



KINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

Category	Asset and location	Background	Maintenance Record	Action required
1. Building and Fixed Structures	Bus shelter at junction of The Street and Bonny Bush Hill. OS Grid Ref TR 62011514	Lower walls of brick, upper construction of timber, tiled roof. Re-built in 2004 Valued at £5,000 in 2002	Re-treated during summer 2023. Ronseal Fence Life (<i>Red Cedar</i>)	Annual check Recoat summer 2024
	Bus shelter , Covet Lane, near Black Robin. Supplier – Littlethorpe, Leics OS Grid Ref TR 62021513	Purchased in 2010 at cost of £6407, (inc KCC grant for £2,000.	Cleaning to remove dirt. Sikkens Filter7 (<i>006 Light Oak</i>)	Annual check Probable recoat required in 2024
	KPC Noticeboard outside The Barn. Kiln dried oak, toughened glass doors	Constructed locally in 2012 at cost of £600. Name plate added in 2013 at cost of £53. Cork tiles added in 2015	Replacement of glass during August 2019. Doors also rehung. Revarnished and minor repair 2023. Saddolin Clear (5yr life)	Annual check
	Noticeboard on bus shelter The Street	Oak frame, plywood back. Purchased 2015 at cost of £280	Sanded down and stained 2023 Ronseal Clear Varnish	Annual check Cork backing will need renewing soon.
	Noticeboard on bus shelter, Covet Lane	Purchased 2015 at cost of £240	None as yet	Annual check Probable recoat required in 2024
	Noticeboard at Greenacre	Originally purchased by Village Society. Oak frame.	Revarnished in 2023 Saddolin Extra Durable Wood stain (<i>Natural</i>).	Annual check and clean
	Wooden gate at western end of Faggs Alley	Replacement of older gate in 2018. Pressure treated timber. Cost of gate £70, labour £210.	Timber treated with Saddolin Clear in August 2019	Annual check

	3 sets of railings / steps on railway embankment	Metal railings, painted green, constructed 2012 at cost £4,000. Wooden risers and site pegs.	Ongoing replacement of steps when rotted (spare wood in Little Barn).	Annual safety check especially of steps.
	3 Village signs (Kingston Brooch), one in The Street, one on Valley Road, and one in The Barn	Stained oak uprights, brooch emblem of fibreglass. Valued at £4000 approx in 2002	1 Repaired and repainted 2024	Annual check on condition
	Wooden finger post in The Street opposite entrance to Church Lane	Purchased in 2005 at cost of £240	New post replaced and re cemented in 2023	Annual check
2. Land requiring maintenance	Bus shelter 'triangle' , at junction of The Street and valley Road	Came into being in early C20th, originally had a seat, replaced by bus shelter. Large boulders to prevent over-run by lorries	Regular mowing under local contract	Cost to KPC
	Verges from bottom of The Street up as far as the Millennium Bridge	On LH side backed by open field on RH side by hedge. RH side is landowner's responsibility. Two 30mph signs also sited on verges.	Regular mowing under local contract. Occasional cutting back of straggly growth.	Cost to KPC
	Land alongside Nailbourne Close with The Street	Responsibility for land and vegetation not clear. Steep bank alongside The Street, topped by silver birch trees.	Major cut back of trees and vegetation done in 2022.	Frequent checks of bank for overgrown weeds and trees. Cut as required.
	Rectangular plot at junction of The Street with Greenacre, in front of electricity sub-station. Also contains Greenacre notice-board	Possibly public ownership, but planted with ground cover shrubs and some trees by KPC in 2002. Weed-inhibiting membrane +bark cover.	Some tree work removing broken branches when required. Some cutting back of spreading shrubs by neighbours	Needs regular maintenance.
	Hedges alongside laybys in Church Lane	Hedges are backed by field between Church Lane and railway embankment (privately owned)	Periodic hedge-cutting to reduce over-hang. Land-owner's responsibility?	Need regular maintenance
	Small area of land near the Black Robin, between Valley Road and Nailbourne. Known locally as 'Black Robin scrub'.	Probably came into existence when new culvert constructed under the road and river course slightly re-aligned.	Became so overgrown as to interfere with sight lines round Black Robin corner, and hence a traffic hazard. Cut back in 2022.	Annual check on extent of re-growth. Costs shared with Black Robin?

3. Trees	2 on 'bus shelter triangle'	2 Trees planted, oak and maple. When?	Tree work done recently.	Yearly check on growth. Cut as necessary.
	4-5 approx at Greenacre junction	(See entry above)	Trees cut back in 2022.	Yearly check on growth
	Railway embankment	Purchased by KPC in 2005, long-term project to enhance tree quality	New trees planted to replace low-quality trees.	Needs regular maintenance programme – eg 3 cuts per year.