



**Minutes of Cookhill Parish Land meeting held on  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7pm at Cookhill Village Hall.**

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

**In Attendance:** Chairman of the Allotment Association – Mr David Claydon  
1 member of the public  
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.

**L17.011 Apologies** Cllr Bennett, Cllr Davis & Cllr Draper

**L17.012 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.

**L17.013 General matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Allotments**

- a) Report from Chairman
  - Thanks were extended to Mr Stuart Cook on behalf of the Parish Council for his hard work in extending the allotment car park.
- b) Report from Allotment Association Chairman
  - Mr Claydon reported that the site was looking tidy after the summer with most tenants keeping the weeds under control! The crops have been good this year with tenants sharing produce with each other.
  - All the plots are now taken and there is a waiting list for people awaiting plots.
  - Car Park Extensions – the work to extend the car park is now complete and the allotment association thanked Mr Cook for his hard work and expertise. This extension has created extra spaces without blocking access to the site. The budget was maintained apart from an extra £44.40 needed for rabbit-proof wire.
  - Luncheon Club – Mr Claydon reported that the Allotment Committee occasionally provides the Luncheon Club with surplus produce grown on site.
  - New hedge – The hedge planted by Ridgeway Meadows is growing well.
- c) Re-numbering of plots – The committee plan to re-number the site from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018. This will make the site more organized. Mr Mullett, one of the tenants, has offered to make some wooden signs to be erected on each plot.
- d) Servicing of strimmers and equipment – The strimmers and equipment will not require servicing this year as they have not had much use this year. The diesel will be removed over the winter.
- e) Weed-killing – Cllr Pinfield advised Mr Claydon that the Lengthsman's son has undertaken the relevant training to carry out weed killing and is happy to carry out any work required at the allotments. The committee to advise the clerk.
- f) Fruit trees on site – The Chairman advised that there are over 90 fruit trees on site, 5 of which were purchased by the Allotment Association.
- g) Removal of shed – Mr Claydon advised the Parish Council that he has had a request from the tenant on Plot 1B to remove the shed from his plot and replace it with a greenhouse/shed combination. He said that he did not have any objections to the proposal providing the new build is neat and tidy. This was agreed unanimously by the Councillors.

**L17.014 General Matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Fields.**

- a) **Chairman's Report** – No issues to report. The invoices will be going out for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year shortly. Mr Cook advised that he would not be pursuing the planning application for a replacement shed on his field.

**L17.015 To confirm** the date of the next Parish Council land meeting:

- **Site Inspection** is Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018
- **Land Meeting** is Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018

The meeting closed at 7.24pm

**Signed Chairman**

**Dated**