

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KINGS HILL PARISH COUNCILS' CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 05 OCTOBER 2023 AT 6.00 P.M. IN THE KINGS HILL COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Cllrs. Colman, Mclymont & Sherlaw

ALSO PRESENT: Officers. K. Bell (Clerk to the Council) & D. Bayley (Assistant Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Petty and Cllr Barker.

Cllr Colman opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

CC & E 20 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: It was proposed, seconded and: **RESOLVED:** To approve the apologies of Cllr. Petty (Personal commitment) and Cllr Barker (Prior Commitment)

Unanimous

CC & E 21 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND / OR LOBBYING: There were none.

CC & E 22 TO DECLARE AN INTENTION TO RECORD: There were none.

CC & E 23 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

CC & E 23.1 It was proposed, seconded and: **RESOLVED:** That the minutes from the meeting held on 07 September 2023 be approved.

CC & E 23.2 Matters Arising not included elsewhere on the agenda: There were none.

CC & E 24 CLIMATE CHANGE ISSUES

CC & E 24.1 Climate Change Action Plan: The Action Plan was approved. It was proposed, seconded and: **RESOLVED:** KHPC will use Climate Change Action Plan.

Unanimous

CC & E 24.2 To consider Kings Hill Climate Change progress to date: It was discussed the Community Centre are starting to introduce Eco friendly cleaning products and degradable bin bags.

Noted

CC & E 24.3 Recycling Week 2023 (17.10.23 – 23.10.23): It was discussed KHPC are to replace three general waste bins in and around the Community Centre with split bins for recycling. A book recycling unit has been installed at the CC, once books arrive, we can promote this.

Noted

CC & E 25 ENVIRONMENT ISSUES

CC & E 25.1 Kings Hill Tree Wardens: No new information has been received from the Tres wardens or TMBC Tree officer.

Noted

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CC & E 25.2 Coronation Tree: Following a discussion, it has been decided that we will not proceed with the commemorative tree but to explore installing a 'King 'themed addition to Anson Avenue Park.

It was proposed, seconded and:

RESOLVED: That we will not be planting a Coronation Tree.

Unanimous

CC & E 25.3 2023 Tree Survey Report: Arrange for advised works to be carried out. **Noted**

CC & E 25.4 Anti Dog Fouling "Bag and Flag" event: Following a discussing it was:

RESOLVED: No action required.

Unanimous

CC & E 26 ALLOTMENTS

CC & E 26.1 Potential for raised and accessible "beds" on the unusable plots and the availability of smaller plots: It was discussed to investigate splitting some vacant plots in half and adding accessible raise beds to unworkable plots (previously agreed **CC & E 17.2**). To source additional quotes.

It was proposed, seconded and:

RESOLVED: Vancant plots can be halved.

Unanimous

CC & E 26.2 Installation of Pedestrian Gate: Need to acquire additional quotes.

Noted

CC & E 26.3 To consider potential for "wilding" and bees at the area between the two allotment sites: Will return to this when we have information from Golf club to coordinate.

Noted

CC & E 26.4 Solar Power on the "Big Shed" Communal Area: No new information.

Noted

CC & E 26.5 Personalisation of individual Plots: Discussion on picnic benches or ornaments on allotments.

It was proposed, seconded and:

RESOLVED: No objections if plot is following usage guidelines.

Unanimous

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CC & E 26.6 Meetings between the CC & E Committee, the Allotment holders Representative and Allotment Holders: Informal meeting held on 24 September 2023 at the Allotments. This was attended by Cllr Barker, K Bell, and D Bayley. We managed to speak to a handful of plot holders. Following a discussion, it was decided that an allotment Panel would attend rather than CC&E Committee.

It was proposed, seconded and:

RESOLVED: Cllr Colman, Cllr, Mclymontand Cllr Sherlaw would form an Allotment Panel.

Unanimous

CC & E 26.7 Allotment Recycle Policy: To review in November.

Noted

CC & E 27 2023 PLAY EQUIPMENT ROSPA INSPECTION: Inspections due end of October 2023. Date TBC.

Noted

CC & E 28 SLOW WAYS NATIONAL WALKING NETWORK: To contact neighbouring Parishes to ask involvement.

Noted

CC & E 29 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: 02 November 2023, confirmation, and time subject to PC approval.

There being no additional business the meeting concluded at 19:00 hours.

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