



Kings Worthy Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation & Amenities committee meeting held on Thursday, 14 July 2022 at 19:30 in Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy

Attendees

Councillors A. Hallisey (Chair), E. Fish, C. Smith, D. Lawlor & S. Waters

Clerk(s)

Louise Daniel

Apologies

Cllr T Stannard advised Clerk of absence ahead of meeting, Clerk to advise Cllr Stannard to email in apologies as discussed at full Parish Council on 27 June 2022.

Members of the public

Four

RA/22/088 – Public question time

Four members of the public attended to discuss the Community Garden. It was agreed to move this item up the agenda. Residents are concerned that the land in question (enclosed by housing in Westfield Road, Castle Rise & North Road) is not being maintained by Winchester City Council (WCC) and may be used for housing, it has been suggested the space become a Community Garden. The proposal is to install some seating, raised beds, a shed & play area. A potential conflict of interest from children playing & the use of the area as a gardening space was discussed. However, residents and Councillors unanimously agreed that the land should not be built on & kept as an open space. Planning rights and ongoing maintenance to be queried and the possibility of transferring ownership of the land from WCC to Kings Worthy Parish Council for upkeep. The land is currently being maintained by residents who they will now seek opinions and / or support from neighbours.

Action: Clerk to contact WCC with above queries.

Cllr Smith arrived and 3 members of the public left at this point.

RA/22/089– Agree and sign the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 09 June 2022

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

RA/22/090 – Matters arising from the meeting held on Thursday, 09 June 2022

RA-22-053 Bus stop refurbishment – the new shelter at Pound Road is due to be installed week commencing 25 July 2022.

RA-022-071 Cricket nets – It was unanimously agreed by all Councillors that the cricket nets would be removed in September at the end of season & hung up again early April (weather permitting) for the start of the cricket season.

RA-022/081 – Church Green Bollards. The revised quotation of £1854.04 has been received from Marshalls for the security bollards in place of the sandbags on Church Green. Marshalls do not offer an installation service, labour quotes are as follows -

Company A – quoted in 2021 but no longer trading

Company B - £1,590.00 labour only, does not include removal of sandbags or clearing debris

Company C - £960.00, labour to install bollards, remove sandbags & all debris, to leave site clean & tidy

Councillors unanimously agreed to carry out this work as soon as possible using Company C, MRS Services. The Directors of the Church Green Management Company have been approached for a contribution & permission to install bollards on the green.

Action: Clerk to investigate previous total costs agreed by Finance Committee & chase response from Church Green Management Company.

RA/22/091 – Community Garden

This was fully discussed under Public Question Time. Clerk to follow up with aim for an update by 08 September 2022.

The fourth member of the public left.

RA/22/092 – Worthy's Mini Music Festival

An application has been received from the Worthy's Festival Committee to hold a Mini Music Festival in Eversley Park on Saturday 17 September, from 1pm to 11.30pm. The free entry event will feature local bands and a variety of refreshments will be available. All Councillors are in favour and confirmed there will be no charge for the hire of Eversley Park. Permission is subject to relevant insurance, a risk assessment and Temporary Events Licence. It was stressed that no litter is to be left on site & attendees must park considerately.

Action: Clerk to communicate above decision and investigate cost of an extra litter collection on Monday 19 September.

RA/22/093 – Play Area Maintenance Plan, next steps

Cllr Fish confirmed that the Finance Committee have agreed to the Recreation & Amenities (R&A) Committee request for £100,000 for the renovation of Eversley Park play area. This is to include the equipment and resurfacing, the adult exercise area will be reviewed & costed separately. Cllr Fish to draft submission for tender, to include items being kept & our requirements such as a replacement trim trail & multi use equipment. Rubber mulch surfacing was agreed with consideration given to removing 2 trees within the park boundary and additional bench seating.

Action: Cllr Fish to circulate draft document for agreement then liaise with RFO regarding tender process.

RA/22/094 – Grass Cutting

This was raised by Cllr Stannard, in his absence, it was agreed to move this to the September agenda.

RA/22/095 Hose box for burial ground

Following the theft of the hose pipe from the burial ground options for storing the hose are to be considered. Cllr Waters advised that the cost of a metal box plus installation would far exceed the value of the hose. The hose is currently being stored by MRS Services. Cllr Hallisey said a smaller & lighter hose at the burial ground would be useful.

Action: Cllr Waters to explore alternative storage / security options for the hose & cost for a smaller flexi hose.

RA/22/096– Clerk’s notices

The Cubs have submitted a request to use Eversley Park on 18 and 20 July for team games. All agreed for event to go ahead subject to risk assessment & insurance, but Committee members stressed this is very late notice. Clerk to request advance notice for future possible events & if not enough notice for R&A meeting, can be agreed via email by a majority of 4 Councillors.

Action: Clerk to communicate response to Cubs & reiterate need for more notice.

There has been a request for a new Sunday 11 aside team to play at Eversley Park. Worthies FC are not entering an adult team into this league & support the application. Cllr Hallisey noted Green Smile usually mark pitches in the last week of August, ready to open the first weekend of September. In view of the renovations & weather it was agreed to review this nearer the time.

Action: Clerk to communicate response regarding new team & pitch re opening dates.

It was noted that there are some grass clippings at Eversley Park.

Action: Clerk to check with Ground Maintenance Contractors.

Clerk advised there is no date yet for the 'Walkabout' but is aiming for early September. It was noted there may be a need for a separate discussion ahead of this date regarding the Broadview trees.

RA/22/097 – Chair’s notices

A request has been received from a funeral director regarding the interment of ashes, the family have requested that a small amount of the lady's late husband ashes also be included in her casket. All were in unanimous agreement that this can go ahead with one charge.

Action: Clerk to forward response.

Cllrs Fish & Smith advised that the 'Comms Committee' are considering an annual newsletter, rather than a bi-annual one & monthly updates on the community noticeboards. This would save around £2,500. All in agreement that this is a good idea.

Action: To be discussed at full Parish Council on 25 July.

**RA/22/098 - Items for discussion at the next meeting on Thursday, 08 September 2022
(Provisional)**

Grass Cutting

Tree Planting

Meeting Closed at 21:10

Signed:		Date: