

## Kings Worthy Parish Council

### RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 5 September 2013  
at the Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy**

Present:	Councillors:	Stewart Newell [Chairman] Phil Allen Mandy Hallisey Kerstin Reiners Sarah White
	Clerk:	Colin Arnett
	Public:	2

#### **RA/13/111 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence

#### **RA/13/112 Public Question Time**

**Tubbs Hall Raise Flowerbed Plaque** – the two representatives involved in the erection of the street name information board asked members for an update on the proposed new flowerbed.

Cllr White indicated that WCC had refused funding from S106 monies and we were submitting further details which hopefully would gain approval.

The meeting adjourned to inspect the existing flowerbed and consider options to facilitate the unveiling by the Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire. It was agreed that the two ladies would agree a date with Mary Fagan and that the clerk would arrange for the area to be tidied. **Action – the clerk**

Cllr White agreed to pursue the S106 funding with WCC. **Action – Cllr White**

#### **RA/13/113 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 4 July 2013**

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

## **RA/13/114 Matters Arising from the Meeting of the 4 July 2013**

- **RA/13/97 Dog Fouling** – Cllr Reiners updated members on the dog fouling campaign which is to be launched at the Worthys Festival Dog Show on the 29 September 2013.

Members agreed that the priority “hot spot” was Eversley Park.

Cllr Reiners share with members details of the poster designs/stencils and draft policy document. Members expressed some concern on establishing dog exercise areas and the flicking of faeces into the hedgerow on woodland walks. Cllr Reiners is to finalise the documents for approval at PC. **Action – Cllr Reiners**

Cllr White agreed to update the map of bin locations. **Action – Cllr White**

Cllr Reiners is to finalise the draft leaflet which can be printed in the parish office. **Action – Cllr Reiners/clerk**

Cllr Newell agreed to write to WCC informing them of the initiatives being undertake. **Action – Cllr Newell**

Details will be made available on our website and Facebook. **Action - Cllr Reiners**

Cllr White agreed to draft a letter to be sent to dog owners who were seen not to bag faeces. **Action – Cllr White**

Members agreed that the campaign should be reviewed after 3 months to quantify its success.

- **RA/13/98 Eversley Park Playground Gates** – Cllr White reported that the hinges on all four gates had been adjusted and that revised handles had been installed on two gates. The clerk was asked to check the ROSPA Report as to whether revised handles were recommended for the other two gates. **Action – the clerk**

Our insurance company were dealing with the claim. Cllr White had written to the claimant updating her on the action that we have taken.

- **RA/13/98 Upper Broadview Path** – Cllr Newell had inspected the path and considered the surface adequate. Members were keen to improve the surface and he agreed to cost possible options. **Action - Cllr Newell**
- **RA/13/107 Church Green Circus** – the clerk reported that he had today held a site meeting with owner to finalise arrangements for next week
- **RA/13/103 Youth Council** – no further progress to report

## RA/13/115 Project Updates

- **Church Green Playground** – the project had been delayed due to illness with the Headbourne Worthy PC representation. The clerk was asked to circulate the images of the proposed playground and to arrange a slot for public consultation at the Church rooms in October 2013. **Action – the clerk**

Our solicitors are investigating an amendment to the S106 Agreement location plan. **Action – the clerk**

- **Eversley Park Path/Steps** – Cllr Newell had formally written to the contractor regarding the completion of the path spur to the WSSC and the removal of the hedge stumps in the car park.

Members discussed the provision of hand-rails on the steps and agreed that this would not be appropriate in a rural setting.

- **Swing for Disabled Children** – Cllr Allen had measured the proposed location for the swing in the Eversley Park Children's Playground and confirmed that if the fence was relocated there would be adequate space for the swing.

The clerk was asked to arrange a site meeting with the supplier. **Action – the clerk**

- **Fryers Close Playground** – Meetings had been arranged with three potential suppliers.
- **Eversley Park Car Park Re-surfacing** – Cllr Newell had estimated the cost of re-surfacing to be 30K. Members agreed that it should be discussed at PC.
- **Burial Ground** – the Finance Committee had approved the cost of £1238.94 for extending the new cremation area.
- **Bus Shelter** – HCC had ordered the new shelter for Springvale Road with an anticipated installation date during October.

Cllr Reiners expressed her concerns that she was not involved in the site meeting and considered that the outward cantilever design was unsuitable for the prevailing weather. Cllr Newell indicated that the matter was dealt with by the Planning & Highways Committee of which she is not a member. HCC were unable to approve an inward cantilever design as it had an adverse effect on the sight-lines from the Nations Hill junction. The clerk was asked to establish an installation date. **Action – the clerk**

- **Byelaw Signs** – these had been ordered from the HCC Sign Shop. Cllr Hallisey raised the issue of dogs in the Burial Ground and that consideration be given to a chain hook. The clerk was asked to check the regulations. **Action – the clerk**

## **RA/13/116      General Maintenance/Equipment Repairs**

- **Sundial** – Cllr White asked the clerk to share the latest letter from the supplier with Cllrs Gordon & Prince. **Action – the clerk**

Members agreed that the most appropriate course of action may be to ask a local supplier to clean and recoat the existing unit

- **Eversley Park Top Path** – Discussion took place on the ownership of the path and the responsibility for maintenance following complaints regarding both the boundary hedge and tree roots effecting the surface. Cllr Allen agreed to investigate. **Action – Cllr Allen**

Cllr Newell suggested that consideration be given to a tree and shrub planting strategy.

- **Maintenance Technician Task Listing** – the clerk circulated the latest listing. The clerk was asked to schedule a review meeting with Martyn Smith. **Action – the clerk**

## **RA/13/117      Tree Inspections/Maintenance**

Cllr Allen had been liaising with David Harris who had highlighted the priority tree issues at Eversley Park. These related to diseased trees adjacent to Hinton Cottage and the beech copse outside the children's playground. The trees in Hinton Fields on the Church Lane boundary were also a priority.

The clerk was asked to contact Mr Harris for a quotation for a detailed survey of these areas and to meet with Mulberry Tree Services regarding the further removal of ivy from the trees at Broadview. **Action – the clerk**

## **RA/13/118      Clerk's Notices**

The clerk informed members that the chairman had agreed to the deputy clerk servicing the committee from October 2013 as part of the exit strategy for the retirement of the clerk.

## **RA/13/119      Chairman's Notices**

- **Springvale Road Hedge** – in response to a query from Cllr Reiners the clerk confirmed that farmer Nigel Bright had been reminded of the need to cut his field hedges.
- **Church Green Close Paths** – Cllr White informed members that the repair of the paths had been deferred until October.
- **September Communications Bulletin** – articles to Cllrs Reiners.

**RA/13/120 Items for the next Meeting's Agenda**

Members asked that the on-going items be included.

**RA/13/121 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting was scheduled at 7.30pm on the 3 October 2013. The meeting closed at 10.10pm.

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