

**Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting GP 05/14 of  
Kingsclere Parish Council held at 7.30pm on  
Monday 12 May 2014 in the Village Club**



- GP05/14 Present:** Cllrs: Adams; Bond; Farey; Denness; N Peach: Savin; & Sawyer: Clerk: S Thompson;
- 05/14.1 Election of the GP Chairman:**  
Cllr Farey was nominated by JS, seconded by TS – unanimous vote.
- 05/14.2 Apologies:** None
- 05/14.3 Declaration of Interest:** None
- 05/14.4 Matters arising from Minutes of GP Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014**  
GP 03/14.10.i: Take up has been slow for the Allotment Competition. It was agreed that the Clerk email tenants again to try and drum up more interest. If at least 20 entries are not received we should consider abandoning the initiative at the next GP. Clerk
- 05/14.5 Volunteer of the Year Awards:**  
The Rules and Regs have not been found yet. Defer to next GP. Clerk
- 05/14.6 Kingsclere Pollinator Strategy:**  
Cllr N Peach presented her proposals and advised £100 has already been raised through plant sales. Bee boxes to be made by local youth groups. There will be a seed drive to encourage planting. All Bee keepers to be registered with BeeBase. They are hoping to site boxes at St Mary’s Church, Village Club, Fieldgate Centre, Scout Hut and the Allotments. It was unanimously **agreed** to permit bee boxes at the Allotments. It was unanimously **agreed** to contribute £76.65 for the purchase of appropriate seeds. NP
- 05/14.7 Parish Lengthsman Service:**  
Cllr Adams presented details on the Lengthmans service being promoted by HCC. There is grant funding available for up to £1000 to pay for the services of a person to walk the length of the village looking at minor maintenance jobs such as rodding pipes, clearing litter build up on drain covers, minor footpath repairs and much more. It was felt that many of the jobs are already being undertaken by the footpaths team but Clerk to contact HCC and Cllr Chapman to find out more. Clerk
- 05/14.8 Replacement of dead tree at the Flats in George Street:**  
It was unanimously **agreed** that we should seek a replacement for the dead tree. Clerk
- 05/14.9 Allotment Matters:**  
The allotments are very untidy and need strong maintenance with regular reviews to resolve the many problems. A team led by Cllr Bond, with Cllr N Peach assisting, will formulate a group to include allotment tenants, to look into all the problems. The Rules and Regulations will be reviewed and the matter of large trees on plots considered. The possibility of charging a deposit against work on surrendered allotments will also be considered as part of their remit. JB & NP
- 05/14.10 Cemetery Matters:**  
i. Muntjacks have been eating the roses in the memorial garden. Roses have now been surrounded in protective wire cages.  
ii. The area next to the Rose Garden needs to be grassed and maintained. AD will meet with contractors to discuss. Clerk to arrange.  
iii. Clerk to get quotes for directional signage for safe steps to Cemetery.
- 05/14.11 Planning Applications:**  
14/00910&911: Priors Mill – No objections
- 05/14.12 Rolling List:**  
Reviewed - no significant changes or updates.
- 05/14.13 Date of next GP Meeting:**  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014, 7:30pm at The Village Club Holding Room

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signed:..... Date:.....  
Chairman

Signed:..... Date:.....  
Parish Clerk