

**Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting GP 05/15 of
Kingsclere Parish Council held at 7.30pm on
Monday 8th June 2015 in the Village Club**



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- i. The Clerk welcomed Sue Watson from the Twinning Association to the meeting. Sue spoke briefly of the history of the Twinning group and confirmed that the Mayor of Cormicy and some representatives from their equivalent of the Royal British Legion would like to attend our Remembrance Sunday Service this year. Would the Parish Council write an official invitation. The TA have funds to provide lunch for the guests on the Sunday but if there were any funds available for other expenses it would be appreciated.
- ii. The Clerk also welcomed Beth Theobald and Eric Rampton from the Allotment Management Committee who had requested to speak but not in time for the agenda. It was agreed to allow them time to highlight the issues with 05/15.6.ii. The group have been offered a digger and driver for free but will need to pay for diesel. Would there be any funding for skip hire so that they can take advantage of this offer and the management group will manage and monitor this situation so that no further tipping occurs here. The clerk confirmed that the volunteers would be covered by the current Public Liability Insurance but there needs to be a risk assessment for machinery to be brought and used onsite.

GP MEETING COMMENCED 8:10pm

- GP05/15 Present Committee Members:** Cllrs: Adams; Musset; N.Peach; Price; J.Sawyer:
Clerks: S Thompson; L Porton
- 05/15.1 Apologies:** Cllrs M.Farey
- 05/15.2 Election of Chairman:** SA nominates MF, as the previous GP Chairman to continue which was unanimously agreed. JS to chair tonight's meeting.
- 05/15.3 Declaration of Interest:** JS is a member of the Twinning Association; SA knows the owners of Cedar House, Fox's Lane; NP and AP allotment holders.
- 05/15.4 Matters arising from Minutes of GP Meeting 9th March 2015:**
GP 04/14.1: Terrain Geomatics are meeting with the clerk tomorrow to start the process. **Clerk**
- 05/15.5 Twinning:** SA proposed a letter of invitation to the Mayor of Cormicy, seconded by NP. Agreed. SA proposed we grant £200 to the Twinning Assc., seconded by AP. Agreed. **Clerk**
- 05/15.6 Allotments:**
i. The applicant for the Vacant Plot would like to clear the plot themselves but as compensation not pay for the plot until next year. Agreed. **Clerk**
ii. In order to avoid further dumping of rubbish and spoil at the allotments, they need to be brought back in order. Current rent is £5,25 per rod so most plots cost approximately £12.50. Committee agreed to fund skip and assess possible fence repairs with the proviso that allotments rents are adjusted at the next review in order for costs to be reclaimed.
- 05/15.7 Holding Field:** KFA have requested use for training on Thursday evenings. Tennis court area should be avoided in order to prevent damage to the fence. Agreed. **Clerk**
- 05/15.8 Speed Watch:** A member of the public raised the issue of speeding on George Street. George Street to be added to the groups list to monitor and collect data. Agreed. **Clerk**
- 05/15.9 WW1 Commemorations:** A request has been made for the council to support an application to the Hampshire Fund for a contribution towards Kingsclere's celebrations. Agreed.
- 05/15.10 Maintenance:**
i. A member of the public has requested the interpretation board in the square be refurbished. Committee request quotes for a replacement, more weather proof frame and also a revamp of the bus shelter. **Clerk**
ii. Parish Paths team have cut down trees at the allotments and Cemetery. The quote to now deal with the arisings is £220. Agreed.
iii. Flower bed outside the toilets in the square needs weeding. Contractors have quoted a one off fee of £30 – Agreed and requested to go in the contract for next year.
- 05/15.8 Planning Applications:**
i 15/01704/LBC – Swan Street Stores – concerns about the ramp on the footway should be highlighted.
ii 15/01647HSE - Cedar House, Fox's Lane – no objections
iii T/00163/15/TCA – Priory House, Newbury Road – no objections
iv T/00176?15/TCA – 33 Cedar Drive – concerns to be highlighted as B&D have agreed to pollard not fell.

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05/15.9 **Rolling List:**
No Change

05/15.10 **Date of next GP Meeting:**
Monday 13th July 2015 7:30pm at The Village Club Holding Room

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:58pm

Signed:.....Chairman

Date:.....

Signed:.....Parish Clerk

Date:.....