

Kings Worthy Parish Council

RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 6th March 2014
at the Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy

Present: Councillors: Stewart Newell [Chairman]
Phil Allen
Dorry Hudson
Sarah White

Clerk: Adrian Reeves

Public: 4

RA/14/36 Welcome

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Dorry Hudson to her first meeting as a member of the committee.

RA/14/37 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence have been received from Cllrs Hallisey and Reiners.

RA/14/38 Public Question Time

What is the legal position now the long time used footpath (at land off Hookpit Farm Lane) has been closed by trees and users are now forced to use an alternative footpath? Cllr Allen reported that the tarmac path is legal as per s257 of the Town and Country Planning Act.

Can it be used? Yes it can. Members of the public cannot enter the hard hat area but this should be cleared soon. If the problem persists then residents will need to go back to Drew Smith Drew Smith are currently negotiating to have the road adopted by Hampshire County Council; once adopted it will be open for public access.

Ilex Close fence has been broken; what can be done about the motorcycles accessing the land behind? Parish Council will contact the police but suggested residents 'phone 101 about the motorbike nuisance. **Action – Cllr Allen** Parish Council will contact Drew Smith to remind them of their responsibilities.

Action – Cllr Allen

RA/14/39 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6 February 2014

The minutes were amended to read as follows:

RA/14/24 RA/13/147 Worthies Sports and Social Club; new steps and extension to the patio area – replace “Cllr Allen has been” with “Cllrs White and Allen have been”

RA/14/24 RA/14/04 Designation of footpaths – replace in last line “HCC” with “WCC”

RA/14/26 “It was agreed that quotes Not critical at this stage” to be deleted as this was a post meeting note.

RA/14/19 Renumbered as RA/14/34

RA/14/20 Renumbered as RA/14/35

RA/14/40 Matters Arising from the Meeting of 6 February 2014

1. **RA/14/24 Worthies Sports and Social Club; new steps and extension to the patio area** – Dave Woolford has agreed to carry out the survey at no charge within the next couple of weeks, for which councillors were very grateful.
2. **RA/14/24 St Marys Churchyard Extension** – awaiting a response about the principles involved from HALC.
3. **RA/14/24 Rights of Way Cutting List** - Cllr Allen has now received a definitive statement of the numbering of the paths. It was agreed that Cllr Allen would draft a revised list of Parish Council’s priorities, ignoring issues of side growth which are not the subject of this listing. **Action – Cllr Allen**
4. **RA/14/24 Designation of Footpaths** – it was confirmed that Harry Goodchild (HCC) had received the letter which had been sent. Letters have also been sent to Howard Bone and Stuart Dunbar Dempsey. Cllr Allen reiterated that the deadline for this issue to be finalised is the end of June, as there is an 18 month limit on this process. Howard Bone to be chased for a reply. **Action – Clerk**
5. **RA/14/24 Ice Cream Van for summer 2014** – it was agreed to contact other suppliers if “Fat Sam” does not respond within a week. **Action – Clerk**
6. **RA/14/32 Formation of New Football Team** – it was agreed to confirm whether or not they were able to use the middle pitch. It was noted that comments had been received that the football pitch fees were on the low side and that these would be reviewed next year. **Action – Clerk**
7. **RA/14/33 Mapping Software** – it was noted that a presentation would be made to councillors at 7 pm on Monday 17th March (before Parish Council); all councillors are invited. **Action – Councillors**

(2 members of the public left)

RA/14/41 Church Green Playground Consultation

No reply has yet been received from the solicitors; this to be chased. **Action - Clerk**

RA/14/42 Spending Priorities for s106 Play and Sport Funding – External Funding Opportunities

The Head teacher has indicated that it is unlikely that travel plan money would be available as a contribution towards the cost of resurfacing Eversley Park but had indicated that the school will get back to Parish Council on this. Osborne to be added to the spreadsheet of external funding opportunities. **Action – Clerk.**

RA/14/43 Tree Inspection / Maintenance

1. Cllr Allen reported that the specification work was close to completion.
2. An offer has been received from Winchester City Council for poppy seeds to be planted to commemorate the start of World War 1; this offer has been accepted.
3. Residents at Hinton Fields have asked if they could buy the land, including trees, behind their houses, which they would then maintain. This land is held on a 999 year lease from Hampshire County Council. Cllrs White and Newell agreed to put a proposal to Parish Council. **Action – Cllrs White & Newell**

(2 members of the public left)

4. The anticipated spend on tree works is not now anticipated to be incurred this financial year; this to be reported to Finance Committee. **Action – Clerk**

RA/14/44 Project Updates

1. **Bag it! Bin it! Signs** – Cllr Allen has a copy of the action plan and will let the office have a copy. **Action – Cllr Allen**
Cllr Newell to discuss what assistance can be given to enable this to be taken forward. **Action – Cllr Newell**
Green Smile Ltd. are investigating the most suitable temporary paint for use with the stencil. **Action – Clerk**
2. **Fryers Close Playground** – letters have not yet gone to residents although the current position was included in the recent newsletter. **Action – Cllr Newell.**
The maintenance technician has been asked to provide an estimate for repair / replacement of the wooden boundary rails.

3. **Eversley Car Park** – tenders have been issued for the car park resurfacing with a closing date of 15th April (noon). **Technical queries will be dealt with by Cllr Newell.**
4. **Burial Ground Cremation Area Extension / Shrub Planning** – cremation area completed. Maintenance Technician has asked whether or not Parish Council wish the other half needs doing; Cllr White to see what was said previously. **Action – Cllr White**
5. **Byelaw Signs** – signs to be erected by end of March.

RA/14/45 General Maintenance / Equipment Repairs:

1. **Potholes in Eversley Park car park** – the Maintenance Technician is to be informed that the temporary repair must be completed by 15th March or another contractor will be given the work. **Action – Clerk**
2. **Sundial** – the company doing the work have stated that the work will be completed in two weeks.
3. **Maintenance Technician Task Listing** – the repairs to the fence at Lower Broadview have been added to the list. **Action – Clerk**

RA/14/46 Christmas Trees and Lights

It was agreed to obtain costings for small static white lights for the tree outside Tubbs Hall and one on Church Green. **Action – Clerk**

RA/14/47 Grass Outside Tubbs Hall Around Plaque

It was suggested that poppy seeds could be included with the grass seed. It will be necessary to confirm the type of poppy seed being offered and to confirm with Green Smile Ltd about planting. **Action – Clerk**

RA/14/48 Clerk's Notices

1. **Bouncy castle** – a request has been received, from a prospective hirer, for the placement of a bouncy castle on the grass outside Tubbs Hall. It was agreed that there would be a charge of £20.00 for this, payable in advance, with the hirer providing proof of suitable public liability insurance before the event.
2. **Litter pick** – information had been received about a national campaign to be held in June. The date to be passed to the Scouts and Guides. **Action – Clerk**
3. **Tree across path adjacent to 21 Broadview** – this has been included within the programme to be re-coppiced. It was agreed to instruct a tree surgeon to clear the fallen branch. **Action – Clerk**

4. **Fee increases** – it was agreed that the fee increases approved at the last meeting would be effective from 1st April 2014 for burials and cremations and from 1st September 2014 for the football pitches.

5. **Twitter & Facebook** – Cllr Reiners to be asked to make a presentation at the April Parish Council meeting. **Action – Clerk**

Cllr Hudson agreed to assist with the maintenance of the Facebook account. Cllr White agree to firm up a communications meeting with Cllrs Welland & Whorwood (Headbourne Worthy), Cllr Reiners and Cllr Taylor.
Action – Clerk

RA/14/49 Chairman’s Notices

None.

RA/14/50 Items for Communications

- Date of litter pick; Cllr Allen to receive information on timing of national event. **Action – Clerk**
- Expansion of crematoria area

RA/14/51 Items for the next Meeting’s Agenda

- Eversley Park top path
- Burial ground shrub planting
- Church Green entrance
- Building Developer Facilities Strategy

RA/14/52 Date of next meeting

The next meeting is Thursday 3rd April 2014. The meeting closed at 9.46 pm.

Signed.....

Date