

Minutes of the HWPC Kings Barton Committee

Meeting held 7.30pm. Monday 21st April 2025 at
Barton Farm Primary School

Present:	Cllrs	R Watters (Chair), A De Stefano, M Leone, M Iredale.
	Non Cllrs	P Turner, E Barber
	WCC & HCC Cllrs	J Rutter, S Cramoysan
Apologies:		M Turner
Clerk:		Belinda Baker
Public:		Two

- KB/25/001** **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Mr M Turner.
- KB/25/002** **To receive declarations of pecuniary interests (DPIs) and other significant interests from members concerning specific items on the agenda**
There were none.
- KB/25/003** **Public Participation**
The members of public questioned the design and layout of the new junction at Welhouse Lane and Winchester Ave.
- KB/25/004** **Approve Minutes of Meeting of 17th March 2025**
- a. To approve and sign the minutes of 17th March 2025**
The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.
- b. To deal with matters arising not on the agenda.**
- The Clerk noted that the new trees and hedging in the Orchard were doing well and showing signs of growth.
 - Issues with the parking around the diversion at the bottom of Winchester Ave were no longer occurring. Cllr Iredale confirmed that the Peter Symonds students had been told not to park there.
- c. To deal with any correspondence**
- A resident had queried the use of, and what would be grown in, the open space in Granadiers Rd.

KB/25/005 City and County Cllrs report

- i Cllr Porter had circulated a report before the meeting. She did not attend. There were no queries.
- ii The City Cllrs reports had been circulated before the meeting. There were no comments.

KB/25/006 CALA

a. Winchester Avenue

This was now open. It was noted that a resident had asked that there should be a compacted path surface for cyclists.

b. Park and Ride

Cllr Cramoysan commented that CALA was responsible for the parking part and HCC for the bus operation.

c. Small pieces of land

This Clerk circulated a map provided by CALA (KB/24/165d) that illustrated the position of the small pieces of land due to go to the Management Co. Cllr Watters said he felt HWPC would be able to manage the maintenance better than Anthem. Cllr Iredale pointed out that the PC would be doing so without the VAT charge. Cllr Rutter cautioned taking on extra responsibility and queried if it was manageable. It was noted the land would not come with a commuted sum. The Clerk was asked to verify this with CALA. The Committee unanimously agreed for the small pieces of land (coloured in blue on CALA's map) to be transferred to the PC.

Action: Clerk

d. Timings for the availability of Football pitches

The Clerk said that CALA wanted to agree, for planning purposes, the times the football pitches were to be open. She pointed out that although the pitches were not floodlit there were portable temporary lights that could be used and suggested that the timings accommodated this possibility otherwise planning permission would need to be sought for any use after dark. She was asked to check other times for WCC pitches.

Action: Clerk

KB/25/007 Meadowside Park

a. Replacement Matting

CALA had confirmed that they were prepared to install mulch matting as opposed to just lifting the grass matting with the PC paying the extra cost. However, no quotation had been supplied.

Action: Clerk

b. Maintenance tender and rubbish emptying

The letter confirming Grass and Grounds as the contractor to maintain the playground was agreed by the Committee. Cllr Iredale was pursuing her contact for emptying the bin.

Action: Cllr Iredale, Clerk

c. Handover of park to HWPC

This had not progressed.

Action: Clerk

KB/25/008 Welhouse Woods

a. Destruction of woodland by CALA

CALA had admitted that they should not have removed the trees and scrub,

that had been part of the Welhouse Woods transfer, when they had needed to connect the drainage pipes at the Park and Ride to the balancing pond in Welhouse Woods. CALA had been apologetic and had agreed to replace the trees, shrubs and bulbs (planted by the PC). It was agreed that the Autumn was the best time for this. CALA agreed to present HWPC with proposed replacements.

b. Consider necessary maintenance

The Clerk had met with Greensmile. The proposal for maintenance of the area had been circulated to the Committee and was agreed. Cllr Rutter asked that picnic benches be installed around the balancing pond. It was agreed to put on the next month's Agenda.

Action: Clerk

KB/25/009 Greenfields Park

The quarterly inspection report was noted as not containing significant risks and that the wood splits (KB/24/139) had tightened.

a. Consider proposal from KBRA to install other equipment

It was acknowledged that the play area had only equipment for young children. Cllr Watters asked KBRA to consider what they would like to be installed. The matter was referred to the next month's Agenda.

Action: Mr P Turner

KB/25/010 Litter bins

a. Proposal for a Biffa bin for the collection of rubbish from community bins

The Clerk had asked Mr Farrell for a collection bin to be placed in the area behind Greenfields Park (KB/24/168). She said that he had been positive and although she had not had it confirmed, CALA appeared to have fenced off the area.

Action: Clerk

KB/24/011 Community Building

a. Update WG's recommendation for the management of the building

Cllr Watters updated the Committee to say that he and Cllr Rutter felt that the Community Building should be managed by HWPC. He said he felt it was unlikely that any trustees would come forward from the community. The Clerk pointed out that PC had paid for advice on appropriate management vehicles and the PC could not disregard this expenditure just because it was thought that trustees wouldn't come forward. Cllr Iredale said that the PC would be doing the community a disservice because the tax benefits of a Charity were well established. Cllr Rutter said that the proposed CGR for Winchester Town meant that this was the wrong time to make these decisions. The Clerk pointed out that the PC's letter to WCC (C/24/095b) set out clearly that the PC did not support a full CGR for Kings Barton joining Winchester Town. Cllr Leone proposed that KBC and HWPC Cllrs should be invited to give their opinion on the appropriate vehicle. This was agreed.

Action: Clerk

KB/25/012 Kings Barton Bus

A proposed timetable had been circulated before the meeting. Cllr De Stefano commented that the costs would double if the bus went half hourly. Cllr Watters proposed that the morning run should be to the station only. Cllr De Stefano

said that 1800 had passengers used the bus so far. He noted that the timings could change with the improved roundabout and he would continue to liaise with HCC.

Action: Cllr De Stefano

KB/25/013 Community Matters

a. Newsletter

The Summer edition was due in June. It was agreed to include the recruitment of Community building trustees and transfer of Meadowside Park.

Action: Cllr Watters, Iredale and Clerk

b. Parish border with Winchester Town Forum

HWPC had written to WCC to ask if this could be taken up in the LGR proposals C/24/095b.

KB/25/014 Planning

a. New applications – there were none

b. To note recent decisions – there were none

c. To note decisions awaited – there were none

d. Enforcement – there was none

KB/25/015 Date of next meeting and matters for the Agenda

The next Kings Barton Committee meeting was to be held on the 19th MaY at Barton Farm Primary School

Matters for the agenda were agreed to be:

New play equipment at Greenfields Park

Bin collections

Meadowside park matting

Picnic table at Welhouse Woods.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

The Chair thanked the attendees.