- Agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 17 July 2017		
The minutes of the meeting were read and agreed		
Action Items	Action by	Target
None.		

PC/17/129 – Agreement of councillors’ declaration forms following AGM		
Cllr Page is still to complete his form		
Action Items	Action by	Target
Cllr Page to complete declaration form	Cllr Page	16 Oct

PC/17/130 – Development OFF Lovedon Lane - update		
All properties now sold. The running track will be used for the fun run on 23 September but will then close until the development has been completed.		
Action Items	Action by	Target
None.		

PC/17/131 – Development at Top Field - update		
Winchester City Council have invited the Parish Council to meet again to discuss development but have been asked to clarify what development is being proposed.		
Action Items	Action by	Target
none		

PC/17/132 – Hinton House Drive		
A meeting had been held with the owner and minor proposals discussed to prevent unlawful access of the public over parts of his verges. Meeting with Rights of Way officer and the owner is planned to clarify the rights of way as one designated by a signpost is inaccessible.		
Action Items	Action by	Target
Attend meeting with Rights or way and owner of Hinton House	R&A	When meeting is agreed

PC/17/133 – Reports from County Councillors, City Councillors, School Governor and External Meetings (attended by Parish Councillors)

The report from Cllr Jackie Porter was read out to the meeting. See report attached. Additional information had been received regarding proposed improvements to the Cart and Horses junction to include CCTV cameras, lighting and enforcement of the speed limit. Cllr Porter had expressed her disappointment that there were no plans to change the junction layout but was supporting the proposal.

A member of public left

External Meetings.

Cllr Gordon had attended Winchester City Council planning meeting to support 2 objections – both over-ruled. He expressed his disappointment that the Highways Officer contained inaccuracies and for the lack of support from our City Councillor.

Cllr Gordon had also attended an educational meeting on current planning policy which recommended the development of Neighbourhood Plans.

Cllr Welstead and 2 other councillors had attended the Thanksgiving Service with the Bishop of Winchester

Action Items	Action by	Target
Consider attending the Countryside Access Forum	R&A	n/a
To attend Neighbourhoods Plan seminar	Cllr IG, MT and clerk	5 Oct

PC/17/134– Matters arising from the meeting held on 17 July 2017

PC/17/111 – Details of the presentation given by Winchester City Council Housing Officers had been included in our newsletter.

PC/17/120 – Speedwatch correspondence had been completed

PC/17/121- Communications – Newsletter had been completed and circulated as planned

A member of public left the meeting

Action Items	Action by	Target
none		

PC/17/135– Members Allowances

A discussion on whether to allow members a financial allowance. It was unanimously agreed not to provide allowances.

Planning & Highways – the minutes of meetings held on 25 July and 29 August had been circulated. Concerns had been raised about the junction of Mill Lane and B3047 and these had increased following HCC’s removal of a mirror (for a safety violation reason) and the latest proposal for additional development at Mill Lane Farm. A letter had been sent to HCC Highways Officer (R Humby) expressing Parish Council anxieties.

Recreation & Amenities – the minutes of the meeting held on 7 September had been circulated.

- a) It had been agreed with the owner of Hinton House to plant low cost hedging and extend a small length of wire fencing to close unauthorised public access spots.
- b) Land Swap at Hinton Cottage – a proposal had been considered in order to widen a footpath but this had not been passed by that committee
- c) Rights of Way at Top field – reports had been submitted from users of footpaths to HCC.
- d) Skate Ledge – a second quote had been obtained (£11500) but a third company had declined to quote as the project was too small. The matter was deferred to the next meeting.
- e) Festival Run – it had been agreed to install an extra gate in the fence by the lower football pitch and to lay bark to remove a trip hazard between the football pitches.
- f) Grounds Contract. A schedule had been agreed to for the process of re-tendering in order. A recommendation will be considered at the meeting of the full council in January 2018.
- g) The Village litter pick will be held on 28 October
- h) An appropriate allotment/grounds maintenance course was still to be attended once available.

Finance

- a) Insurance. It was proposed to accept insurance provided by Inspire/AXA on a 3 year term. The proposal was passed by unanimous vote
- b) Renewal of fixed term deposit. It was proposed to reinvest £35,000 for a further year with Hampshire Bank at 1.3%. The proposal was passed by a unanimous vote.
- c) The committee had agreed to consider placing surplus funds on call deposit.
- d) Lone Worker policy. As part of our insurance requirements a policy had been drawn up and it was proposed to adopt the policy. The proposal was passed by a unanimous vote.
- e) The current overspend of £2416 is less than planned.

A member of the public left the meeting

Action Items	Action by	Target
Consider Skate Ledge proposal	Parish Council	16 Oct
Accept insurance quote		
Renew term deposit	clerk	asap
Adopt lone worker policy		

PC/17/137 – Communications (inc. Website, Facebook, Newsletter & Monthly Comms)

The summer newsletter had been printed and distributed. It was agreed to defer the next newsletter to November.

Action Items	Action by	Target
none		

PC/17/138 – Clerk’s Notices

A list of training courses had been received.

Action Items	Action by	Target
To circulate list of courses	Clerk	asap

PC/17/139– Chairman’s Notices

none

Action Items	Action by	Target

PC/17/140 – Any other Business

- a) Maintenance of land at Burnets Close – Cllr Gordon had written to Hyde Homes and Drew Smith regarding their failure to maintain open spaces.
- b) 54 Springvale Road – failure to maintain hedge. Cllr Gordon will write to HCC regarding enforcement of cutting/ keeping footpaths clear.
- c) Tesco parking issues. Cllr Gordon to write to Tesco regarding blocking of drain and disabled parking bay, poor condition of car park surface and problems caused by their delivery vehicles.

Action items	Action by	Target
Letters to HCC and Tesco	Cllr Gordon	asap

PC/17/141– Items for next meeting – 18 September 2017

Stagecoach to be invited to next meeting

Meeting Closed: 08.50

Signed:		Date:	
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County Council Report for Parishes September 2017

County Matters:

Budgets are being presented for the different departments in the next two months - the austerity measures and cuts imposed by central Government on local authorities mean that this will continue to reduce services to those which are statutory only. Many departments are being registered charities (eg: sport, arts and culture(museums) and this trend seems to be continuing. The county is also working for other authorities: this can put pressure on staff as they cover a wider role. Please let me know if responses take longer than you'd expect: I may know another person to chase up the query.

Road maintenance: one victim of 'austerity measures' seems to be the new road maintenance contract. Skanska are the new contractors as of August, and to achieve the cost savings, the new times for repair are now up to 2 months for 'minor repairs' and up to 6 months for those which are less serious (eg flooding drains). (these longer deadlines replace shorter deadlines with the previous contractor).

So, please report any problems promptly and take up the offer of a regular session with Ray Gardner, your Highway Engineer to look at your parish, and use me to elevate persistent or expensive problems. I carry out a 'drive round' with Ray every three months, usually based on a theme, but your local one can be much more specific. His email is Raymond.gardner@hants.gov.uk.

School places are becoming ever more limited- and development is creating more pressure. Please consider this seriously in any response to planning applications, because CIL can be allocated to school place planning if necessary. I can provide local school positions if necessary. The deadline for a new H/T applications for Kings Barton Academy (primary) is 29th September, to set up the new school.

The County's consultation on **Respite Care for Disabled children** continues this month. Please encourage Residents to have their say: it isn't a 'done deal' at all. You may have family members who are affected by this in other areas of the country: please let me know any lessons they have learned too.

Boomtown traffic disruption was serious again this year, more so on Thursday than the Monday this time.

A licence for 15,000 on each of the three days for the Motocross in Sept/Oct has been granted.

I hear little from Residents about disruption from Car Fest. I would be interested to compare the traffic management arrangements and local feedback with you. I hasten to add that complaints are far outweighed by compliments, but that is no reason not to try to reduce congestion and disruption to residents. The Wash Up 'Drop In' on the 12th September is at 6.30pm at ARC, Alresford.

Elderly Care: HCC is leading the country in a new service 'Amazon Echo', designed to help people stay in their own homes.

The **Countryside Access Forum** is hosted by HCC and has representatives of varying interests. It meets regularly (4 times per year) during the day and looks at new paths, maintenance, strategic plan for Hampshire owned countryside etc. Meetings are public and cover a wide range of issues. As Parishes, you may be interested in going to speak to the Forum. It is a useful way to communicate concerns or ideas. I understand they are looking for new members (for a 3 year term)

If you would like to know more, please contact Petronella Natrass at HCC.

Kings Worthy Parish Council

Management Accounts for the period ended 31 August 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	10,134	9,834	-300	Finance (inc. Precept)	73,510	78,699	5,189	145,216	0	0
5,809	183	183	0	THMC Income	915	915	0	2,196	0	0
5,722	525	1,150	625	Recreation & Amenities	3,670	3,062	-608	8,704	0	0
0	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	0	0	0	0	0	0
168,757	10,842	11,166	324	Total Income	78,095	82,676	4,581	156,116	0	0
				Expenditure Item/Description						
72,167	8,204	4,009	4,195	Finance	32,585	28,605	3,980	71,437	0	0
77,454	4,555	5,206	-651	Recreation & Amenities	29,615	33,630	-4,015	71,154	0	0
5,644	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	0	0	0	14,200	0	0
155,266	12,758	9,215	3,544	Total Expenses	62,201	62,235	-35	156,791	0	0
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155,266	12,758	9,215	3,544	Total Expenses	62,201	62,235	-35	156,791	0	0
13,491	-1,917	1,951	3,868	Net surplus (deficit)	15,894	20,441	4,547	-675	0	0
				Memorandum						
-23,249	-1,917	1,951	3,868	Net surplus (deficit) exc. CIL receipts	-6,944	-2,416	4,528	-23,513	0	0