

Kings Worthy Parish Council

RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 1 March 2012
at the Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy**

Present:	Councillors:	Sarah White [Chairman] Rosemary Sign [Vice-Chairman] Terry Bohle Malcolm Prince
	Clerks:	Colin Arnett
	Public:	2

RA/12/32 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Hallisey.

RA/12/33 Public Question Time

Karen Smith and Richard White share with members details of the new community tennis club at the Worthy Park School. The aim is to make it both accessible and affordable to local people. There are two courts which will be open outside of school hours and at weekends. To date they have some 60 adult members and 40 children. There will be an official opening event on the 22 April 2012.

Councillors were supportive of their initiatives and congratulated them on establishing another sports facility for parishioners.

RA/12/34 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 2 February 2012

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by Cllr White.

RA/12/35 Matters Arising from the Meeting of the 2 February 2012

- **RA/12/19 – Notice Boards** – the clerk confirmed that Amey had repaired the cracked section on the replacement board outside of the King Charles PH. The clerk was asked to query the materials used to ensure that they would achieve a permanent bond. **Action – the clerk**
- **RA/12/20 – Hookpit Farm Lane** – a letter had been received from the developer indicating that they will be undertaking habitat preparation work which will be monitored by professionally qualified ecologists. Members asked the clerk to arrange a site visit to include Stuart Dunbar-Dempsey. **Action – the clerk**
- **RA/12/20 – Eversley Park Changing Room/Toilet Facilities/Cricket Nets** – the clerk was asked to chase the WSSC for a response on these items. **Action – the clerk**
- **RA/12/24 – Bus Shelters** – a letter had been received from a parishioner suggesting that the seats be repositioned in the shelter outside of the King Charles PH to improve visibility. Cllr Bohle agreed to investigate. **Action – Cllr Bohle**
- **RA/12/26 – Burial Ground Regulations** – Cllr Gordon had agreed to scan the document onto the computer system as the original documentation could not be found. This will allow the amendments to be made and the document circulated to all members for ratification at the next PC meeting.
- **RA/12/29 – Newsletters** – Cllr White reported that a further 100 copies were required to complete the circulation. The clerk was asked to obtain a quotation from the printers for the additional copies. **Action – the clerk**

RA/12/36 Project Updates

The Project Status Report had been circulated to members [copy attached].

- **Fraser Road - Children's Playground** – the paint snagging on the fencing had now been completed. Cllr Bohle agreed to check the work before the release of the payment. **Action – Cllr Bohle**

The paint snagging on the existing unit still needed attention and members agreed to continue withholding payment.

- **Upper Broadview** – WCC were confident that the revised signage would soon be in place. Members agreed to instruct Scandor to clear the site at a cost of £432 as this had been outstanding for some time. The monies unclaimed by the developer for the widening of the Tovey Place entrance would be diverted to facilitate this. **Action – the clerk**

RA/12/36 Project Updates cont.

- **Church Green Play Equipment** – Members expressed their concerns regarding the misinformation contained in the latest edition of the “Focus” newsletter delivered to residents. It was agreed that a letter be sent to our local councillors. **Action – Cllr White/clerk**

The clerk was asked to clarify S106 Agreement with WCC regarding the positioning of the playground. **Action – the clerk**

- **Eversley Park – Cricket Nets** – Cllr Bohle shared with members his difficulties in obtaining quotations for the work. However he will endeavour to have them available for the next meeting.
- **Eversley Park – Swing Seat for Disabled Children** – Cllr Sign circulated a leaflet on one possible option. She agreed to request a catalogue for members to consider other alternatives. **Action - Cllr Sign**
- **Eversley Park – Youth Shelter/Skate Park** – Cllr White circulated photographs of shelters and skate parks in other local parishes. Members discussed the feedback from the youth consultation evening and considered that to locate either option on our recreation areas would cause problems due to the close vicinity of residential housing. Members considered that the initiative of improving the bus service to the city where facilities were available was more appropriate.
- **Eversley Park – Path** – Cllr White circulated details of some of the surfaces available. The clerk was asked to arrange a project group meeting with Scandor to undertake a feasibility study of the route and explore the options on surfacing. **Action – the clerk**

RA/12/37 General Maintenance/Equipment Repairs

- **Church Green – Tree Work** – the trees had been felled – the stump grinding was still outstanding, together with the work on the chestnut tree.
- **Legion Lane Tree** – Cllr White reported that we are receiving conflicting advice as to whether the walnut tree adjacent to the rear garden of “Path of Thyme” needs to be felled or just the dead branches removed. The clerk has asked the Grounds Supervisor for an expert opinion.
- **Maintenance Operative** – Cllr Bohle circulated the job specification which he had compiled with Cllr Sign. The estimated number of hours required each week is 4.5 at a cost of £2K. He would be self-employed on an initial 3 month trial. Members agreed that this item should be considered by the Finance Committee. Cllr Prince asked the clerk to establish the cost of Stan Howell to enable him to calculate the marginal cost. **Action – the clerk**

RA/12/38 ROSPA Report

The report had yet to be received. Members deferred discussion until the next meeting.

RA/12/39 Website

Cllr White indicated that progress was being made on the new website and anticipated giving members a fuller update at the next meeting.

RA/12/40 Dog Fouling

Cllr White reported that we were awaiting the delivery of the items from the WCC Dog Warden before scheduling a two week campaign.

RA/12/41 Clerk's Notices

- **Frampton Way – Dog /Litter Bins** – a request had been received for additional bins on the Frampton Way end of the path that leads to Eversley Park. Members considered that the provision of bins on Eversley Park was adequate and asked the clerk to refer the request back to WCC who were responsible for the area. **Action – the clerk**

RA/12/42 Chairman's Notices

- **Litter Pick** – it had been agreed that a “Meet your Parish Councillors” session be held at the KWCC prior to the litter pick on the 31 March 2012.

RA/12/43 Any Other Business

- **Grit Bins** – Members agreed with Cllr Sign that there were too many grit bins within the village and that any further requests should be very carefully considered.
- **Olympic Torch Relay** – Cllr Prince shared with members the progress to date on the project which will be centred on Church Green and Eversley Park. He gave a graphic presentation of a “Gantt chart” scheduling the activities and timescales involved.
- **Matters Arising/AOB** – Cllr White asked members to notify the clerk of any matters that they wish to raise, so that they can be listed prior to the publication of the agenda one week before the meeting.

RA/12/44 Date of next meeting

The next meeting was scheduled at 7.30pm on the 5 April 2012. The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

Signed.....

Date

PROJECT STATUS AS AT 1 MARCH 2012

* PROJECT TO BE FUNDED FROM PARISH AND NOT OPEN SPACE MONIES

LOCATION	PROJECT	PRIORITY	ESTIMATED COST	COMMENT
FRASER ROAD CHILDREN'S PLAY GROUND	NEW EQUIPMENT AND FENCE PAINTING	1	£19,995 £424	FENCE PAINTING COMPLETED 29.02.12 NEW SWING SEATS AND PAINTING EXISTING UNIT PAYMENT WITHHELD UNTIL PAINT SNAGGING COMPLETED
UPPER BROADVIEW	PATH LINKING LOVEDON LANE AND TOVEY PLACE	1	FUNDED BY DEVELOPER £868	SIGNAGE UNDERWAY/ DEBRIS TO BE CLEARED *ALTERATIONS TO THE TOVEY PLACE ENTRANCE COMPLETED
LAND OFF HOOKPIT FARM LANE [TOP FIELD]	TRANSFER OF PART OF THE LAND	2		DEVELOPER UNDERTAKING HABITAT PREPARATION WORK ON SITE
EVERSLEY PARK	*CHANGING ROOM/TOILET FACILITIES	1		GRANT APPLICATION APPROVED FROM WSSC FOR £1,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS CLARIFICATION ON THE PROGRESS OF THE WORK BEING SOUGHT
CHURCH GREEN	NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT	2		
LOVEDON LANE	NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT	2		
HOOKPIT FARM LANE	NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT	2		
EVERSLEY PARK	SWING SEAT FOR DISABLED CHILDREN	1		RESEARCHING ALTERNATIVE SUPPLIERS
EVERSLEY PARK	CRICKET NETS	1		PROJECT GROUP FORMED
EVERSLEY PARK	SHELTER			
EVERSLEY PARK	PATH			PROJECT GROUP FORMED
FRASER ROAD	EXERCISE AREA SURFACING			