

Kings Worthy Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation & Amenities committee meeting held on Thursday, 07 January 2021 at 19:30 Due to COVID-19 this meeting was held electronically via Zoom

Attendees

Councillors Mandy Hallisey (Chair), Sue Cook, Emily Fish, Dorry Lawlor, Stewart Newell, Charlotte Smith and Steve Waters. Lucia Foster-Found (Clerk)

Apologies

None.

Members of the public

None.

RA/21/01 – Public question time

None

RA/21/02 – Agree and sign the minutes of the meeting held on the Thursday, 05 November 2020 and Thursday, 10 December 2020

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting and Chair requested agreement to sign them after the meeting. All agreed.

RA/21/03 – Matters arising from the meeting held on the Thursday, 05 November 2020

None.

RA/21/04 – Fence at play area in Eversley Park

Replacement fence has been erected. 5% of the final invoice has been retained by Kings Worthy Parish Council (KWPC) awaiting the replacement of the temporary black clips with the intended green ones.

It was discussed that the new, larger footprint allowed for inclusion of more seating or picnic facilities within the playground. It has been suggested by a Parishioner that there is the potential for the local inhabitants to collect for and/or fund a picnic bench. Matter for consideration was the placement of the memorial bench that had been previously discussed. It was felt that this memorial bench should have priority with choice of location. Once that has been finalised, then further donations or provision by KWPC or other parties to be further discussed.

Action: Clerk to contact the memorial bench donor to ascertain their preference for location.

Cllr Waters left the meeting.

Cllr Hallisey requested Cllr Fish to take over as Chair.

RA/21/05 - Security of Parish Council Land

Church Green – Awaiting bollard quote from additional contractor. It was discussed that the Church Green management company would be contacted once we had some comparable figures for additional bollards that may be required on their land.

[Action: Clerk to contact Church Green management company when we have more information.](#)

RA/21/06 – Tree Works / Maintenance

Wesley Road – it was suggested that the trimming works carried out by unknown persons to be tidied up.

Tree Survey Church Green – Awaiting third quote for tree works on Church Green. Contractor has said they will be reviewing the site on Wednesday 13th January and will quote thereafter.

Hinton Fields – Dead wood has been removed. Parishioner has requested that vegetation on Parish land encroaching onto a garage at this site is trimmed back. Green Smile have been notified and have said they will carry out the works in the next week.

Planting – Cllr Smith suggested that an area of Eversley Park be considered for tree planting – perhaps a small copse to be situated in the area between the MUGA and Hinton Cottage. Cllr Newell suggested the National Tree Planting Scheme.

[Action: Cllr Smith to further research.](#)

Cllr Hallisey left the meeting.

RA/21/07 - Footpaths, cycle paths and hedges

Eversley Park Path – Update from Cllr Newell in due course.

[Action: Cllr Newell to contact path contractors.](#)

Kerb in Eversley Park car park – Clerks are awaiting further imminent quote for this work.

Laurel Hedge in Eversley Park – Clerk has reported issue to Hampshire County Council via reporting portal – awaiting feedback/action. Cllr Smith suggested that the path required attention and the works might be eligible for a Countryside Grant.

[Action: Cllr Smith to investigate the Countryside Grant option.](#)

Overgrown Hedges – Cllr Cook reported that there is hedge ingress over the pavement near the Tesco in Springvale Road.

[Action: Clerk to investigate further and write to homeowners if applicable.](#)

RA/21/08 – Project updates:

10-year play area plan - Cllr Newell has completed the report and has submitted it to Clerks for edit and review. No update.

Broadview –Persimmon Homes have responded with permission for KWPC to attend to tree works on their strip of land, providing chosen contractor and methodology adhere to Persimmon’s proposed conditions.

Programme of native species plantings at Lower Broadview to be completed.

Action: Cllr Smith to speak to Mr Jeffs to find out when the work will be finished.

RA/21/09 – Lengthsman

Suggested tasks for the February 9th visit;

King Charles Pub - Clean out around the grill in the ditch outside the pub and check the pipe coming across the road on the other side of the pub, Lovedon Lane side.

Wesley Road (at the bottom of Broadview) – Cut back everything except for the evergreen bushes on the left of the gate. These should stay but are overgrown with weeds and seedling trees etc. Take right down to ground level the sapling trees and the rest of the weedy growth.

RA/21/10 – Church Green and Fryers Close play areas

Fryers Close Land Swap – Cllr Hallisey will discuss further with Winchester City Councillor Jackie Porter.

RA/21/11 – General maintenance / equipment repairs:

Tubbs Hall Playground – various issues discussed.

The yellow painted wood on the train to be replaced with “plastic wood”.

The ‘shop front’ to be replaced with “plastic wood”.

“Seal” to be replaced.

Action: Clerk to get an update on the status of these tasks.

RA/21/12 – Dog bins

Winchester City Council (WCC) have installed all requested bins. IDVerde have been informed to remove these sites from the KWPC contract.

RA/21/13 – Burial Ground

Waste Ground Gate – Discussed gate options. Cllr Smith introduced an additional option and quote.

Action: Cllr Smith to provide further information regarding style, warranty, treatment etc.

Cherry Trees – Trees have been planted and staked. Councillors have planted the bulbs.

Disabled Access – Proposal for one side of the large gate to be secured open and a removable bollard to be positioned in the opening was agreed by a majority of the Councillors.

Action: Clerk to obtain quotes.

RA/21/14 – Noticeboards

Replacement signage on noticeboards – Awaiting delivery and installation.

RA/21/15 – Comms

None.

RA/21/16 – Allotments

Cllr Newell spoke regarding the meeting that took place with representatives of WCC and residents' committee in Eversley Gardens on December 16th 2020. In the absence of any representative from HAB, no meaningful decisions could be made regarding the handover of the site. A further meeting is being scheduled for January.

Cllr Lawlor produced a copy of an email from 2017 sent by a previous clerk to those at the top of the allotment waiting list. Cllr Lawlor to ascertain if a draft allotment contract was also sent at that time.

RA/21/17 – Budget

R&A budget was reviewed with no further changes proposed at this time.

RA/21/18 - Clerk's Notices

Dog Fouling in Burial Ground - Dogs are not permitted in the burial ground, however there are regular occurrences of dog waste found in the area. Councillors discussed whether better signage was required to inform people that dogs were not allowed, or alternatively to allow dogs and provide a dog waste bin. Councillors proposed this be discussed at full Parish Council meeting on 25th January.

Action: Clerk to propose as agenda item for full Parish Council meeting.

WCC Half Term Football Project – Councillors happy for this to proceed as per previous requests, providing that insurance, forms, risk assessments (including COVID-19 specific) are in place and that the Government regulations at that time permit it.

RA/21/19 – Chair's Notices

Hedgehogs – A number of dead hedgehogs seen on the parish roads was brought to the attention of the Chair. It was not felt appropriate to introduce additional road signage, but felt that there were other possible methods of raising awareness.

Action: Cllr Smith to explore topic further.

RA/21/20 – Items for discussion at the next meeting on the Thursday, 04 February 2021 at 19:30

Extension to grounds maintenance contract.

Meeting Closed at 20:47

Signed:

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