

Kings Worthy Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 20th March 2017 at the Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy

Present:	Chair of the meeting:	Stewart Newell
Councillors:	Bob Barnes, Ian Gordon, Mandy Hallisey, Les Haswell, Dorry Hudson, Noel McCleery, Judith Steventon Baker, Martin Taylor and Sarah White.	
Hampshire County Council (HCC):	None	
Winchester City Council WCC):	Malcolm Prince	
Clerk:	Adrian Reeves	
Public:	4	

Action

PC/17/36 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Karen McCleery and Denis Welstead. Apologies were also received from HCC Cllr Jackie Porter and WCC Cllr Jane Rutter. Cllr Gordon had submitted apologies that he would be arriving late after representing the Parish Council at a school governors' meeting.

PC/17/37 Public Question Time

It was reported that the Inspector's report on the village green application was recommending rejection. This is being put to the HCC's Regulatory Committee meeting on 22 March, at which Top Field Action Group are hoping to overturn the Inspector's recommendation.

PC/17/38 Presentation by a representative of Winchester Youth Counselling

Jill Guppy gave a presentation on the work of Winchester Youth Counselling and the increasing demand on the services provided which include individual counselling, a

"De-stress, Relax & Chill Service" and Walk & Talk Therapy. 5 or 6 people from Kings Worthy have used these services in the past year. Each person receives 12 sessions of counselling costing about £3,200 over a year.

Jill Guppy was thanked for her presentation.

PC/17/39 Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th February 2017

The minutes of the Parish Council (PC) meeting held on 20th February 2017 were amended at PC/17/35 to read "20th March"; the minutes were then agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Cllr Newell thanked Cllr Taylor for deputising during his absence.

PC/17/40 Development at Top Field – update

Nothing to add to PC/17/37 above.

PC/17/41 Development off Lovedon Lane – update

Councillors have been invited to the official opening on 20th April, with Kevin McCloud (HAB) and Graham Le Saux (Fields in Trust) attending. The allotments are to be handed over in the autumn, together with the children's play and the wildflower areas. The circular path is to be opened in the autumn and will initially be fenced off from the meadow to allow that to establish. Final handover is now anticipated to be September 2019.

Cllrs

The Clerks are checking the covenants on the existing park.

Clerks

PC/17/42 Reports from the County Councillor, City Councillor, School Governor and Parish Councillors following external meetings

- **County Councillor**

The report for March, attached below, had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Newell, in Cllr Porter's absence, ran through the main items mentioned.

A report on the Cart & Horses junction is being considered at the Decision Day on March 23rd @ 14.00. Options being considered are:

- a) Reduce the speed limit from 50 to 40 mph.
- b) Banning u-turns for vehicles heading north
- c) Banning right turns from London Road toward junction 9 of M3

Councillors were in favour of a and b but against c on the grounds that there were no suitable other places for vehicles to turn anywhere near this junction; a roundabout is wanted.

Junction 9 (M3) improvements are not included in the current round of Highways England funding.

- **City Councillors**

Cllr Prince gave a verbal report, the main items of which are reported below.

Central Winchester regeneration meeting on 24th @ 13.45; councillors are welcome to attend.

There has been agreement on and funding for a pilot project for the tenanted flats in Kings Worthy to provide storage for buggies, cycles and children's play equipment. New fencing, seats and tables are also to be provided starting with Fraser Road, Somerville Road, Pound Road and Mountbatten Place; there will be no additional charges to tenants for these additional facilities.

River Park Leisure Centre – decisions need to be made as to where the new centre will be built and as to how long the existing centre is kept going.

- **School Governor**

This item was deferred for Cllr Gordon's arrival.

- **Parish Councillors following external meetings**

PC/17/43 Matters arising from the Meeting of the 20th February 2017**PC/17/25 Wild flower planting at entrance to South Downs National Park**

Turf was removed from the site on 19th March, with the spoils being put on Mr. Gray's farm with his approval. Seeding will take place in a couple of weeks.

Cllr Taylor stated that he felt that the South Downs National Park Authority should make an exception and provide a sign for this site.

The Clerk is to ask HCC not to cut the grass on the planted area.

Clerk

Cllr Porter has not yet responded on her efforts to have the licence fee of £118 refunded.

**Cllr
Porter****PC/17/26 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)**

Kings Worthy Football Club have offered the proceeds of their forthcoming charity football match on Easter Sunday (12-2 Eversley Park) towards this; this is on top of the £200 previously promised by Joedan (Wessex Windows). Work is progressing on arranging appropriate permissions and power supplies.

PC/17/26 Parish Lengthsman Scheme

Cllr Newell is to write to HCC to chase up progress on this.

**Cllr
Newell**

(Cllr Prince and 1 member of the public left the meeting)

PC/17/44 To receive Minutes of the Committees:**Planning & Highways Committee (P&H)**

The minutes of the meetings on 28th February had been previously circulated.

Cllr Steventon Baker highlighted the following:

- Road Safety Issues in Hookpit Farm Lane / Burnett Close – HCC have stated that they will not normally consider a speed survey in this section of the road. P&H are to contact HCC to ask permission to place our speed limit reminder sign at this location to record the information ourselves.
- Speedwatch – The Clerk reported on his discussions with Cllr Gordon whereby a written proposal, complete with named volunteers, is prepared and agreed before any of the budget is committed.
- Fraser Road – Cllrs Gordon & Haswell and the Assistant Clerk met with Neville Crisp (HCC) to discuss the parking situation on Fraser Road and specifically to investigate the provision of double yellow lines where parking is causing danger or obstruction. This was agreed for inclusion in HCC's 2018-19 budget.

**Cllr
Gordon****Recreation & Amenities Committee (R&A)**

The minutes of the meeting on 14th March had been previously circulated.

The following points were highlighted:

- Posts on Broadview – The Assistant Clerk will be measuring and photographing the site.
- Tree works on Broadview have progressed well.

Clerk

- The fencing work at Broadview is awaiting a further supply of concrete posts. Creative Fencing will be asked about the one post which seems to be out of alignment with the others.
- Consultation on a skate park is being arranged to involve local youth, Maverick Industries, HAB and any other interested parties.
- The next parish litter pick is on Saturday 22nd April at 2 p.m.; meet at Tubbs Hall.

**Cllr
White**
Cllrs

Finance, Administration & Remuneration Committee (FAR)

The minutes of the meeting on 15th March 2017 had been previously circulated.

Cllr Taylor highlighted the following points:

- A new office computer has been purchased as a consequence of the failure of the previous one.
- An official seal for documents is to be purchased.

(The remaining 3 members of the public left the meeting)

- The Clerk is to write to HMRC to confirm whether or not, in the light of current levels, VAT registration is now required.
- The Clerk highlighted the requirements of the data protection legislation.
- A grant of £500 was agreed for Winchester Youth Counselling.
- Cllr Taylor reported on the management reports to the end of February, copy attached.

Clerk
Clerk

PC/17/45 Risk Register

The risk register (dated March 2017) was considered, proposed for adoption By Cllr Newell, seconded by Cllr Taylor and formally agreed and approved (nem con) by councillors.

PC/17/46 Standing Orders

The standing orders (dated February 2017) were considered, proposed for adoption By Cllr Newell, seconded by Cllr White and formally agreed and approved (nem con) by councillors.

(Cllr Gordon arrived)

PC/17/47 Communications Group Membership

It was agreed that Cllr Newell would draw up a new rota to take effect after the April production; next comms in May and the newsletter at the end of August.

**Cllr
Newell**

PC/17/48 Stagecoach – The Spring Bus Service

Cllr Taylor has written to Martin Gibbon at Stagecoach about the poor service on this bus route; a reply is awaited. Cllr Steventon Baker wished it to be minuted that she had not had any problems with this.

PC/17/49 Parish Plan / Neighbourhood Plan

Cllrs Gordon and K. McCleery are looking at reviewing the Village Design Statement; it was agreed to leave this to the autumn. It was reported that Steve Opacic (WCC) has said that the Village Design Statement is not need as it had been incorporated into Local Plan Part 2.

The Assistant clerk is to send Cllr White the land area data so that this can be incorporated into her written report.	Asst. Clerk
PC/17/50 Village Agent	
No further action required and this can be removed from future agendas.	Clerk
PC/17/51 School Governor's Report	
Claire Welland has been appointed as the new Chair of Governors. The school has received a good OFSTED report and is now using the space vacated by the Children's Centre.	
PC/17/52 Communications [incl. Website / Facebook / Newsletter / Monthly Comms. etc.]	
See PC/17/47 above.	
PC/17/53 Clerk's Notices	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parish Council Forum – Cllr Gordon is attending on 6th April, Guildhall @ 18.00. ○ Festival – It was agreed to reserve the football pitches at Eversley Park for the Festival 23/24 September. ○ Unveiling of History Board on London Road – photograph is in the Hampshire Chronicle. It was agreed to fund a further history board at the bottom of Mill Lane in Abbots Worthy. The Clerk is to arrange for the Worthys Local History Group to design a draft panel. ○ Letters of thanks have been received from Victim Care and the Citizens Advice Bureau for the grants they were given; £200 and £800 respectively. ○ Juliette Green's email re parking on Springvale road is to be circulated to councillors. 	Clerk
PC/17/54 Chairman's Notices	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Chairman reported that Cllr Barnes had submitted his resignation from the council with effect from the end of the meeting. The Chairman thanked Bob for his service to the Parish Council. All councillors thanked and gave Bob a round of applause. ○ The Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for Monday 15th May. Councillors were asked to submit ideas for a speaker to Cllr Newell. It was agreed to ask HAB to give a presentation on what they are providing in the park; Cllr Newell to write. 	Cllrs Cllr Newell
(Cllr Hallisey left the meeting for this item)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clerk's Vacancy – Cllrs Newell, Gordon, Taylor and White had met to consider action required as a result of the Clerk's retirement at the end of July. It was agreed (nem con) to advertise for a replacement part-time Clerk and to hold future discussions about staffing arrangements in the long term. ○ Pimms Stall at the Fete – Volunteers were needed to staff the stall at the Fete on the last Monday in May. Cllr White undertook to co-ordinate this. Cllr Noel McCleery volunteered to organise arrangements for the Festival on 16th. September. 	Cllr Newell
PC/17/55 Items for discussion at the Next Meeting	

Stagecoach – The Spring bus service.

PC/17/56 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 24th April 2017.

The meeting closed at 22:13.

Signed..... Date.....

Kings Worthy Parish Council

Management Accounts for the period ended 28 February 2017

2015/16 Actual (Full Year) (£)	Current Month Budget (£)	Current Month Actual (£)	Current Month Variance (£)	Income Item/Description	2016/2017 Budget ytd (£)	Actual ytd (£)	Variance ytd (£)	2016/2017 Budget (£)	2017/18 Budget (£)
121,973	9,857	9,909	52	Finance (inc. Precept)	109,365	147,280	37,916	119,221	145,216
4,808	400	183	-217	THMC Income	4,400	5,626	1,226	4,800	2,196
21,287	375	678	303	Recreation & Amenities	6,554	5,508	-1,046	8,092	8,704
0	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	0	0	0	0	0
148,068	10,632	10,770	138	Total Income	120,319	158,414	38,096	132,113	156,116
				Expenditure Item/Description					
69,160	4,407	5,987	-1,580	Finance	59,958	65,519	-5,561	66,940	71,437
89,539	5,652	3,561	2,091	Recreation & Amenities	66,697	62,192	4,505	93,665	70,589
5,927	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	5,125	2,632	2,493	8,750	14,200
164,626	10,059	9,548	511	Total Expenses	131,780	130,343	1,437	169,355	156,226
148,068	10,632	10,770	138	Total Income	120,319	158,414	38,096	132,113	156,116
164,626	10,059	9,548	511	Total Expenses	131,780	130,343	1,437	169,355	156,226
-16,558	573	1,222	649	Net surplus (deficit)	-11,461	28,071	39,533	-37,241	-110
				<u>Memorandum</u>					
				Net surplus (deficit) exc. CIL receipts	-11,461	-8,669	2,792	-37,241	-22,948
-16,558	573	1,222	-374						

Bank Reconciliation as at

28 February 2017

Bank:	NatWest Current a/c	£0.00
	NatWest Deposit a/c	£0.00
	Co-Operative Bank Fixed Term Deposit	£0.00
	Unity Trust Current 20369336	£10,260.04
	Unity Trust Tailored Deposit 20369349	£85,265.04
	Hampshire Trust Bank variable	£21,000.00
	Hampshire Trust Bank 12 month	£35,000.00
	Bread4Business **** * 2261	£5.36
	Bread4Business **** * 1588	<u>£151.67</u>
		£151,682.11

Less u/p cheques and D/Ds:

DVLA	<u>£2.50</u>	£2.50
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Add u/p credits:

	<u>£0.00</u>	£0.00
		<u>£151,679.61</u>

Current account as per Unity Trust Bank	£10,260.04
Less: unprocessed payments	£2.50
Add: unpresented credits	
Balance as per ledger	<u>£10,257.54</u>

County Report to Parishes: March 2017

How quickly has this monthly report has come round after the short month of February!

Following up issues for the whole division:

I recently asked about **the progress of Junction 9 works.**

This was the answer from the Director of ETE (economy, transport, environment)

Result of M3 Junction 9 query, Director's reply:-

Stuart Jarvis replied:

The Junction 9 Scheme for the M3 is being developed by Highways England (HE) and is not a Hampshire County Council scheme but we are keen supporters for all the reasons you have stated.

*My team have recently spoken to Highways England and so I can update you on some headlines. The project is currently in an **optioneering** stage of development. This means that a very long list of potential solutions is being looked at. The indicative costs, benefits and deliverability issues of each of these options is assessed at this stage. Once these issues are a little better understood, which is expected to be in the next few months, HE will then take the project through their business case process. This will determine if HE want to take forward a scheme or a few options to the next stage of design. Should this happen then I am advised that HE would be thinking of consulting stakeholders and that this might be in the Summer.*

I asked for instructions **how we should drive through the A33/Cart and Horses/B3047 junction.** This was the reply from the Exec Member for ETE

Cllr Rob Humby replied:

I am aware that the new junction layout has generated considerable discussion locally, and I have therefore asked officers to bring a report to my March Decision Day to provide an interim review of the scheme. The report will also include the latest speed surveys on the A33, which again I know has been a concern locally. The report will be available on-line in advance of my Decision Day.

I have sought advice from the traffic engineers and this is their view:

"With regard to how motorists should use the junction, a motorists driving southbound on the A33 wishing to turn right onto London Road to travel towards Winchester should give way to a vehicle already within the junction, and moving to turn right onto the A33 i.e., they should wait at the give-way markings and not block the passage of that vehicle. They will also give way to northbound (Basingstoke) traffic on the A33. A motorist travelling from Winchester on London Road arriving at the junction would give way to all traffic in the normal way i.e., they should not move into the junction area if opposing traffic is approaching".

Councillors are offered the opportunity to ask formal questions at each County Council Meeting.

I ask questions at every meeting- often more than one- to seek clarification or highlight specific issues for further scrutiny.

- On 16th Feb 2017, I asked for a reason why **the current waiting time for the claims for Public footpaths is now estimated at 8 years plus.** You can see the Exec Member's reply on hants.gov.uk TV. The link is as follows. http://hants.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/271197
The good news is that he agrees there is a problem and will look at it.

- On 24th Nov 2016, I asked about the County's responsibility to deal with the crisis of Parking at Micheldever Station: - you can also see this question and response, plus supplementary question. http://hants.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/254333

Gypsy and Traveller update. The number of pitches and sites was agreed by the Inspector. The consultation on choice of sites has now been delayed. It will only take place after the May elections.

I am involved in an investigation of **Southern Health on the grounds of safeguarding/ financial governance.** (The use of credit cards belonging to patients who do not have the mental capacity to make judgements about who is entitled to the security details for that card). If you have any similar evidence, please let me know.

Traffic management measures are being offered to parishes so they can contribute to the cost but how much will they be? Wiltshire has a great page on their website- do you think Hampshire should do the same? Wiltshire website:

Our officer's reply:-

Police staffing for this area:

New Sergeant: Sgt.Bethan Wood, contact:Bethan.wood@hampshire.pnn.police.uk or tel:
PC's:

National Funding Formula for Schools- although as at present in 17-18, National Fair Funding Formula is in place for Sept 2018 onwards. This will result in gains and losses. Projected losses are:-

Itchen Abbas -£9K

Micheldever -£11K

Cheriton -£9K

Kings Worthy stands to gain by £77K, larger primary and secondary schools gain too.

This new formula heralds the demise of small schools, but frankly, the amount they save the tax payer in transport, school places and commitment is minimal compared to the cost of running costs.

Council Tax

Went up by 3% for social care (max :2yrsx3% or 3yrs x2%), 1.99% for general funds. Total increase 4.99%

Health Service Sustainability and Transformation Plans: no progress

Operation Resilience operating in this area:

Some number of roads are on this plan may have been done relatively recently? I am investigating the list for 17-18:-

Drove Lane, Avington Park Lane, Avington Road, East Lane,	Ovington Park Lane Lovington Lane <u>Weston Lane –Northbrook to Sloe Lane,</u> Weston Down Road
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Superfast broadband: still missing communities, Gigabeam is picking up the slack, eg at Itchen Stoke, Ovington. Still no plans from BT to address the needs of these communities.

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