

Kings Worthy Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 21 July 2014
at Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy**

Present: Councillors: Stewart Newell [Chairman], Phil Allen, Bob Barnes, Mandy Hallisey, Judith Steventon Baker, Martin Taylor, Sarah White and Denis Welstead.

WCC: Cllr Jane Rutter

HCC: Cllr Jackie Porter

PCSO: Kerry Croutear (item PC/14/90 only)

Clerk: Adrian Reeves

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PC/14/87 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Ian Gordon, Dorry Hudson, Kerstin Reiners and Kim Torkington.

PC/14/88 Public Question Time

Cllr Porter raised concerns about the length of time being taken to sort out the new leases for Tubbs Hall.

PC/14/89 Co-option of councillors

A resolution was passed unanimously extend the deadline to allow the newly co-opted to complete their declarations on or before the 15 September Parish Council meeting.

PC/14/90 Reports from the Police, County Councillor, City Councillor, School Governor and Parish Councillors following external meetings

- **Police** – PCSO Croutear presented her report; copy attached. The lady, whose car registration number had been taken after allowing a dog to foul in Eversley Park, had received a visit in conjunction with the dog warden. She had been warned and advised of possible penalties.

(PCSO Kerry Croutear & Cllr Steventon Baker left the meeting)

- **County Councillor** – Cllr Porter presented her report; copy attached.

The new Highways Manager (Tim Lawton) is to meet with affected Parishes over flooding issues on a regular basis. Cllr Porter asked to be involved in any discussions on flood engineering. Cllr Rutter will try to encourage Headbourne Worthy Parish Council to work jointly with Kings Worthy Parish Council (KWPC).
Action – Cllr Rutter.

(Cllr Steventon Baker re-joined the meeting)

Speed survey - the latest speed survey figures were discussed, and it was confirmed that KWPC still stood by its wish for there to be a 30mph speed limit along Springvale Road. Cllr Porter will try to get the proposal document completed by September. **Action – Cllr Porter.**

Footpath at Abbots Worthy House - concern was raised about this overgrown footpath. Cllr Porter agreed to send a copy of the protocol for a letter to be sent to residents where there is overgrowth on footpaths and / or highways. The Clerk is to find any proforma letters sent previously on this subject. **Action – Cllr Porter / Clerk.**

- **City Councillor** – Cllr Rutter presented her report and highlighted items from it; copy attached.

It was noted that the consultation on parish boundaries was due to commence in August.

Cllr Allen is to email Cllr Rutter about Policy S9 from the local plan on the subject of footpaths. **Action – Cllr Allen.**

Silver Hill area – this scheme will not now have a bus station but will have an area with a café, covered seating, toilets, office etc. providing many of a bus station's facilities. WCC is talking to the bus companies about the siting of bus stops.

- **School Governors Report** – Cllr Porter presented this. Balfour Beatty now off site and the internal works are now underway. Key Stage 1 children will be receiving hot lunches from September. A Pastoral Officer is to be employed next year as there is an attendance problem. 4 local children failed to obtain places for the next academic year.
- **External Meetings** – a meeting had taken place with representatives of the school and others. As the school were making such good use of their grounds they do not want any permanent building in the wooded area. Discussion also took place over the responsibility for footpaths locally. Worthys Youth Football Club want an Astroturf type of football pitch.
- Cllr Welstead attended WCC's briefing on sustainable energy where discussion centred on the recommended number of solar farms, biomass units etc. needed to achieve the 15% target of energy from renewables.

- A letter had been received from WCC's Legal Department stating that the legal deadline for KWPC to take ownership of the open space land was 7th August. Cllrs Newell and Allen agreed to make urgent contact with WCC. **Action – Cllrs Newell & Allen.**

(Cllr Rutter left the meeting)

- The KWPC lease still needs agreeing and the memorandum of understanding needs checking. The Clerk was tasked with speaking to Cllr Johnston about the “agreement” for WCC to pay the legal fees. **Action – Clerk.**

(Cllr Porter left the meeting)

PC/14/91 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 16 June 2014

The minutes of the meeting of 16 June 2014 were amended as follows:

PC/14/75 fourth paragraph – amended to references to HCC to read WCC.

The minutes were agreed and then signed by Cllr Newell.

PC/14/92 Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 16 June 2014

- **PC/14/74 Drains and Gullies** – The state of the drains / gullies on Springvale Road was raised as a problem, particularly outside nos. 51 and 55 and also opposite Hookpit Farm Lane, is being chased up by Cllr Gordon. **Action – Cllr Gordon.**
Additionally Cllr Newell has written to the new “floods supremo”.
- **PC/14/75 Bus Stops in the Broadway** – There had been no progress on this.
- **PC/14/77 Bikeability** – This issue has been taken up by the head teacher at Kings Worthy Primary School
- **PC/14/77 New Scout Hut** – Cllr Newell has had correspondence with HAB Housing because the Scouts have approached them about a scout hut on the Lovedon Lane site.
- **PC/14/77 Future s106 Agreements** – Cllr Gordon is to write to WCC to state what conditions PC would require in any future s106 agreement. **Action – Cllr Gordon**
- **PC/14/79 Large Projection Screen** – It was noted that a parishioner had a surplus screen that may be suitable. It was agreed to investigate this but otherwise to go ahead with the purchase of a screen as previously approved. **Action – Clerk.**
- **PC/14/79 Springvale Road (TRO)** – The speed sign had been checked and appeared to have been set correctly.

PC/14/93 To receive the Minutes of the Sub-Committees:

The Minutes of the following Committees were received and discussed.

Planning and Highways Committee – 24 June 2014

Cllr White presented the minutes and highlighted the following:

- P/14/176 Redesign of B3047/A33 Junction – This item is to be chased up.
Action – Cllr Gordon
- P/14/176 St Mary's Close – The residents came to a meeting to talk about how they might raise funds to improve the road. Concerns were expressed that PC were not given the full picture and that the proposed materials were inappropriate for disabled access. Cllr Allen has written to the Rights of Way Officer and requested a site meeting. Checks are to be made to ensure the correct planning permissions have been obtained for the conservation area. It was noted that B&B accommodation had commenced at no. 9. **Action – Cllr Allen**

Recreation and Amenities Committee – 3 July 2014

Cllr Allen presented the minutes and specifically highlighted:

- Footpaths – Cllr Allen is to write to Harry Goodchild, Hampshire County Council (HCC), to ask if the Hookpit Farm Lane (also known as top field) footpaths have been designated as statutory footpaths, under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

(Cllrs Steventon Baker and Welstead left the meeting)

- Burial Ground Signs – Finance approval had been given and the order has been raised.
- Three Cycle Roundabout at Eversley Park – A quote for a replacement is awaited.
- Fence at Lower Broadview – Quote received from M.R.S. Services has been accepted and the order placed.
- Paving by Fire Exit at Tubbs Hall - Quote received from M.R.S. Services has been accepted and the order placed.
- Adult Exercise Instructional Board – Quote for a replacement requested.
- Surfer Adult Play Equipment – Maintenance Technician has removed it and the problem has been identified as too dry a mix for the concrete. A new part is awaited and then it will be refitted.
- Letter re covenant on Church Green has been sent out and a report on the consultation will be put to R&A Committee in September.
- New and updated quotes are being obtained for the accessible swing and associated fencing work at Eversley Park. The Clerk is to write to James White Fencing to ask if they are still willing to quote. **Action – Clerk.**
- Bus shelters – The Clerk is to chase up having the bus shelters at Abbots Worthy and Fryers Close cleaned. **Action – Clerk.**

- Tree works – Two quotes have been received for consideration. It had been agreed to fell the tree at the rear of 7 Wesley Road and to plant a replacement. WCC were happy with the tree plans as outlined.
- Sundial – The vandalism was noted. A decision on the way forward would be taken subsequent to the settlement of an insurance claim.
- WCC's summer football – although the football pitches were not available until September it was agreed to offer the top area at Eversley Park to the Sports Development Officer. **Action – Clerk.**

Finance Committee – 16 July 2014

Cllr Taylor presented the draft minutes and specifically highlighted:

- The financial reports to the end of June showed a surplus of £9,737. Significant underspends existed as a result of the tree works not yet being started and the budget for election expenses not being required.
- F/14/116 - It had been agreed that Cllrs Martin Taylor and Stewart Newell be added to the list of signatories with NatWest Bank. The meeting unanimously agreed to add Cllr Phil Allen to this list.
- It was agreed to proceed with the dado rail for the meeting room at a cost of £125.
- The circus wishing to use Church Green in September had queried the increase in the cost per day from £50 to £100. They had asked if they could just pay for the days they were on site but it was unanimously agreed that, as last year's charge was a one-off, to adhere to the £100 a day for each day on site. **Action – Clerk.**
- The list of written-off debtors and creditors at financial year end had been presented.
- Letters of thanks for grants given by Parish Council had been received from Winchester Conservation Volunteers and Tubbies. It was agreed to refer HCC's small grants scheme to R&A for its attention. **Action – Clerk.**
- A grant request for £250 from Winchester Live at Home Scheme was approved, with the proviso they returned evidence of on what it had been spent. **Action – Clerk.**
- A grant of request of £1,050 had been received from St. Mary's Church Fete Committee. It was agreed to pay a grant of 50% with a reduction of £50 to go toward the reparations and clearing up required at Church Green. It was agreed that this £50 would be paid to Green Smile Ltd. **Action – Clerk.**
- LGPS (Local Government Pension Scheme) – it was noted that the required statement to employees in this pension scheme was being prepared. **Action – Cllr Gordon.**
- The proposed Tesco Family Fun Day was noted.

PC/14/94 Financial Regulations

The new Financial Regulations, dated July 2014 were agreed and adopted unanimously.

PC/14/95 Kings Worthy Community Centre & The Lionel Tubbs Hall Lease Agreement See PC/14/90 above.

PC/14/96 Confidential Item - Staffing Arrangements

Under the provisions of the Public Bodies [Admissions to Meetings] Act 1960 [as extended by S100A of the Local Government Act 1972] the public were excluded from the discussion on this item due to the confidential nature of the business to be considered, namely to discuss the trainee clerk's salary. Cllr Hallisey declared an interest and left the meeting for this item.

PC/14/97 Communications inc. Website, Facebook / Newsletter / Monthly Communications / Twitter / email etc.

Mention was made of the Facebook activity, particularly in relation to one resident. It was agreed to confirm the full cost of the sundial and to make that available if a formal request was received. Cllr Newell to join the communications team to raise a protocol for Facebook items and Freedom of Information requests and what charges should be made. **Action – Cllr Newell.**

It was agreed that the Clerk would proof read the forthcoming newsletter. **Action – Clerk.**

PC/14/98 Clerk's Notices

None.

PC/14/99 Chairman's Notices

The Chairman reported on the state of the footpath in Abbots Worthy.

PC/14/100 Items for the Next Meeting

It was agreed to purchase an air conditioner unit for the meeting room / office for approximately £70 exc. VAT. There were no items for the next meeting.

PC/14/101 The next meeting is scheduled for 7.30 pm on the 15 September 2014.

The meeting closed at 23.38

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



Winchester Rural North SNT – Kingsworthy Crime Statistics

For the period 16/06/14 until 21/07/14
Prepared by PCSO 13466 Kerry Croutear

Please note, mental health concerns, neighbour disputes, harassment, and similar offences are not included on this report, Therefore, if you compare the figures to those on Crime Reports they may differ.

<https://www.crimereports.co.uk/>

20/06/2014 14:15 – 2 X fake £20 notes handed into King Charles Public House
26/06/2014 23:04 – Suspicious van seen, no trace by officers on attendance
28/06/2014 19:00 – Theft of bike light from outside Tesco's
07/07/2014 13:30 – 14.15 – Items stolen from a premises when occupant popped to shop
12/07/2014 00:00 - 14/07/2014 08:00 – Damage to sundial on green outside King Charles Pub
15/07/2014 01:10 – 2 suspicious males seen with a petrol can near parked cars
19/07/2014 00:50 – 01.05 – Attempted break at Tesco Express, nothing stolen

Our Twitter account is now set up: <https://twitter.com/WinchRuralCops>

Any queries or questions please contact me:

PCSO 13466 Croutear, Mobile: 07901 102445

Or PC 2750 Worsdell, Mobile: 07554 775447

Winchester Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team, Alresford Police Office 101

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County Councillor Worthys Report for July 2014

HWRC's please remember to reply to the consultation by the 22nd August. The link is: <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/hwrc-consultation.htm>

Cuts across the County Council- the word used is 'transformation' of the service. In many cases, the County Council is looking to develop services for other counties as well as Hampshire. Inevitably this dilutes the officer time.

In some cases, the services are being made 'more efficient' or the service is pared to statutory level or outsourced as budgets are just cut. These efficiencies are continuing until 2018 at least.

The cutting of verges is one such example. I have requested specific junctions to be cut- and it is worth your members contacting the hotline directly- on 0845 603 5633 in cases where there may be danger in leaving a verge uncut- or weeds!! I know we have had considerable correspondence on the Abbots Worthy paths, but please do call the helpline too if you see a problem.

To Honour a Promise memorial –A promise honoured' was unveiled on the 23rd June 2014. It was a proud occasion as Tony Dowland had come to me over two years ago. The whole project is a tribute to the interest of the Worthys History Group in Tony's work.

Highways: I have placed a number of 'improvements' on the list for 2015-16. These include all the drainage issues not yet solved, the major flooding issues, and the Bedfield Lane path. They will be assessed for feasibility for the HCC Highways Meeting in November. Do you want to include any more sections of path in the requests?

BoomTown: You will have received notice that the BoomTown fair runs from 7th Aug - 11th Aug 2014. Hotline number (goes live from 1st August): **0208 185 3963**. I am informing your Parish as there may be traffic chaos on Monday morning- though this year the operator has done his best to alleviate it.

Flooding

I had an initial meeting with Tim Lawton (Peter Eade's new boss) last week- I want him to be the lead for your flooding engineering works at least. He has agreed to meet regularly with Parish FLAG chairman and PC Chairman if different. Could you tell me who these people are please?

Springvale Road

The speed checks were done, but the team are taking a long time to produce their results. Can I confirm if the new Council is still happy to take forward the 30mph speed limit?

Jackie Porter, Tel: 01962 791054, text 07973 696 085, email: Jackie.porter@hants.gov.uk

CITY COUNCILLORS' REPORT TO KINGS WORTHY PARISH COUNCIL 21st July 2014

Silver Hill

The redevelopment of the Silver Hill area of Winchester is one step closer now as the Cabinet has agreed to put the changes to the existing plans (which have full planning permission) through the planning process. As members of the planning committee, neither Robert nor Jane can comment on this in a way which would compromise their objectivity, but we welcome your views on the proposals. The decision of Cabinet was supported by the full Council last week, with a Liberal Democrat amendment to look again at the provision of affordable housing from the scheme accepted.

Electoral Commission – Ward boundary changes

Again at full Council last week it was agreed (by the casting vote of the Mayor) to propose to the Electoral Commission that the number of councillors on the City Council should be 45. This will result in ward sizes of approximately 6,220 electors, as all wards now need to be three member wards, unless a strong case can be put to the Commission. Kings Worthy Parish needs to decide if it wishes to make representation to the Commission as to which of its neighbouring parishes, or bits of parishes, it wishes its City representatives to cover, or if a case can be made for The Worthys as a distinct community retaining direct representation with a one or two member ward, depending on how the numbers pan out.

Worthys Festival 2015

The Worthys Festival Steering Group is delighted to announce that major sponsors SSE and Bacardi are again sponsoring respectively the Festival Marquee and the Fireworks for the 2015 Festival. Plans are coming along well, and it is hoped to have an initial programme of events produced in time for it to go out with the next Parish Council newsletter – if the Parish Council is happy with that arrangement – many thanks.

Local Plan Part 2 – Delay brings possible challenges to Parish development Boundary

Members may not be aware of delays in the implementation of LP2; a new time table has been decided that will result in adoption in 2016. This will mean that any applications will be dealt with under the old plan, in addition the Parish development boundaries could be altered. For your information we attach the revised timetable:

Stage	LDS 2014	Revised Date
Draft Plan for Consultation	July 2014	October 2014
'Publication' (Pre-Submission Plan	January 2015	June 2015
Submission to Secretary of State	May 2015	November 2015
Examination hearings	July – October 2015	February - March 2016
Inspector's report	November 2015	June 2016
Adoption	December 2015	July 2016

Robert Johnston and Jane Rutter

Kings Worthy Parish Council

Management Accounts for the period ended 30 June 2014

2013/2014 Budget	2014/2015 Budget	2014/2015 Budget ytd	Actual ytd	Variance ytd	2015/16 Budget Proposed	Income Item/Description
£	£	£	£	£	£	
Income: Summary						
116,200	118,109	29,477	30,510	1,032	0	Finance (inc. Precept)
4,584	4,800	1,200	1,200	0	0	THMC Income
7,000	7,050	2,187	1,976	-211	0	Recreation & Amenities
0	0	0	0	0	0	Planning & Highways
127,784	129,959	32,864	33,686	821	0	Total Income
Expenditure: Summary						
70,453	67,763	17,175	13,846	3,329	0	Finance
57,258	61,344	16,055	10,103	5,952	0	Recreation & Amenities
7,500	7,000	0	0	0	0	Planning & Highways
135,211	136,107	33,230	23,949	9,281	0	Total Expenses
127,784	129,959	32,864	33,686	821	0	Total Income
135,211	136,107	33,230	23,949	9,281	0	Total Expenses
-7,427	-6,148	-366	9,737	-8,460	0	Income less expenses
0	0	0	0	0	0	Transfer from Reserves
-7,427	-6,148	-366	9,737	-8,460	0	Net Surplus (deficit) for year