

Kings Worthy Parish Council

RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

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

Present:	Councillors:	Sarah White [Chairman] Phil Allen Mandy Hallisey
	Clerk:	Colin Arnett
	Public:	3

RA/12/135 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Reiners & Bohle.

RA/12/136 Public Question Time

Cllr White was pleased to confirm with the two members of the Tenants Association that the Parish Council had approved the erection in or around the raised flowerbed outside of the KWCC, of an information board giving the history of the street names on the Springvale Estate. The exact positioning is to be decided when the revised design of the area has been approved. The clerk was asked to confirm the agreement in writing. **Action – the clerk**

Derek Brockway from the Jubilee Hall Management Committee expressed their concerns regarding the proposed children's playground on Church Green. He emphasised that the committee were not anti-children and in fact many of activities in the hall are for children. They experience problems with parking outside of the hall and consider that the situation will be exacerbated with users of the playground. Their income would be adversely affected if those who pay for daily parking spaces and general users of the hall were unable to access on-site parking.

Cllr White shared with members the results of the consultation on the proposed playground with local residents. There were 23 for the scheme and 24 against the scheme. As there was no clear mandate members agreed that the matter be referred to the next Parish Council meeting for discussion.

RA/12/137 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 4 October 2012

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

RA/12/138 Matters Arising from the Meeting of the 4 October 2012

- **RA/12/122 - Dog Fouling** – Cllr Hallisey indicated that she was still in discussion with WCC regarding a suitable dog poo bag dispenser and signage. **Action – Cllr Hallisey**
- **RA/12/122 – Ground and Tree inspections** – Members agreed that a visual inspection of our trees offered by a specialist firm was desirable as Kelvin Mason was still unavailable. Cllr Allen agreed to source maps of our recreation areas as a guide for the inspector. **Action – Cllr Allen**

RA/12/139 Project Updates [dashboard attached]

- **Eversley Park - Cricket Nets** – Cllr Allen had repaired some of the holes in the nets; however additional material was required for some of the larger holes. He agreed to source a supplier for the clerk to place an order. **Action – Cllr Allen/clerk**
- **Queens Jubilee Obelisk** – Cllr Bohle and the maintenance technician are to permanently install the sundial.
- **Eversley Park – Path** – the wet weather had delayed the installation of the path; however Caroway hoped to undertake the work towards the end of November. The WSSC are to apply for a grant to assist with the funding of the spur to the club house. SSE has agreed to install the steps if the PC supplies the materials. The clerk was asked to establish the cost of the materials with Caroway. **Action – the clerk**

RA/12/140 General Maintenance/Equipment Repairs

- **Playground Equipment Repairs** – the clerk reported that repairs had been undertaken on the trim trial, the log roll and to the MUGA litter bin. Repairs to the train and nest swing are outstanding. Members agreed with the suggestion from Cllr Hallisey that we should write to the parents wherever possible when their offspring are involved in vandalism. It was decided that the youth meeting should be postponed until the situation improves.
- **Legion Lane Fence** – a quotation had been received for a new fence at a cost of £1942 and members agreed that approval should be sought from the Finance Committee. The clerk was asked to clarify the height. **Action – the clerk**
- **Burial Ground Trees** – Cllr Allen had visited the site and confirmed that the avenues of trees needed attention to alleviate the overcrowding. He suggested that alternative trees be felled and that those left be pollarded to give a formal “lolly-pop” look. He agreed to write a short paper for consideration by the tree consultant. **Action – Cllr Allen**

RA/12/141 Website

Cllr White reported that Peter Byford was updating the site. A project team meeting needs to be scheduled on the return of Cllr Reiners. Cllr Allen agreed to join the group.

Members agreed that those local companies who had not paid for advertising should be removed from the site.

RA/12/142 Grounds Maintenance Contract

The clerk was asked to arrange a meeting of the project group consisting of Cllrs White, Prince, Welstead, Allen and the clerk. **Action – the clerk**

RA/12/143 Budget 2013-14

Copies of this year’s budget and expenditure were distributed to members. It was agreed that further information was required before figures could be finalised. These would be distributed by email for consideration by councillors before the next meeting. **Action – clerk/deputy clerk**

RA/12/144 Bus Shelter – Nations Hill/Springvale Road – this item was deferred until the return of Cllr Reiners.

RA/12/145 Items to be considered for Monthly Communications

Members agreed that the following should be included; Church Green Playground Poll results, Love where you live including thank you’s to attendees of the litter pick, ongoing monitoring of dog fouling and advice regarding the disposal of sanitary products/nappies etc to avoid the blockage of drains in view of the North Road sewage overflow.

RA/12/146 Clerk’s Notices

None

RA/12/147 Chairman’s Notices

None

RA/12/148 Items for the next Meetings Agenda

Springvale Road/Nations Hill Bus Shelter, Budget 2013-14 & Tree Inspections

RA/12/149 Date of next meeting

The next meeting was scheduled at 7.30pm on the 3 January 2013. The meeting closed at 9.22pm.

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Date