

Recreation & Amenities Committee Meeting

05 April 2018 at 19:30

Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy

Clerk	Christopher Read and Richard Hanney
Chairman of the Meeting	Councillor Sarah White
Councillors	Mandy Hallisey, Dorry Lawlor, Noel McCleery and Stewart Newell
Members of the Public	2

RA/18/42 – Apologies for absence

none

RA/18/43– Public question time

The Council was asked for the current position on the rights of way application for Top Field. The Planning Inspectorate had written to the Parish Council on 26 January 2018 informing us that there will be an inquiry within the next 11 months. At the present time the Parish Council is awaiting a response to its enquiries as to whether evidence after 1997 will be considered; who is a responsible person for providing evidence, when and how documentation will become available and a precise date as to when the enquiry will be held.

The Parish Council was asked if it had any control over surgery carried out on a Chestnut Tree in Tudor Way. While the Parish Council was aware of an application for work to a beech tree as there were no Chestnut Trees within the application it was unable to raise any objection. It was also clarified that Winchester City Council and in particular the arboriculturists who make decisions on trees, but that any member of the public could apply for a TPO to be placed on specific trees

RA/18/44 – Agree & sign the minutes of the R&A meeting held on 08 March 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on the 8th March 2018 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by Cllr White subject to corrections to attendance (remove Mandy Hallisey add Stewart Newell); RA/18/33 'complying' amended to 'compiling'; RA/18/37 'fess' amended to 'fees'.

RA/18/45 – Matter arising from the R&A meeting held on 08 March 2018

Broadview and Hinton Park fencing – The developer has agreed to cover the cost of the missing concrete posts. The fence will be completed apart from where the posts were removed. Demarcation posts will be installed to identify the boundary in this section. The damaged wire at Hinton Park will be replaced and signs erected to dissuade further vandalism. The boundary issue at Broadview/41 Ramsay Road is being investigated by Cllr Gordon.

[Wildflower verge planting / licence etc.](#) – HCC have failed to respond to our letters. It had previously been agreed to erect signs to deter grass cutting.

[Cricket net ropes and promotion](#) – The rope will be attached when received. Letting down of the nets will be chased and local youth cricket clubs will be advised when they are available for practice.

[Church Green football](#) – The cost of marking pitches has been sent to Worthys YFC – it may be necessary to negotiate a price for playing on this area

[Abbots Worthy noticeboard and headers](#) – The owner of the wall have given permission to erect a new Notice Board and a planning application is being submitted. Notification from WCC awaited

[Litter Pick](#) – To be advertised on the website and Facebook

[RA/18/33 – Tree and Wall work at Kim Bishop Walk](#) We have been advised that a slight move of the bottom of the path will not be major issue and it was agreed to get quotes.

[RA/18/38 – Open spaces strategy](#) – Cllr White has written to WCC querying their figures

Action Items	Action by	Target
Erect demarcation posts on boundary of Broadview/Berwen	Clerk	ASAP
Replace wire fencing at Hinton Park and erect sign	Clerk	ASAP
Erect sign to prevent cutting Wildflower verges	Clerk	ASAP
Progress boundary query Broadview/41 Ramsay Road	Cllr Gordon	ASAP
Obtain quotes to repair Wall and footpath at Kim Bishop Walk.	Clerk	ASAP
Cricket nets to be lowered and rope attached	Clerk	ASAP

RA/18/46 – Tree works / maintenance

[3 Poplar Trees at Church Green](#) – We had previously discussed that the trees have honey fungus disease and that they should be felled; WCC has been advised. The Church Green management association are to be asked to share the cost of one tree (jointly owned) and to remove the remaining trunk from one previously felled Poplar that has been left.

Cllrs Lawlor and White had accompanied Dave Harris (TLC) and Phil Allen to look at various areas to discuss future management

[Beech Copse at Eversley Park](#)- An aerial inspection has been advised for some of these trees in the near future. It had been discussed that some trees have been felled and more may need to be in time, so we should be considering replacements in the near future. Specifics could be looked at during the summer walkabout for planting next winter.

[Tree inspection](#) – The inspection report had highlighted that several trees are in need of fairly urgent attention and it was agreed to plan to undertake this work in late Summer, along with the felling of the poplars and aerial inspections with less urgent work planned

for the autumn/winter, depending on costs, maybe over two years. It was agreed to ask the Tree Inspector to supervise the work. Quotes to be sought.

[Burial Ground](#) – Various options were considered. It was agreed that the cost of removing alternate trees should be obtained and work undertaken under ongoing maintenance. It was agreed to get Greensmile to repair tree root damage to a grave.

[Kim Bishop Walk/Legion Lane](#) – It was agreed to consider cutting back brushwood in order to more easily enable closer tree inspections in 2019/20

Action Items	Action by	Target
Advise WCC that Poplars at Church Green need to be felled.	Clerk	asap
Contact Church Green Management Association regarding the shared Poplar and removal of a trunk	Clerk	ASAP
Contact tree surgeons for quotes for the various sections of work	Clerk	ASAP
Contact Tree Inspector to undertake aerial inspection of Beech trees and to supervise planned tree surgery	Clerk	ASAP
Contact Greensmile to repair grave	Clerk	ASAP
Obtain quotes to repair wall/footpath at Kim Bishop Walk	Clerk	ASAP

RA/18/47 – Footpaths, cycle paths and hedges

[Diversion of footpath 5 at Eversley Park](#) – Worthy's Sports and Social Club have been asked if they would object to the construction of a spur path. It was agreed to see if a grant could be obtained from Countryside Access towards the cost. It was also agreed to contact WCC to see if boundary hedging that regularly overhangs the footpath, around an area of land that is not in use could be considered for removal.

[Playground Eversley Park access](#) – It was agreed to see if a path from the playground to the main footpath can be installed, if/when the footpath is repaired, as the area has become very muddy.

Action Items	Action by	Target
Seek grant from Countryside Access	Clerk	ASAP
Ask WCC to consider removal of hedge at Eversley Park	Clerk	ASAP

RA/18/48 – Dog waste issue

[Dog waste bins](#) – One bin had been removed from the contract. Consultation on the removal of bin at Firs Crescent had only one objection and it was agreed to remove this bin – and to encourage joint use of the WCC waste bin across the road.

Action Items	Action by	Target
Remove dog bin at Firs Crescent	Clerk	ASAP

RA/18/48 – Projects and updates

[Pump track & skateboard ledge](#) – There had been no developments, in view of the weather. It was agreed to ask the contractor when work might commence

[Eversley Park path](#)- Cllr J Porter has reported that she will look at the problem along with the Safer Routes to School team

[Eversley Park extension / allotments /path /running marker posts](#) – A further meeting with HAB is planned on 19 April to obtain an update on the proposed handover and to discuss areas which have been waterlogged.

[Defibrillators \(AEDs\)](#) – All commissioned.

[CPR Training](#) – More training can be organised if there is a demand – minimal requests so far

[Cycle racks](#) – WCC have agreed to the installation outside Springvale Stores

[Wild Flower areas \(improvements to PC areas\)/Broadview](#) – The planting of Cranesbill, Bellflower and Cyclamen along with cutting of edges was postponed due to snow and is now scheduled for 7 April

Action Items	Action by	Target
Obtain update on skate ledge	Clerk	ASAP

RA/18/49– General maintenance / equipment repairs

[Play Area inspection report](#) –

Sovereign returned to undertake repairs but the work is still unsatisfactory; they are being instructed to return for a site visit.

[Fence around Eversley Park play area](#) – Quotes are being obtained to repair/replace the fence

[Football fees](#) – It was agreed to consider these at the May meeting.

[Maintenance Technician Job List](#) – Tasks are being undertaken in a timely manner

[Fryers Close bird problem](#) – Erection of shades had not appeared to be a practical solution. It was agreed to seek permission to undertake the tree surgery.

[Summer walkabout / meeting with Green Smile](#) – Many items already done, planting at the burial ground at entrance to the first cremation area still be to be carried out. It was agreed to cut back one side of the hedge to even this out, rather than infill with new pieces that would take some time to establish. The “wavy top” to this hedge to be requested as part of the tree work this year

[Watercress Way leaflet box on Broadview](#) – It was agreed to allow installation

[Chafer Grubs Eversley Park](#) – Quotes to be obtained to treat the affected area

Action Items	Action by	Target
Obtain quote to treat Chafer Grubs	Clerk	ASAP

RA/18/50 – Clerk’s notices

[Clearance of trees/brushwood Eversley Park/Hinton Cottage](#); The wood has been chipped/removed but there is still a quantity of bramble etc that needs clearance. It was suggested that Greensmile might help

[Boundary Broadview/1 Gillingham Close](#); It was agreed to allow the owner to erect their boundary fence to encompass a tree which is on the boundary of Broadview.

[Burial Ground Deeds](#) – The clerk is taking advice from WCC on how to prepare deeds of grant over burial plots

[Memorial Bench](#) – It was agreed in principal to erect a WWI memorial bench in memory of Cllr D Welstead supported by donations from Rotary and the public

Action Items	Action by	Target
Contact Greensmile re clearance of brambles/brushwood	Clerk	ASAP
Memorial Bench – obtain quotes and donations	Clerk	ASAP

RA/18/51 – Chairman’s notices

The next meeting will be held on 26 April if parish elections are required. If not it will be held on 3 May as scheduled.

Community Messages – it was agreed that the Parish Council could advertise public warnings to include the need to restrain dogs while in cars and an active cat killer if wording is agreed with the PCSOs.

2 Members of Public left the meeting at 21.09

RA/18/52 – Items for discussion at the next R&A meeting on the 03 May 2018

None.

Meeting Closed:

21:12.

Signed:

Date: