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Portable Defibrillator Devices

Cardiac Arrests can happen at any time and in any place. There is only a 6% chance of survival for cardiac arrest victims if the arrest occurs outside of a hospital.

- Without treatment 90-95% of sudden cardiac arrest victims will die.
- In the UK there are 30,000 arrests per year.
- 12 people under the age of 35 die every week due to sudden cardiac arrest.

These are disturbing statistics; however if a defibrillator and effective cardio-pulmonary resuscitation is used within 3-5 minutes, then survival chances increase nearly 300%.

Kings Worthy Parish Council is to install four Portable Defibrillator Devices around the village so that they are available if needed for someone in trouble. The devices, which will be held in secure boxes, are to be located outside;

- The Worthies Sports and Social Club in Loader Close
- Tesco's on Springvale Road
- The Cart and Horses pub on London Road
- Tubbs Hall on Fraser Road

There are clear instructions printed on the boxes indicating how to access the equipment inside and automated voice activated instructions on how to use it. It is hoped these will provide a valuable and life-saving service for many years to come. Generous donations to help fund the defibrillators have come from the **Big Lottery Fund**, **Kings Worthy FC** and **Wessex Home Improvements**.

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Historical Note

Kings Worthy Parishioners who drive along Springvale Road will be well aware of the many small housing developments which are taking place, often causing delays and traffic chaos!

You may be interested to know that the area being developed at the junction of Forbes Road and Springvale Rd by Imperial Homes, who have upgraded a pair of semi-detached cottages and built four new dwellings, is historically quite important to the village of Kings Worthy. The original cottages were called "Dean Cottages" and they marked a key spot in the valley which eventually came to be known as "Springvale". The valley here in the 19th and early 20th century was called "The Dene" and the track was called Dean Rd. It was the only road of any significance in this part of Kings Worthy.



Table Tennis

Over the years the Parish Council has provided many play facilities for young people in the village. We are always trying to provide more facilities for older people and whole families.

We have decided to install a permanent table tennis table outside Tubbs Hall which will be available to all without the need for bookings etc.

If this proves to be successful we shall consider installing one elsewhere in the village.

Personnel Changes

After more than 5 years of service to the Parish Council we said farewell on Friday 28th July to Adrian Reeves, our Parish Clerk. Adrian was a great support to all Councillors and Parishioners and he will be greatly missed. We wish him well in his retirement.

Adrian has been replaced by Richard Hanney and we look forward to working with Richard over the coming years.

After many years Cllr Bob Barnes retired from the Parish Council this summer and we are pleased to welcome Matthew Page as Bob's successor.



Motorbikes

The Parish Council have been made aware of several instances of large and small motor-cycles being ridden on footways and public footpaths. This is illegal, potentially extremely dangerous and often anti-social. On occasions riders have been seen riding without helmets.

We are working closely with Hampshire Police to eliminate this practice which has the potential to seriously injure or even kill pedestrians and riders.

One recent case resulted in the Police confiscating the offender's motor bike permanently.

We urge anyone carrying out this dangerous practice to stop NOW!



CCTV Cameras

Kings Worthy Parish Council is considering the use of mobile CCTV cameras around the village to prevent anti-social behaviour.

Mobile cameras mounted discretely in known trouble spots could encourage people to pick up their dog's mess, stop people dropping litter, stop intimidating behaviour and help prevent drug use. Councillors discussed the issues of a "Big Brother" society where cameras could be viewed as intrusive, versus their use to discourage anti-social behaviour which impacts on the wider community.

Footpaths

As many locals will know there are many footpaths leading to and criss-crossing Top Field off Hookpit Farm lane but there is uncertainty around which are formally designated and which are not. The Parish Council has been in contact with Hampshire County Council to try and establish which dedicated rights of way are correct. This protracted issue appears now to be being raised as a new application by HCC and when formalised may impact on what may or may not be built on the area known as Top Field.



Housing Matters

At the July Parish Council meeting, two staff members from Winchester City Council were invited along to answer questions on how regulations have been applied by the Estates Team at WCC and the apparent heavy handed manner in which matters had been handled in relation to private property on publicly owned sites.

The WCC representatives explained that new policies had been introduced 2 years ago in order to keep communal areas safe and tidy as complaints had been received about various toys, trampolines, prams and other pieces of equipment being left which could compromise Health & Safety.

The council have increased their staffing in order to address concerns of residents and are looking to agree ways in which they can find solutions to problems. These have included installing bicycle and buggy stores. A consultation programme is ongoing and residents will be advised when their properties will be visited and will be invited to comment and make suggestions. If residents do have issues with the way in which matters are being handled, and if they want to make any suggestions for improvements, they should contact Fiona Churcher from WCC, who has agreed to be the first point of reference.

If however, they prefer, they can approach any member of the Parish Council with their concerns and it will be raised on their behalf.

Your Parish Councillors



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Glossary

PC= Parish Council

FAR= Finance, Administration & Remuneration

R&A= Recreation & Amenities

P&H= Planning & Highways

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Meetings:

Parish Council – 3rd Monday of the month at 7.30pm
(except August & December)

Recreation & Amenities – 1st Thursday of the month
at 7.30pm (except August & December)

Finance, Administration & Remuneration – 2nd Wednesday
of the month at 09.30am

Planning & Highways – Last Tuesday of the month at 7.30
pm

All meetings are held at Tubbs Hall and open to the public.

Speak to the clerk first if you have a specific interest, so you
can be directed to the most appropriate meeting.



Grants

Over the past 12 months the Parish Council has made grants to several local organisations. These have included:

- PCC of Kings Worthy – £150.00 for summertime lunch club.
- Worthys History Group – £195.00 for 'Whiteway' finger post.
- Kings Worthy Christmas – £110.00 to assist with running costs.
- Victims Support – £200.00 to purchase security devices for victims.
- Kings Worthy Fete – £500.00 to assist with running costs.
- Citizens Advice Bureau – £800.00 to assist with running costs.
- Worthy History Group – £668.00 for new history board.
- 3rd Winchester Scout Group – £500.00 towards a new tent.
- Worthys Festival – £900.00 to assist with running costs.

The Parish Council is always prepared to consider requests to assist with funding from local groups. Application forms are available from the Parish Office or on-line from our website.