

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Lands Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 10th March 2020 at 7.45pm.

Present: Mr J Bowley (Chairman), Mr M Bray, Mr R Abeywardana, Mrs E Ashley, Mrs L Jarvis, Mr R Mantel, Mrs T Ramsden, Mr T Winchester & Mrs S Wisdom.

Clerk: Mrs L Moffatt.

1. **Public Questions.** None.
2. **Apologies.** Mrs J Duffield.
3. **Declaration of interest in items on the agenda.** Mrs T Ramsden & Mr M Bray declared interest as allotment holders. Mr M Bray declared an interest in item 10.1.3 and withdrew from discussions and voting on this item.
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 11th February 2020.**
Approval of the minutes as a true and accurate record proposed Mr M Bray, seconded Mrs E Ashley, motion carried unanimously.
5. **Matters arising.** None.
6. **Monthly reports on Parish Lands maintenance (to note):**
 - 6.1 Village Ranger
 - 6.1.1 KGVR Children's tyre – fixing replaced.
 - 6.1.2 Stanlake Meadow – entrance gate – Ranger to replace rotten posts.
 - 6.2 Park Warden – no items to report.
 - 6.3 Clerk's report
 - 6.3.1 Membership information from tennis club & Cricket club (circulated 20.01.20 & 04.03.20). Adult membership information – carried forward.
 - 6.3.2 Purchase of spray paint £129.42. Noted.
 - 6.3.3 Purchase of Stanlake Pavilion cleaning products £43.84. Noted.
 - 6.3.4 Reports of glass both at KGVR & Stanlake Pavilion 29th Feb / 1st March. Noted.
 - 6.3.5 Reports of metal posts in tennis court gully – quote to be obtained to have posts cut to ground level.
7. **Tree risk assessments** – circulated 19.11.19 & further information 08.01.20
 - 7.1 Feedback from tree risk assessor – tree 103 Oak – Stanlake Copse (email 13.02.20) Advice from the tree risk assessor reported that there is no imminent danger. By nature of the defect the tree has potential for failure. The tree will continue to be monitored and consideration to be given to cable bracing it.
 - 7.2 Stanlake copse works – work to be carried out 13.03.20 – Stephen Loyd has offered to oversee.
 - 7.3 To consider quotes – burial ground. Unanimously approved the quote for £300 for the burial ground tree works. [Note: 2020/21 budget]
8. **Climate emergency action**
 - 8.1 An audit of where we are now (emailed 03.02.20 & 04.03.20). Mr J Bowley & Mrs B Ditcham to respond to clerk.
 - 8.2 To consider current position & actions – carried forward.
9. **Twyford Green Taskforce** Mr R Abeywardana reported – meetings to be arranged with the social prescriber and working group. The clerk has drafted an application for lottery funding.
10. **Allotments.**
 - 10.1 **Hurst Rd.**
 - 10.1.1 Hurst Road plot availability – 6 plots available. Noted.
 - 10.1.2 To consider purchasing a new banner – Mrs T Ramsden proposed purchasing two banners at a cost of £92.22, seconded Mrs S Wisdom, 4 in favour, 5 against. motion fell.
Mr M Bray proposed to purchase one banner at a cost of £49.86, seconded Mr T Winchester, motion carried nem con.
 - 10.1.3 Request for permission – 10ftx8ft greenhouse – approved.
 - 10.1.4 Flytipping – vegetative rubbish / soil / building materials / furniture from Orpington Road boundary. Agreed for the clerk to send letters to the four properties saying that the Council won't tolerate fly tipping.

- 10.2 **London Rd.**
- 10.2.1 London Road plot availability – 1 available. Noted.
- 11. Millennium Garden, Jubilee Corner, Burial Ground & War Memorial.**
- 11.1 Report on cremations & burials. Noted.
- 11.2 Report on memorials. Noted.
- 11.3 Options for woodland remembrance garden and book – report on memorial book charges & overall feasibility - carried forward.
- 11.4 Book swap cupboard – to report any update - carried forward.
- 11.5 To consider online mapping of burial ground information – to consider quote (circulated 17.01.19). Link to Parish Online circulated 12.02.20. Agreed for the Parish Online software to be considered by the Finance Committee as this will benefit all committees. Burial ground mapping idea to be archived for the time being pending progress of Parish Online Software.
- 11.6 Jubilee Corner tree works completed – photos circulated 09.03.20.
- 11.7 Fence repairs completed – photos circulated 17.02.20.
- 12. Bell Corner & Polehampton Corner – no items to report.**
- 13. King George V Recreation Ground.**
- 13.1 CCTV – link to 3 quotes circulated 03.09.19 GCD Security felt that the tests on 10.02.20 were successful. Photos and videos have been passed to the clerk and will be circulated.
- 13.2 Playground reports and quotes for repairs KGVR & Stanlake Meadow – February reports awaited.
- 13.3 New hedge parallel to Longfield Road hedge - carried forward.
- 13.3.1 To arrange meeting with contractor
- 13.3.2 To liaise with local schools – possible involvement
- 13.4 Tennis Club
- 13.4.1 Overgrowth from Sycamores – quote for stump grinding - carried forward.
- 13.4.2 Flooding at the tennis club entrance gate – agreed for a quote for remedial work to be sought – the tennis club asked for this to be put on hold pending proposals to be put to the Council.
- 13.4.3 Feedback from meeting on court surface following clean. Mr M Bray reported that the surface weathering is due to the aging process and is as good as can be expected. The contractors suggest repainting the courts next season.
- 13.5 Twycombe Lodge rent review – decision to be made next month. Clerk to follow up with Ballards, consult Romans and look at Zoopla.
- 13.6 Resident request to make (easterly) path wider (photos circulated 03.03.20) Agreed in the first instance for the Ranger to explore whether the path extends under the mud debris at the side of the path. If so, Clerk to obtain quote for clearance of the side of the path.
- 13.7 Waste arrangements – move to Volker. Noted.
- 13.8 Permission for Easter Egg Hunt 28.03.20 – approved.
- 14. Stanlake Meadow.**
- 14.1 Cricket club agreement – Cricket Club feedback – carried forward.
- 14.2 Copse project update
- 14.2.1 Twyford forest update - £2800 was raised on the crowd funding, £500 is to be donated by the Liebreoch Foundation Charity and further orders have been received in response to the RG10 article. The clerk is meeting with Mrs R Howard and Mr S Loyd to plan the tree layout and also to plan the lectern information board.
- 14.2.2 Lectern sign update (as above)
- 14.2.3 To consider purchasing rustic bird boxes £30, RSPB robin box £14, rustic bug boxes £18, RSPB Tawny Owl box £95, RSPB tit box £16 Proposed Mrs S Wisdom, seconded Mrs L Jarvis to purchase a Tawny Owl Box and bug box at a cost of £113 plus postage. Motion carried unanimously. Agreed to consider purchasing a bench – clerk to obtain a quote from Winson Woodcraft.
- 14.2.4 Planting day – Saturday 28th November. Mrs R Howard had planned to

contact the fire brigade to help with watering. Clerk to contact the scouts to ask if they would provide a marquee and serve hot refreshments (burgers and drinks). Alternatively the Youth Centre to be asked or Sonning Scouts.

14.2.5 Friends of Stanlake Copse working group – carried forward.

14.2.6 Watering arrangements – Mr M Bray and the clerk had met with a representative from Hamblin Watermains. Two quotes had been subsequently received:

Water connection from existing cricket pitch connection to new tree plantation £8,980.

Water connection from gate to tree plantation £1,590.

Clerk to make application to Thames Water for a survey and quote for connection. Agreed for a connection in the ground like the cricket one with a preference for a lockable cover. Consideration to be given to how watering equipment can be made available to volunteers carrying out the watering.

14.3 To consider using the JAC service to engage with youths – to consider proposal & quote - carried forward.

14.4 Hedge Laying - to consider quotes. Proposed Mr T Winchester, seconded Mr M Bray to accept the quote for £2,320 for hedge laying between the two gates on the hedge parallel to Stanlake Lane. Motion carried unanimously. [Note: 2020/21 budget]

14.5 To consider a Green Cemetery – Mrs S Wisdom to report back with more information.

14.6 To agree a wildflower expanse of long grass – railwayline end. To consider in Spring 2021 once the trees have been planted.

14.7 Football pitch drainage – possibility to move pitch? To consider drainage quote - carried forward.

14.8 Cowl over padlock – clerk to meet with Mr T Winchester to look at the height bar padlock to see if this might be an option.

14.9 Beer Festival – Marquee to be collected on the Monday – approved.

14.10 Honeycomb planter costings – proposed Mrs T Ramsden, seconded Mrs S Wisdom a budget of £100 for the planted project. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Stanlake Pavilion.

15.1 Colleton After School Club – request for an amended contract and price for 4 days Monday – Thursday. Proposed Mr R Mantel, seconded Mr T Winchester a weekly charge of £185. Motion carried 7 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstained.

15.2 Citizens Advice request for use of the pavilion – approved subject to availability.

15.3 Combi boiler scale reducer or thermostatic mixer valve scale issue – quote £136. Proposed Mrs E Ashley, seconded Mrs S Wisdom, carried unanimously.

16. Correspondence –

16.1 Resident correspondence – Have the Council considered installing a path around the whole of the perimeter of KGVR? Response made 04.02.20. Noted.

17. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 14th April 2020 at Loddon Hall.

The meeting closed at 21.39 pm