

Minutes of Kingsclere Parish Council General Purposes Committee Meeting GP 01/19 held at 7.30pm on Monday 14th January 2019 in the Village Club

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All Cllrs

GP 01/19 Present: Cllrs: Adams; Bowes; Farey; Mussett; Peach N; Sawyer J. Clerk - Porton; **ACTION** Admin Assist - Read

01/19.1 **Apologies:** Cllr Price

01/19.2 Declarations of Interest: 01/19.11 KCA – IB. 01/19.13 Allotments – IB, NP.

01/19.3 Matters arising:

> 3.1. 11/18.4 Risk Assessments: Any outstanding RAs to be handed in to Clerk asap.

> 3.2. Community Bus. Route 56: The bus will continue to run twice a week on Wednesdays and Fridays although the Parish Council agreed to subsidise one trip a week. The Clerk has asked BCT for an invoice but has yet to receive a reply. Leaflets have been provided by BCT and the PC agreed to ensure they were included in The Tower. It was also agreed that posters and extra leaflets were required for noticeboards and community spaces. Clerk to investigate price for printing leaflets and contact The Tower.

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01/19.4 Mapping Software for Cemeteries: Information circulated prior to meeting. The cost is approximately £500 per 1000 graves to map plus £500 for initial website setup and then an ongoing license fee. CM noted that the current PC records are limited and require work to ensure their accuracy. Way markers were identified as a requirement before an attempt to create a digital map of the cemetery is undertaken. Digitally mapping the cemetery was

suggested to be included in the ongoing project of improvements. 01/19.5 HCC and BDBC Draft Transport Strategy: Document circulated prior to meeting. Comments about how the document focusses heavily on Basingstoke and that more reference to outlying communities should be included. The Link bus timetable was discussed as not being fit for purpose. Referring to page 15 "providing equal opportunities for residents to access jobs and services" - people living in outlying communities cannot use the Link bus service for commuting due to the late start and early finish. Therefore they have no other option than to drive; making work/educational opportunities un-equal. Referring to page 19 "investigating options for car parking charges which would support the attractiveness of alternative modes of transportation use, in particular for longer stay uses such as commuting" it was commented that again, the current Link bus timetable does not accommodate commuters from outlying communities. Therefore, increasing parking charges would not have the desired effect and would discriminate against those who have no other option than to drive. Referring to page 28 "reviewing (the A339) in conjunction with neighbouring authorities" - it was noted that small communities located on the A339 face very long waits and cannot easily join the A339 during peak times. Referring to page 23 and the idea of investing an MRT, it was commented that there was no mention of anything to

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help outlying villages. Clerk to draft a reply and circulate to councillors. 01/19.6 Holding Field - From November OM: CM has approached three different companies for quotes to expand the car park, with a deadline of 6th February for responses. The quotes will be on a square metre basis ensuring the shape of the car park extension can be altered if necessary. After investigation, the infrastructure required to accommodate electric car charging points is substantial and so will not be included in this project. The current plan is for the works to be completed during the school Easter holidays. After a short discussion it was agreed that SA would complete a planning application for the car park extension.

CM/SA

01/19.7 Cemetery:

01/19.8

7.1. CM will do a walk round with contractors and get quotes for the various small issues that need addressing and bring proposal to next GP.

CM

After a short discussion, clearing leaves now at a one-off cost of £367.50 + VAT 7.2. and adding this to the mowing and maintenance contract was proposed and accepted.

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Resolved: One off cost of £367.50 + VAT for clearing leaves and adding

this task to the contract accepted

Spring Clean

The Great British Spring Clean: The guestion was raised about the need for Kingsclere to be involved as the village doesn't have much litter, attributed to the hard work of the litter warden. The Clerk gave quotes from various complaints she had received about litter and it All Clirs/ was agreed that a general tidy up of the public spaces would be a good idea. The 30th Clerk March was agreed on as the date and it was suggested to contact local youth groups to encourage them to get involved. Clerk to put something in The Tower and ensure correct equipment is available.

Resolved: Agreed date of 30th March for involvement in the Great British

Distribution: Cllrs: Adams; Bowes (Chairman); Farey (ex officio); Mussett; N Peach; R Peach; Price; F Sawyer & J Sawyer (ex officio). Notice Board; Website: www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk.



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01/19.9	Love Lane Footpath: After investigation the Love Lane footpath project is not eligible for the HCC Parish and Town Council investment fund but may be eligible for another fund. It was pointed out that the PC should not have to apply for funding from HCC for a project that is the responsibility of HCC. It was noted that a big majority of the project would need to be completed by HCC due to the type of works that are required. CM to email Tom Thacker for an HCC update. Clerk to email Steve Goodall, Hampshire Paths and HCC to clarify whose responsibility the path is. To be put on the agenda for next meeting. Malthouse Open Space: The Malthouse open space has been looked at by HIWWT and a report can be written giving the PC advice for £350. After a short discussion the proposal	CM/Clerk
	was approved. After investigation, BDBC have concluded that the mature ash tree requires removal due to root decay, the multi-stemmed alder needs a stem removing and both the scots pine and ash trees need ivy removing. No further tree works were identified. The trees are BDBC's responsibility so they will ensure the identified problems are resolved. Resolved: £350 for HIWWT advice report approved.	Clerk
01/19.11	Kingsclere Community Association LIF Application: The PC received a request asking for support for this application and grant applications in general relating to the infrastructure upgrades required at The Fieldgate Centre. Clerk to write a short letter of support on behalf of the PC.	Clerk
01/19.12	S106 Fund Availability:12.1. No play area improvements or projects were identified. Clerk to investigate if the	Clerk
	play area fund can be used towards a 'sports wall' to be placed on the holding field.	
	12.2. It was pointed out that the Neighbourhood Plan lists the planned projects and order of completion. NP to source quotes for owl boxes, benches, picnic tables and bins; and contact a resident to thank them for their offer of funding for an open space project. IB to source quotes for the 500m running track and outside gym.	NP IB
01/19.13	Allotments:	
	13.1. It was agreed that AP source quotes for new water trough.13.2. After a short discussion it was agreed to add AMG newsletters onto a newly created allotment page on the PC website.	AP Clerk
	 13.3. Out of 50 tenants, 19 plots remain unpaid as of 14th January 2019. Out of 50 tenants 32 have signed up for the AMG newsletter as of 14th January 2019. 13.4. It was resolved that the PC renew NAS Membership for another year at £55 Resolved: £55 for NAS Membership renewal. 	Clerk
01/19.14	Lengthsman: "The Lines" sign outside the allotments needs repairing. Straw on the road	
	and pavements in Swan Street and Newbury Road needs sweeping up. Retaining slabs on the corner of Ashford Hill Road are damaged due to a RTC and need replacing. Clerk to contact police for insurance purposes. The "No Alcohol" sign in the Malthouse Open Space needs repairing. Bollards at the bottom of Popes Hill need repainting.	Clerk
01/19.15	Tennis Club Lease: After a short discussion it was agreed to invite a Tennis Club	Clerk
01/19.16	representative to the next GP to discuss what is required for their grant application. Highways Issues: Cllr Sawyer gave short report of the A339 meeting held with members of other PCs and the Highways officers. It was noted that the PC hasn't received a reply from HCC regarding the letter of safety concerns that was sent; and also that mobility	
	scooters are being forced onto the road due to the slanting pavement at the Bear Hill end of Swan Street. The "No Through Road" sign on Basingstoke Road has disappeared, and the traffic island bollards on the A339 towards Basingstoke need repairing. Clerk to contact Highways.	Clerk
01/19.17	Rolling List: No matters that needed updating.	
01/19.18 01/19.19	Planning Applications: None Date of next meeting: Monday 11 th February 2019 7:30pm in the Village Club.	
	Meeting closed at 21:38	
Signed:	Chairman Date:	
Signed:	Parish Clerk Date:	