KINGSMEAD
PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of Kingsmead Parish Council Parks and Environment Committee held on Monday 9th November 2026

Present: Cllr B Boylan, Cllr Herring (Chair), Cllr Reed, Cllr Swift
Also present: Mrs W Maddock (Clerk & RFO)
The meeting started at 7.31pm

144	**Apologies** Cllr Logan (work)
145	**Declarations of Interest** No declarations of interest were made.
146	**Public Forum** There were no members of public present.
147	**Maintenance & Landscaping** To receive updates from Countrywide and to approve any actions as appropriate.
147.1	***Noted*** – the October report, which detailed the contract works for the month. The committee noted the additional grass cut around the war memorial, which was completed ahead of the poppies being installed for Remembrance Sunday and thanked Countrywide for this work. **Resolved** – that Countrywide should be asked to improve the bedding displays, which the committee thought were sparse and not of good quality.
	To receive the latest tree inspection report and to consider next actions.
147.2	***Noted*** – the committee was pleased that the latest tree inspection report recognised the work done to complete all previous recommendations, which meant a much-reduced programme of works this year. **Resolved** – that quotes would be obtained for all recommended works, including the management recommendations.
	To consider a request for an additional bench in St George's field.
147.3	**Resolved** – to agree in principle to install an additional bench in SGF, which will be added to next years budget for installation in early spring.
	To consider installing a bin opposite the bridge from Headworth Close.
147.4	**Resolved** – to approve installing a new bin at a cost of £397.50 (plus VAT).
148	**Play Areas** To consider next actions regarding the vandalism at Kensington Way play area.
148.1	***Noted*** – the further vandalism at Kensington Way park, which most recently involved pulling out signs that had been concreted into the grass. **Resolved** – to repair the damage that has been done and to monitor the situation before any further action is taken.
	To review the latest play inspection reports and to consider any actions.
148.2	***Noted*** – that the latest quarterly inspection report has not yet been received, but ongoing routine monitoring is being carried out by nominated councillors. The play areas are generally in good condition.
149	**AOB** Items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. • To investigate installing a toddler swing at Pulford Close play area. • To review the performance of Cheshire Tree & Garden Care • To look at replacing the poppies used at Remembrance Sunday.

150	**Next Meetings**	Kingsmead Parish Council	Monday 16th November at 7.30pm in Kingsmead School
		Parks and Environment Committee	Monday 7th December at 7.30pm in Kingsmead School
		A full schedule of meetings can be found at: Council Meetings Schedule | Kingsmead Parish Council	

The meeting closed at 8.25pm

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