

# Kings Worthy Parish Council

## RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 7 November 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:	Adrian Reeves
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### **RA/13/136 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence

### **RA/13/137 Public Question Time**

None.

### **RA/13/138 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3 October 2013**

The minute RA/13/127 was amended to read “review meeting with Martyn Smith had yet to be arranged”; the minutes were then agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by Cllr Newell.

### **RA/13/139 Church Green Playground Consultation**

The results of the public consultation were received. Sarah White declared an interest in the matter and took no part in the debate. After a considered discussion it was unanimously agreed to go ahead with the scheme. It will now be necessary to consult on amending the Land Registry transfer document to allow the equipment to be placed on the proposed site.

Two councillors agreed to attend Headbourne Worthy Parish Council on 11 November to hear there discussion on the allocation of their s106 monies.

## **RA/13/140 Spending Priorities for s106 Play and Sport Funding Consultation**

It was noted that Winchester City Council were in the process of amending the figures again as some of Headbourne Worthy's allocation has been incorrectly given to Kings Worthy. Based on the figures from a couple of months ago Kings Worthy has £4,147 in Play and £19,856 in Open Spaces Sport; interest is being added on a monthly basis.

Cllr Allen presented the preliminary work on the possibility of providing a skate park. It was agreed to take this to Parish Council as a future project.

After discussion it was agreed to prioritise the items as follows:

### Play

- 1 Church Green
- 2 Accessible swing
- 3 Entertainment area at Tubbs Hall
- 4 Fryers Close
- 5 Skate park

### Sport

- 1 Eversley Park car park

Councillors agreed to investigate opportunities for external funding for the next meeting. **Action - All**

## **RA/13/141 Tree Inspection / Maintenance**

The results of David Harris's inspections and subsequent recommendations were discussed in detail.

- Eversley Park – it was agreed to go ahead with the crown lifting and crown cleaning and to go ahead with a detailed inspection of the 10 trees shown as high priority on the plans.
- Hinton Fields – tree 7 requires a detailed inspection within 2 months and the tree further along Hinton Fields requires urgent pollarding as it is too close to a wall; it was agreed to go ahead with these.
- Hinton Park –
  - it was agreed to remove the poplar and pollard the oak.
  - Cllr Allen agreed to write up the specification for the work required on the beech trees 24, 25 & 26.
  - Those trees requiring crown cleaning, dismantling or felling – it was agreed to go ahead immediately.

## **RA/13/142 Budget 2014-15**

Details were published of draft spending to the end of October which was still subject to minor change as not all invoices had yet been received. Public consultations had been separated out from newsletters as requested. Members

of the committee examined each line of the forecast outturn and draft budget making a number of amendments. It was requested that the budget line for Publicity and Advertising be passed to Finance Committee as part of their area of responsibility. The main change was to increase the forecast outturn for 2013-14 for trees to incorporate an additional £10k spend before the year end and to also increase the 2014-15 budget to £10k. If the increase on tree works is excluded the overall proposed budget would have fallen and it was unanimously agreed to recommend this draft, a copy of which is attached, to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the overall Parish Council plans.

### **RA/13/143 Matters Arising from the Meeting of 3 October 2013**

- **RA/13/125 Upper Broadview Path** – it was agreed that this item be carried forward to the next meeting. **Action – Cllr Newell**
- **RA/13/125 Church Green Entrance** – there had been no progress on examining the need for reinforcing the grass just outside the access barrier. **Action – Cllr Newell**
- **RA/13/125 Youth Council** – Cllr White has arranged to visit mentioned Ringwood to investigate how their “youth advisers” work with the Parish Council. **Action – Cllr White**
- **RA/13/125 Eversley Park Top Path** – this is to be brought up in April 2014.
- **RA/13/125 Church Green Close Paths** – work was progressing. It was agreed to ask Green Smile Ltd to clean the steps. **Action – the Clerk**
- **RA/13/125 Building Developer Facilities Strategy** – this was deferred until the next meeting. **Action – the Clerk**

### **RA/13/144 Project Updates**

- **Bag It Bin It! Dog Fouling Initiative** – to date there had been 8/10 entries for the colouring competition although the closing date had not yet been reached. The stencils have been received and are available for use.
- **Eversley Park Path / Steps** – this project is complete apart from the clearing away of some spoil by the contractor. Final payment will be withheld until this work has been carried out.
- **Accessible Swing for Disabled Children** – awaiting Parish Council decision on priorities and funding.
- **Fryers Close Playground** – the revised price has been received from Sovereign; awaiting Parish Council decision on priorities and funding.
- **Eversley Park Car Park Re-surfacing** – awaiting the decision from Headbourne Parish Council on the possibility of them making a contribution to

the overall cost of this work; awaiting Parish Council decision on priorities and funding.

- **Burial Ground Cremation Area Extension / Shrub Planting** – Sparsholt College have still not responded yet. The Clerk was asked to chase this up with John Baker. **Action – the Clerk**
- **Springvale Road Bus Shelter** – the installation is now complete. It was noted that the resident of one of the adjacent properties had now complained about it being situated too close to her hedge, despite having previously giving written permission to go ahead with the work.
- **Byelaw Signs** – these to be chased up again. **Action – the Clerk**

#### **RA/13/145 General Maintenance/Equipment Repairs**

- **Sundial** – no response had been received from Spot-On Sundials despite the letter being sent threatening Small Claims Court action. Cllr White is meeting, later this month, with a supplier with a view to renovating the various parts which we hold. **Action – Cllr White**
- **Maintenance Technician Task Listing** – dates have been suggested for the re-arranged review meeting with Martyn Smith; awaiting agreement. **Action – the Clerk**

#### **RA/13/146 Clerk's Notices**

A letter had been received about the availability of free dog chipping. It was suggested that this was something which could be carried out at the Worthys' Festival.

#### **RA/13/147 Chairman's Notices**

Green Smile Ltd would like to visit all our sites in early December to identify the winter work of shrub and hedge cutting. Cllrs Allen & White volunteered. **Action – Cllrs Allen & White**

Green Smile Ltd also asked if Parish Council would consider replacing all the open litter bins with those with lids. It was agreed that such closed bins would be provided when replacements became necessary.

Cllr Newell agreed to investigate the pothole(s) at the entrance to the Eversley Park car park to identify if these were new holes or ones previously repaired. **Action – Cllr Newell**

The Worthies Sports and Social Club want to provide new steps and extend the patio area. It will be necessary to check the plans to see if this encroaches on Parish Council land. **Action – Cllrs Allen**

#### **RA/13/148 Items for the next Meeting's Agenda**

- Footpaths – to look at proposals for designation of new paths (e.g. Hookpit Farm Lane). It was agreed that advice should be taken from Derek Brockway.

**RA/13/149 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting is to be confirmed once next year's meeting dates have been confirmed. The meeting closed at 10.37pm.

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