

Kings Worthy Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 19th September 2016 at the Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road, Kings Worthy

Present:	Chair of the meeting:	Martin Taylor
	Councillors:	Ian Gordon, Les Haswell, Dorry Hudson, Karen McCleery, Noel McCleery, Denis Welstead and Sarah White.
	Hampshire County Council (HCC):	None
	Winchester City Council WCC):	Malcolm Prince
	Clerk:	Christopher Read
	Public:	None
	Police:	None

Action

PC/16/114 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Bob Barnes, Mandy Hallisey, Stewart Newell and Judith Steventon Baker.

PC/16/115 Public Question Time

None.

PC/16/116 Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th July 2016

The minutes of the Parish Council (PC) meeting on the 18th July were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

PC/16/117 Development at Top Field – update

Top Field Footpath Dedications – Cllr White noted that a reply to the letter regarding the dedication of footpaths on Top Field had been received from Liz Ellam (WCC legal department). The letter states that the dedication of the footpaths is on hold until the various planning issues have been determined.

Local Plan Part 2 – Cllr Gordon reported to the council that he and Cllr Newell had attended the first two LPP2 meetings. Drew Smith queried the windfall figures at the meetings. However, the planning inspector has now approved Kings Worthy's windfall figures.

Signage – Signs have appeared on Kym Bishops Walk, on either side of the road bridge. Photographs of these signs were shown to the committee. The clerk has ascertained by telephone that despite their name being used on the sign, the Department for Transport are not responsible for erecting them. One of the signs is on PC land.

It was agreed to email a photograph of the signs to the Department of Transport and ask for written confirmation that they were not responsible for their erection.

Clerk

PC/16/118 Development off Lovedon Lane – update

Cllr White and Hudson met with Catherine Haigh (HAB - Landscape Architect). The timeframe for the site has been delayed due to delays with the foundations and the new park will now be transferred to the Parish Council in April 2019. HAB are still intending to maintain the new park for 2 years the transfer to the Parish Council. There is also a webcam on the site taking snapshots of the development as it progresses.

Cllr White and Hallisey met with are representative of Maverick Industries to discuss pump tracks. They provide concrete pump tracks that are landscaped to blend in with their surroundings.

Cllr Prince (WCC) noted that the Parish Council needs to ensure that the walking/running track around the edge of new park is integrated with Eversley Park.

PC/16/119 Reports from the County Councillor, City Councillors, School Governor and Parish Councillors following external meetings

o County Councillor

See the report attached for September.

Cllr Taylor highlighted the following information provided by Cllr Porter (HCC).

- o The changes to the Cart & Horses Junction are going to be starting in October.

It was agreed to place a link to the change.org petition to reduce the speed limit through the Cart & Horses Junction, on the Parish Council's website and Facebook page. It will also state that the Parish Council supports a reduction in the speed limit through the junction.

- o The school hedge is to be planted at the end of October.

Cllr White showed pictures to the council showing two newly erected fences that now directly abut the edge of the path alongside the school. The boundary with HCC's land is believed to be the middle of the hedge. Thus these fences are now encroaching on HCC land.

By majority decision it was agreed that on this occasion the Parish Council will not be asking HCC to pursue this matter.

o City Councillors

See the report attached for September.

Cllr Prince (WCC) highlighted the items on the report.

Cllr Welstead asked Cllr Prince (WCC) for his opinion with regards to the amount of traffic that may go through the railway bridge on Wellhouse Lane. Cllr Prince (WCC) stated that the traffic from Kings Barton will not be able to turn right when leaving the development, thus there should be no major increase in traffic in that direction.

Cllr Gordon noted that the school transport for children that attend Henry Beaufort School may be effected by the Kings Barton development.

- o **School Governor**

Cllr Gordon reported to the council on the recent governors meeting.

- o **Parish Councillors following external meetings**

Cllr Taylor attended a flood mitigation meeting, in Cllr Newell's stead. The HCC representatives were at first unaware of any flooding that had occurred north of the A34 bridge. Both Cllr Taylor and Cllr Porter (HCC) made it clear that there was an issue with flooding in Kings Worthy along the Springvale Road.

The representatives from HCC did note that the housing along Springvale Road, as you enter Kings Worthy from the south west, are partly responsible for maintaining the drainage ditch that runs under their entrance due to riparian responsibilities affecting these properties.

There was also discussion on standardisation of the drainage pipe diameters along Springvale Road.

PC/16/120 Matters arising from the Meeting of the 18th July 2016

PC/16/105 Cart & Horses junction – see PC/16/119 above.

PC/16/106 Postcode Change – The Royal Mail have confirmed that they will not give the Parish Council a new postcode.

PC/16/105 Footpaths

Parish Lengthsman Scheme – Cllr White reported to the council on the Lengthsman scheme and what the Lengthsman can be used for. It was noted that if the funding stops, the Parish Council would then need to find the money.

It was agreed to ask South Wonston, Itchen Valley and Littleton & Harestock about their experiences with the Lengthsman scheme.

Clerk

PC/16/111 Automated External defibrillators (AED)

Cllr White highlighted that whilst somebody goes to retrieve the defibrillator AED units, someone will need to perform CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) on the patient to keep them alive. There are various training options for groups which could be used to train local Parishioners.

Cllr Gordon noted suggested that funds could be raised with sponsorship to pay for AED units.

It was agreed to ask the Ambulance Service for any data they have for Kings Worthy of occurrences of serious injury/death related to the lack of an AED unit.

Clerk

Cllr Taylor

Cllr Taylor is to investigate possible sponsorship funding for AED units

It was also agreed to order a free pack from the British Heart Foundation to train a group of 10 parishioners to be able perform CPR.

Cllr White

(Cllr Prince [WCC] left at this point)

PC/16/121 To receive Minutes of the Committees:

Planning and Highways Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 26th July & 30th August had been previously circulated.

Cllr Gordon highlighted the following points:

- Sale request for house on Blackberry Fields.
- Possible new car parking area behind St Marys Chapel Hall.
- Commercial vehicle parking on Springvale Road – Cllr Gordon noted that Aggregate Industries and the Police have confirmed the vehicles are parked legally. This is due to the reduction of the speed limit to 30mph.
There is also planning restriction on Elan Court precluding the parking of non-residential vehicles on the site.
- Tudor Cottage – This application was passed by WCC planning committee despite previous decision stating it was dangerous. Cllr Gordon and Newell are meeting with WCC, along with Cllr Jackie Porter (WCC), to discuss this issue.

Recreation & Amenities Committee (R&A)

The minutes of the meeting on 8th September had been previously circulated.

Cllr White highlighted the following points:

- Planting outside Parish Office – An amended planting scheme has now been formulated, with the help of Charlotte Smith (HCC landscape advisor) due to amounts of shade in this area.
- Parish Walkabout
Broadview sections – It was agreed to cut back sections 3 & 12 of Broadview in the next round of tree works.
Phil Jeffs (Worthy Plants) suggested cutting back the current regrowth to the tree line, on previously completed areas by 1-1.5 metres.
Fencing – Quotations have been requested for new post & wire fencing for sections of upper & lower Broadview; as well as replacement fencing around the mosaic.
New Trees & Hedging – Phil Jeffs (Worthy Plants) has been asked to quote for some new trees at Eversley Park, as well as some yew to fill in the gaps on the north western boundary hedge.
Bench Refurbishment – Contractor has been given until the end of September to finish this tranche of 6 benches.
Litter Pick – The next litter pick will be on the 29th October, from 2-4pm.

Finance, Administration & Remuneration Committee (FAR)

The minutes of the meeting on 10th August & 14th September had been previously circulated.

Cllr Taylor highlighted the following points:

- Natwest Bank – There has been further delays with Natwest bank with the transfer of our accounts; Cllr Gordon is to write a letter to them to complain.
- Pest Control – Due to non-performance issues with our current provider it was agreed to proceed with procuring a pest control service from another company.

**Cllr
Gordon

Clerk**

Cllr Hudson queried why the section regarding the picnic bench had been edited. Cllr Taylor noted that it was not intentionally edited and apologised for the mistake.

- o New website domain name – Advice had been sought from JISC (gov.uk domain regulator) with regards to advertising on gov.uk domain names. Whilst they do not ban adverts on gov.uk domains, they do not recommend they are hosted on gov.uk domains. If they are, it is the responsibility of the Parish Council to monitor the adverts to ensure the integrity of the website.

It was agreed to proceed with the domain 'kingsworthy-pc.org.uk' and to also purchase the domain 'kingsworthy-pc.uk'.

- o Wealth Management Company Advertisement – A request to purchase a 12 month rolling advert on our website had been received from a wealth management company based in Otterbourne. It was agreed not to accept the advert as the company is not sufficiently local.

PC/16/126 Clerk's Notices

None.

PC/16/127 Chairman's Notices

Devolution Consultation – It was noted that insufficient independent information had been supplied to make an informed response.

PC/16/128 Items for discussion at the Next Meeting

Nothing other than as above.

PC/16/129 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 17th October 2016.

The meeting closed at 22:17.

Signed..... Date.....

Kings Worthy Parish Council
Management Accounts for the period ended 31 August 2016

2015/16 Actual (Full Year) (£)	Current Month Budget (£)	Current Month Actual (£)	Current Month Variance (£)	Income Item/Description	2016/2017 Budget ytd (£)	Actual ytd (£)	Variance ytd (£)	2016/2017 Budget (£)	Forecast Outturn (£)	2017/18 Budget (Proposed) (£)
121,973	9,857	27,012	17,155	Finance (inc. Precept)	49,284	66,824	17,539	119,221	0	0
4,808	2,000	2,000	0	THMC Income	2,000	2,000	0	4,800	0	0
21,287	463	1,300	837	Recreation & Amenities	4,054	3,604	(450)	8,092	0	0
0	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	0	0	0	0	0	0
148,068	12,319	30,312	17,993	Total Income	55,339	72,428	17,089	132,113	0	0
				Expenditure Item/Description						
69,160	8,478	4,722	3,756	Finance	30,690	26,459	4,231	66,940	0	0
89,539	10,751	8,030	2,721	Recreation & Amenities	32,463	29,607	2,857	93,665	0	0
5,927	0	0	0	Planning & Highways	0	0	0	8,750	0	0
164,626	19,229	12,752	6,477	Total Expenses	63,153	56,065	7,088	169,355	0	0
148,068	12,319	30,312	17,993	Total Income	55,339	72,428	17,089	132,113	0	0
164,626	19,229	12,752	6,477	Total Expenses	63,153	56,065	7,088	169,355	0	0
(16,558)	(6,909)	17,561	24,470	Net Surplus (deficit) for year	(7,815)	16,362	24,177	(37,241)	0	0

Bank Reconciliation as at**31 August 2016**

Bank: NatWest Current a/c		£43,355.32
NatWest Deposit a/c		£0.62
Co-Operative Bank Fixed Term Deposit		£75,000.00
Unit Trust current account		£22,275.10
Unity Trust deposit account		£0.00
		<u>£140,631.04</u>
Less u/p cheques and D/Ds:		
5881 M.R.S. Services	£994.25	
	<u>£994.25</u>	£994.25
Add u/p credits:		
	£0.00	
	<u>£0.00</u>	£0.00
		<u>£139,636.79</u>
Current account as per NatWest bank		£43,355.32
Less: unpresented cheques		£994.25
Add: unpresented credits		
Balance as per ledger		<u>£42,361.07</u>
Current account as per Unity Trust bank		£22,275.10
Less: unpresented cheques		£0.00
Add: unpresented credits		£0.00
Balance as per ledger		<u>£22,275.10</u>

County Councillor Report to Parishes September 2016

Highways Grass Cutting: Many have complained: it is now once per year from 2016, carried out in June or July. Can I ask you please to tell me the effect of this change, and whether you think it is a good idea? You can also write direct to the HCC Exec member responsible: rob.humby@hants.gov.uk

Recycling Centres: from JANUARY 2017, all will be closed on Thursdays, and do not open until 11am. Closing times: 4pm winter/6pm summer. Charges are being introduced for plasterboard/rubble etc from 1st October 2016- whether you are a builder or homemaker.

Devolution- frankly, who knows? The whole process is on a roller coaster right now following our new PM's statements, but I urge Parishes to keep up to date with any announcement seminars offered by WCC and HCC as the process is bound to put more responsibility on Parishes. **Please go to hants.gov.uk website to put your point of view on the consultation on the future of government in Hampshire by 20th Sept.**

School journeys: I am frequently asked about making journeys to school safer and try to respond accordingly. I have recently been in conversation with residents, and will discuss proposals at the PC meeting. The parents' ideas may well be of use in other areas too. I will try to organise meetings about this aspect of school life with Parishes this term. Generally if it's safer for children, it's safer for adults too!

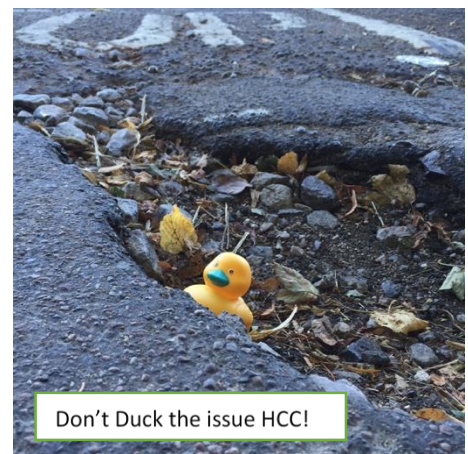
Boomtown: I have been beset with queries and complaints about the effects on locals of the heavy traffic for this event-but not Blissfields or Carfest. Am I correct that these two cause little disruption locally-particularly on exit day? I need to know what they do right and Boomtown do wrong (apart from the huge numbers of course!)

Cart and Horses Junction: I realise this does not affect all parishes, but it does affect many of you. I have reflected local concerns about this and have received back a series of responses from HCC, including one from the Director. I do not accept his suggestions and have gone back to him for a meeting to challenge the proposals. I welcome support from local Parishes on this if you want to be involved. (proposals will be sent separately on request). You can also sign the Change.org website petition: "Make it safer-make it 40"

The Watercress Way Charity was approved in the Summer: Reg No 1167675. Trustees are meeting with Parishes to explain plans and affirm your support for this exciting project. Could you please let us know when would be convenient? At a PC meeting, a sub committee or a separate event? Please contact secretary: mikecollis76@gmail.com

Potholes are being marked up but I have increasingly found that they (and other safety issues) are not mended as Amey's contract drops into its last year. I would be grateful if you could, please, note the date of any white lines put around a hole so we can judge the efficacy of current reporting. Thank you

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City Councillors’ September Monthly Update

Cart & Horses Junction:

This is a major issue with a large number of residents concerned about the layout and speed of vehicles. The Police are reluctant to reduce the speed limit without strong public opinion. Hence we have launched a petition, which is available on change.org.uk and a Freepost response in Focus. To date we have over 270 signatures but are aiming for 500. Please sign so that we can take an important step towards making this junction safe.

Noise from the Railway Line:

A number of residents from across the Worthys have complained to us regarding increased noise from the railway following relaying the track in summer 2015. We have discussed the matter with Network Rail who advised us that they will be taking remedial action to soften the noise. This we believe will involve placing ‘dampers’ between the rails and new concrete sleepers.

Kings Barton (previously known as Barton Farm) Update

The first new houses are now being occupied, although this is limited to circa 12 on the site of the former farm. We are advised that the first batch of houses on the main site will not be ready for residents until April 2017.

A new central area is planned which will include a supermarket, six shop units, primary school, adult education (Peter Symonds), Care Home, Community Building and parking.

Lovedon Lane Development

Show house is planned to be ready for December 2016. The meadow or country park will be ready for late 2017. This will feature a running /cycling trail, various paths, allotments and a community orchard. A meeting with the Parish Council, developers and City Councillors is required to effectively integrate/link this new area and facilities with Eversley Park.

Health and Well-Being

A prime goal for your City Councillors is the promotion of healthy living in and around the Worthys. Through working with Connecting Kings Worthy we are seeking to promote activities and highlight pathways. The route from Nations Hill alongside the school has been widened and a permissive path is in place at Bull Farm. The Watercress Way has now received charitable status. A major objective for all paths is improved signage.

Mayor of Winchester – Cllr Jane Rutter

Jane continues to live a hectic life attending and organising events throughout Winchester & District. The next major challenge is a 90 mile sponsored cycle ride covering most population centres in the District. On Tuesday, 20 June her final stop will be at Tubbs Hall (at around 5.30 – 6pm) before cycling to the finish back at Abbey House in Winchester.

To enquire about having the Mayor at your next event, please email the Mayor’s Secretary at C-Mayoralty@winchester.gov.uk.

A copy of the special Mayor’s insert for Focus will be distributed at the Parish Council Meeting.