

Kings Worthy Parish Council

**Minutes of the Recreation & Amenities committee meeting
held on Thursday, 01 October 2020 at 18:30
Due to COVID-19 this meeting was held electronically via Zoom**

Attendees

Councillors Mandy Hallisey (Chair), Sue Cook, Emily Fish (Vice-Chair), Dorry Lawlor, Stewart Newell, Charlotte Smith and Steve Waters.

Apologies

Members of the public

None.

RA/20/118 – Public question time

None

RA/20/119 – Agree and sign the minutes of the meeting held on the 03 September 2020

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting and Chair requested agreement to sign them after the meeting in the presence of the Clerk. All agreed.

RA/20/120 – Matters arising from the meeting held on the 03 September 2020

None

RA/20/121 – Fence at play area in Eversley Park

3 quotes presented.

Quote A for £14,778.98 (ex. VAT)

Quote B for £16,693.38 (ex. VAT)

Quote C for £16,525.67 (ex. VAT)

Councillors all agreed to Quote A. This will go to Finance & Remuneration meeting on 13th October 2020

RA/20/122 - Security of Parish Council Land

Eversley Park – The height restriction barrier is in place with the relevant planning consent. Councillors agreed that no further security measures to be implemented at this time. Further discussion deferred for 4 months.

Councillors agreed that certain car park users could be given the code to the barrier on the signing of the amended agreement with Kings Worthy Parish Council (KWPC)

Action: Clerk to send agreement to the parties discussed.

Church Green – Currently sand ballast still in place. Disposal of sand discussed, as returning it to the builders' merchants is not an option. Cllr Lawlor suggested approaching local contractor for resale. All agreed in principle.

Bollards for Church Green also discussed, but the issue of decreased security of the wooden 'dragon's teeth' on non-KWPC lane was highlighted. It was agreed to approach the Church Green management company and arrange a meeting to discuss.

Action: Clerk to contact GH Property Management.

Eversley Gardens – The gate for the entrance was discussed. The current design is within the development's planning consent, so it was decided not to suggest a different type. Christopher Read had also drawn up a plan for proposed removable bollards inside the gate that will provide a second tier of defence against illegal or unauthorised access. It was suggested to install these bollards when the gate is erected, but as the land is not yet Parish Council owned, this would have to be discussed with the developers.

Action: Clerk to contact developers to discuss installation of gate.

RA/20/123 – Tree Works / Maintenance

Tree Survey Church Green - Awaiting quote from Plane Arboriculture.

Church Green Poplars – Residents were mailshotted. Felling completed. Contractors have removed the commemorative bench damaged during the works and will be replacing it as soon as possible.

Legion Lane – Works scheduled for w/c 5th October. Mailshot notification to affected residents sent.

Wesley Road - Works scheduled for w/c 5th October. Mailshot notification to affected residents sent.

RA/20/124 - Footpaths, cycle paths and hedges

Eversley Park Path – Currently Cllr Newell is still experiencing difficulty obtaining a response from his contacts, however he will persevere to arrange meeting on site with relevant contacts to discuss possible re-surfacing.

Action: Cllr Newell to contact path contractors.

Kerb in Eversley Park car park – Drain was cleared out by the Lengthsman in September. Cllr Newell to produce a sketch/plan of requirements.

Action: Cllr Newell to sketch plan by Monday 5th October 2020.

RA/20/125 – Project updates: 15-year play area plan

Cllr Newell has completed the report and has submitted it to Clerks for edit and review. No update.

RA/20/126 – Lengthsman

The review from Headbourne Worthy was discussed together with the task sheet from September.

RA/20/127 – Church Green and Fryers Close play areas

Fryers Close Land Swap – Cllr Hallisey will discuss further with Winchester City Councillor Jackie Porter.

RA/20/128 – General maintenance / equipment repairs:

Tubbs Hall Playground – various issues discussed.

Rusting 'shop front' panel requires attention. Awaiting cost from MRS for cleaning and powder coating. Cllr Waters to take a look with a view to suggesting possible solutions.

Broken 'bouncing seal' – awaiting cost for replacement.

Wooden panel to close entrance to tunnel requires mending/replacing. MRS to be notified to address this issue.

It was decided that the gate to the play area should no longer be secured in an open position be allowed to be closed due to the risk from the nearby road.

[Action: Clerk to contact MRS to discuss the outstanding issues.](#)

RA/20/129 – Dog bins

Winchester City Council (WCC) have agreed to install new bins at all requested locations, apart from Stoke Charity Road, which is under further discussion.

RA/20/130 – Burial Ground

Waste Ground Gate – Discussed a lockable gate to prevent further unauthorised dumping of garden waste. Also to erect signage to indicate that this is prohibited. Councillors agreed that the gate should be solid wood and prices to include installation to be sought and presented to R&A in November.

[Action: Clerk to obtain prices.](#)

Cherry Trees – Cost for 1 x cherry tree of 'Snowgoose' variety recommended by Cllr Smith is £64+VAT for 8-10cm diameter trunk. 45 bulbs (tulip or narcissus) are approx. £14.

[Action: Clerk to obtain costs for planting.](#)

Cllr Emily Fish left the meeting at this point

Disabled Access – The Risk Assessment that Cllr Waters produced was discussed.

Improvement of both dropped kerb accesses outside and within the entrance was agreed to be further investigated. It was agreed that Cllr Waters would try to determine the surface

condition beneath the loose pebbles that cover the pathways around the new cremation area, to see if removal of the top layer of stones would render it suitable for disabled access.

[Action: Cllr Waters to investigate substrate of paths at Burial Ground.](#)

RA/20/134 – Noticeboards

Replacement signage on noticeboards – boards reviewed, with 2 requiring replacement in the short term.

[Action: Clerk to get prices.](#)

RA/20/135 – Comms Email

Suggested to include an item regarding overgrown hedges; that it is the responsibility of the householder to ensure that hedges on their property do not overhang pathways and roads and inconvenience passers-by.

RA/20/136 – Allotments

Water provision was discussed and it was decided that water should be charged for as a fixed cost added to the allotment rental fee. To negate the risk of hosepipes and taps being left on, with the consequence of excessive water usage or waste, a trough option for hand filling of buckets and watering cans was suggested and agreed.

[Action: Clerk to investigate options.](#)

RA/20/137 – Tennis Courts

Following request from Parishioner for tennis courts in the area formerly ear marked for a proposed pump track at Eversley Gardens, Clerk presented some outline figures for the provision of one tennis court; £35,000 - £42,000 + VAT for basic painted tarmac court. Councillors agreed that this was not a viable option for the Parish Council as, in addition to a large initial capital outlay, it would also require management and ongoing maintenance. It was mentioned that there are local tennis courts/clubs at Princes Mead school, Littleton and in Winchester.

RA/20/138 - Clerk's Notices

Cleaning of bins – Between cleaning, re-contamination is possible at any time, so Councillors agreed not to continue with the twice weekly bin sanitizing routine being carried out by Green Smile. Consideration was also given to the natural sanitizing effect of daylight.

[Action: Clerk to inform Green Smile.](#)

RA/20/139 – Chair's Notices

None

RA/20/140 – Items for discussion at the next meeting on the 5th November 2020

None

Meeting Closed at 20:26

Signed:

Date: