



Minutes of Kingsclere Parish Council General Purposes Committee Meeting
GP 08/18 held at 7.30pm on Monday 13th August 2018 in the Village Club

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- GP 08/18** **Present:** Cllrs: Bowes; Peach N; Price; Sawyer J. Clerk – Porton; Admin Assist – Read. **ACTION**
- 08/18.1** **Apologies:** Adams; Farey; Mussett
- 08/18.2** **Declarations of Interest:** 08/18/14 Allotments – IB NP AP. 08/18.18 18.1 - NP
- 08/18.3** **Matters arising:**
- 3.1** 07.18.5 Making a Difference Awards: Clerk has made approaches to the first choice person to present the awards but no response as yet. If no success with this approach the next person suggested would be approached. No official nominations have been received but some suggestions were shared. It was agreed that nominations from last year would be included this year with the nominators' support. Clerk
- 08/18.4** **Consultation on the BDBC Draft Landscape, Biodiversity and Trees Supplementary Planning Document:** Document circulated prior to meeting. Comments were supportive of the general view that it shows, however it was also noted that the rules laid out in the document would need to be reinforced actively for them to be effective. Referred to the next GP meeting so all councillors have an opportunity to submit comments for the response.
- 08/18.5** **BDBC Horizon 2050 Consultation:** Document circulated prior to meeting. Comments were positive and supportive of the document. It was noted that it would need to be implemented across the whole borough for maximum effect. Clerk to respond. Clerk
- 08/18.6** **Allotment/Pony Paddock tree quote - £320 + VAT:**
Resolved – Cost of £320 + VAT approved.
- 08/18.7** **Churchyard Laurel Removal Quote - £355.00 + VAT:**
Resolved – Cost of £355 + VAT approved. Clerk to notify PCC.
- 08/18.8** **Cemetery:** Discussion about maintenance and decorations. A request has been received for a fence to be installed around the ashes plots. All agreed that installing a fence or similar around the ashes plots would interrupt the feel of the cemetery. It was noted that the previous fence had been removed following a risk assessment and a decision made not to replace it. Changes to the layout to be considered once CM has presented his improvement plan. Cllrs to consider other options to enhance the area designated for ashes.
- 08/18.9** **War Memorial:** Clerk has received two quotes for surveying the War Memorial. One of the quotes does not meet specifications required because it is a daily rate, not a fixed price. Clerk to go back to them and ask for a reformed survey quote and set price. It was suggested to approach the National Trust or the Royal British Legion and enquire if they have any recommended companies they use for this type of survey which we could contact. Clerk
- 08/18.10** **Church Fete:** Shelters and decorations were discussed. RP is able to provide a gazebo and the Fieldgate Centre also has one we can use if needed. All councillors to ensure various projects and documents for the Church Fete are completed by the next OM. Referred to next OM. All Cllrs
- 08/18.11** **Spring Bulbs:** £200 requested and approved for the year's supply of bulbs. Planting this year will be concentrated in the Malthouse Open Space.
Resolved – Budget of £200 approved
- 08/18.12** **Parish Online:** Subscription to Parish Online was agreed to be renewed at £118 + VAT.
Resolved – Subscription cost of £118 + VAT approved.
- 08/18.13** **Village of the Year:** The proposed plan for 15th August 2018 when the judges are due to visit was discussed. Clerk to provide a map and copies of the Parish Paths map, Millennium map and July and August 2018 editions of the Kingsclere Tower Magazine. Clerk
- 08/18.14** **Allotments:** Clerk reported that 1I has been offered and 2K(b) and 3K are available. Clerk is in contact with three non-residents, waiting for confirmation of address. There is one other person on the non-residents waiting list.
- 08/18.15** **Highways Issues:** It was noted that road C57 from Old Burghclere to Foxs Lane has been resurfaced up until Bear Hill and road markings still haven't been added. Clerk to contact HCC to bring this to their attention and also clarify why the resurfacing has not been continued to the end of Foxs Lane. It was also noted that Newbury Road from the bridge over Gailey Brook to Foxs Lane was in poor condition. Speed limit signs on Winchester Road are still covered by overgrown hedges, Clerk to write to property owner and ask them to cut hedges back. The 50mph speed limit sign on Newbury Road just past The Star Inn is missing, Clerk to contact Highways to inform them. It has been noted that large curb stones are posing a danger on the side of the road past Pitt Hall Farm after the speed limit changes. All items to be logged with HCC Highways. Clerk



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08/18.16 Rolling List:

16.1 Community Orchard: Fence is no longer required on the west boundary of the field because the hedge has matured. Clerk has requested a quote for an 8 ft gate to go on the entrance to the pony paddock from Longcroft Road. The gate at the entrance to the A339 needs replacing, Clerk to ask for a quote for a second gate. Clerk to also ask Parish Paths to clear the kissing gate.

Clerk

08/18.17 Action List: Deferred to next meeting.

08/18.18 Planning Applications:

18.1. 18/02034/RET – no objections

18.2. 18/02192/FUL – no objections

18.3. T/00280/18/TCA – no objections, however it was noted to ask the resident to replace trees where possible.

08/18.19 Date of next GP Committee Meeting: Monday 10th September 2018 at 7:30pm in the Village Club

Meeting closed at 21:10

Signed:.....Chairman

Date:.....

Signed:.....Parish Clerk

Date:.....