



**Minutes of Cookhill Parish Land meeting held on  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 7pm at Cookhill Village Hall.**

**Present:** Councillors R. Pinfield (Chairman), A. Sumner (Vice-Chair), M. Churchill, T. Bennett, T. Draper & V. Gupta

**In Attendance:** Chairman of the Allotment Association – Mr David Claydon  
Clerk Kate Brazier

The Chairman asked the members of the public if there were any items that they were concerned with on the agenda and if they wished to comment before the meeting officially opened but he would also close the meeting for public discussion if necessary.

**L17.006 Apologies** None

**L17.007 Declaration of Interest**

- a) Register of Interests. Members were reminded of the need to update their Register entry.
- b) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests: none.
- c) Other Disclosable Interests: none.

**L17.008 General matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Allotments**

- a) Report from Clerk – None
- b) Report from Chairman – None
- c) Report from Allotment Association Chairman –
  - Mr. Claydon reported that the site and plots are looking neat and tidy despite the recent weather conditions. There had been some damage in the wind, but nothing structural. David advised that following new regulations certain professional, industrial weed-killers are no longer permitted to be used without a permit and the necessary training.
  - Plot renumbering – A provisional renumbering of the plot is underway and will be finished by September.
  - Locks – Some of the locks around the site are showing signs of wear and stiffness. Replacements will need to be sourced before the end of the season.
  - Dog Waste Bag Dispenser – The new dispenser has now been installed and is being well used by most.
  - Water – No problems reported.
  - Footpath maintenance – The footpath from the Affordable Housing to the Allotments has now been trimmed, weed-killer has not been used here due to the samplings.
  - Car park – Extension work is to be carried out on the car park and is due to commence in the late summer. Land will be taken from a vacant, large plot to complete the works. The purchase of rabbit proof wire from Richardson's of Feckenham and hard core (quote previously sought from SE Davis) to carry out the necessary works was agreed.
- d) **Land Deposits** – When tenants sign their agreements a refundable deposit of £20 per plot is paid to the Parish Council. When the plot is vacated the deposit is refunded but this is dependent on the plot being left in good working order and ready for a new person to take over. Following some plots being vacated at the beginning of the season it was proposed that the land deposits on these be refunded to the Allotment Association instead as the land will need considerable work before it can be leased to new tenants. This was agreed unanimously.
- e) Available plots – Only plot 17 is now available.

**L17.009 General Matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Fields.**

- a) **Chairman's Report** – Access to the footpath at the bottom of the fields is being dealt with by the Parish Paths Warden and County.

**L17.010 To confirm** the date of the next Parish Council land meeting:

- o **Site Inspection** is Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017
- o **Land Meeting** is Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 7.17pm

**Signed Chairman**

**Dated**