



Kings Worthy Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation & Amenities Committee meeting held on Thursday, 11 September 2025 at 19:30 held in Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road

Attendees

Councillors Emily Fish, Mandy Hallisey, D. Lawlor & Charlotte Smith.

Clerk(s)

None – minutes taken by Cllr Fish.

Apologies

None.

Members of the public

None.

RA/25/123 – Public Question Time [Please note that this is the only time that the public are able to speak and is limited to 5 minutes per subject]

None.

RA/25/124 - To agree and sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 July 2025

One amendment was made to the minutes –

Change the last minute reference number to RA/25/122.

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

RA/25/125 – Matters arising from the meeting held on 10 July 2025

None.

RA/25/126 – Lovedon Fields site

- Interpretation board – explaining the biodiversity of a meadow – A quotation is awaited from M.R.S. Services to allow a grant request to be submitted.
- Allotments update – It was agreed to ask M.R.S. Services to hand dig top find the water pipe to allow the meter connection.

It was also noted the turf laying will be required in late September/early October.

Action - It was agreed to add the pathways (and potential working group) to the October agenda.

RA/25/127 – Tree works / general maintenance –

- Inspection of Parish Council's trees – A quotation had been received for the Visual assessment of the Parish Council's trees. It was unanimously agreed to proceed with this quotation a total cost of £2,295.00.
- Inspection of trees adjacent to Eversley Park play area – This work has been ordered but not report yet received.
- Inspection of trees adjacent to Legion Lane – Awaiting report including recommended work.
- Urgent tree work undertaken at Kim Bishop Walk – It was agreed to ratify the cost of the emergency tree work required at a total cost of £350.00.
- Actions from play area annual inspections – After discussion, it was agreed to create a database of all findings and actions, including potential contractors, with a target deadline for the completion of works by the end of year.

It was also agreed to investigate a backup maintenance contractor to help with the existing contractors workload.

- Maintenance of hedges on Lower Broadview – It was agreed to bring the hedges into an annual plan and for the work to be completed at the earliest availability (October/November time), particularly the hedge at the bottom of Lower Broadview.

RA/25/128 – Request for placement of additional ashes casket in existing grave

Members discussed the request, advice received and the potential for disturbance of existing remains should an additional interment take place.

It was agreed to suggest that an additional interment could take place in front of the existing plot. This would need to be clearly marked by a tablet (either a larger covering both, or additional).

It was also agreed to undertake a review of the burial ground regulations.

RA/25/129 – Potential grants for tree planting on Parish Council land

Action - Cllr Smith will make a grant request for replacement whips for the allotment hedges, drainage basin and the area of pathway open to Hinton House Drive. A grant request will also be submitted to Hampshire Forest Partnership for a larger tree to infill the path hedge line.

RA/25/130 – Potential re-surfacing of footpath between Hinton Fields and Church Lane

Councillors reviewed online Streetview images from 2011 & 2025.

Action - It was agreed to obtain quotations to cut back the vegetation overhanging the barrier and pathway.

Action - It was also agreed to approach Hampshire County Council for a potential additional barrier to re-divert users onto the original path line,

Action - Members will attend the site and review the existing surfacing.

RA/25/131 – Request to relocate Firs Crescent noticeboard

Members discussed the request and reviewed photographs and a map of the actual location of the board. It was agreed that the board would not be relocated.

However, it was agreed to obtain a quotation for re-painting the black legs to green (or similar). It was also agreed to discuss the potential for the additional planting of scrubs/hedging with Winchester City Council.

Action – Request quotation and planting as above.

RA/25/132 – Items for inclusion in Council communications

Litter Pick.

RA/25/133 – Clerk’s Notices

Water feature at Lovedon Lane Burial Ground – It was noted that the battery for the water feature had been stolen.

Action - It was agreed to review the water feature in the Spring.

RA/25/134 – Chairman’s Notices

Burial Ground pathways - Cllr Fish noted that she had approached the grave digger who is unable to provide a quotation for the work. It was agreed that the only option for the works would be via a grant and quotations will be obtained for works to the surfacing of the large lower path to the cremation area.

Eversley Park festival – Members discussed the proposed council stall including the best potential times of day.

RA/25/135 – Items for discussion at the next meeting – 09 October 2025

Tree grants.

Firs Crescent history board update.

Allotments update.

Meeting closed 20:39.

Signed:

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