# Kingsteignton Town Council

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Mayor's Charities 2019/1920

DoitforDeaks

A project to end the stigma around mental health and suicide.

# 5 September, 2019

### To Members of Kingsteignton Town Council Recreation/Footpaths/The Fountain Committee

You are hereby summoned under the Local Government Act 1972 Sch. 12s.10 to attend the Recreation/Footpaths/The Fountain Committee of Kingsteignton Town Council in the MHS at the Community Hall on Wednesday 11 September, 2019 following the Community Hall Committee meeting for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Members of the public are invited to attend this meeting and may ask a question before the meeting with the Chairman's approval.

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**Town Clerk** 

#### RECREATION/FOOTPATHS/THE FOUNTAIN COMMITTEE

Chair: Councillor D Rollason Vice Chair: Councillor R Peart

Councillors: R Bovey, K Jones, A Khan, I Laws, R Peart, J Scagell, B Thorne, S Plummer

Ex Officio: Councillor: D Rollason (Mayor), B Austen (Dep Mayor)

A councillor not on a committee cannot take part or vote at a meeting but may be in attendance. With permission from the Chairman a question may be asked

#### AGENDA

RFF53/19 To accept apologies received by the Clerk

**RFF54/19** Declaration of Interest – Councillors are invited to declare any personal or prejudicial interest, including the nature and extent of such interest they have in any of the items to be considered this meeting. They are also reminded to consider whether in the light of recent activities any items within their Register of Interest should be updated.

RFF55/19 Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10 July, 2019

RFF56/19 History Boards, History Garden, Oakford Lawn - Update

RFF57/19 The Fountain

- Update on Official Opening day
- Update from Cllr Scagell on map/index to be displayed at The Fountain

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# RFF58/19 Clifford Park

- Update on installation of the Ramp and upgrade of the MUGA
- Update on the installation of the CCTV at Clifford Park
- Quotation from Elite Electrical for installation of 4 x pole mounted security lights at the same time as CCTV installed

RFF59/19 CCTV – installation of receiver on St Michaels Church Tower – Update

RFF60/19 History Garden – Update on progress with History Boards

RFF61/19 Oakford Lawn – update on: (Cllr Scagell)

- 8 benches to be repaired and varnished
- To remove or repair 2 x picnic tables which are damaged
- Sign to be placed on raised garden in History Garden asking members of the Public for ideas into planting
- Positioning of new litter bins
- NAST signs to be placed at entrance to Oakford Lawn and the History Garden
- New Tree Guards to be installed.

RFF62/19 Oakford Lawn – CCTV provision of protection collar around the CCTV – quote attached

**RFF63/19** To discuss installation of happy-to-chat benches to combat loneliness and crime against elderly – Information attached

RFF64/19 Bills for payment

RFF65/19 Correspondence

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday 9 October, 2019

## RFF63/19 To discuss installation of happy-to-chat benches to combat loneliness and crime against elderly

The Avon and Somerset Police Department set up "chat benches" in two local parks in southwest England meant to spark conversation between residents. The benches feature a friendly sign that reads, "Sit here if you don't mind someone stopping to say hello!"

According to the police department, 17% of elderly adults in the United Kingdom speak with friends, family and neighbors less than once a week. The police say infrequent contact with friendly faces can leave them more vulnerable to crimes targeting older people, like doorstep crime, fraud and online or telephone scams.

"The sign simply helps to break down the invisible social barriers that exists between strangers who find themselves sharing a common place," said Police Community Support Officer Tracey Grobbeler in a statement.

"Simply stopping to say 'hello' to someone at the Chat Bench could make a huge difference to the vulnerable people in our communities and help to make life a little better for them."

The police department launched the chat benches last month to show support for the United Nations' World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, which aims to reduce abuse against older people -- one of the least investigated types of violence, according to the UN.