



**Minutes of Cookhill Parish Land meeting held on
Tuesday 12th June 2018 at 7pm at Cookhill Village Hall.**

Present: Councillors R. Pinfield (Chairman), A. Sumner (Vice-Chair), M. Churchill, T. Draper & P. Davis.

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.

L18.006 Apologies Cllrs Gupta & Bennett, County Cllr Hopkins, District Cllr Wilkinson & Mr T. Mitchell

L18.007 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.

L18.008 General matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Allotments

a) Report from Allotment Association Chairman

- After a difficult winter and spring most tenants are now caught up. Tenants of untidy plots will be spoken to. Plots are not to be left unattended from one season to the next.
- **New tenants** – Lost 2 but gained 2 replacements. No waiting list at present.
- **Thefts** – There were some thefts from sheds in April, various small tools. The security lights on the site were destroyed during the raid. Locks on the container have been upgraded. Tenants were reminded not to leave expensive equipment on the site. The intruders left the gates open resulting in a family of rabbits on the site. These are being dealt with before they cause too much damage to crops!
- **Rotavator** – The PC funded rotavator has been a great success and is being well used. 5 tenants have been trained to use it. The committee thanks the Parish Council.
- **On-site Toilet** – This has now been repaired by Andy Loos.
- **Weed Killing** – Carried out by the Lengthsman, avoiding crops already growing.
- **Grass Cutting on Site** – This is being carried out by Mr Cook. The committee are considering the possibility of a ride on mower for use on site in the future.

b) Rental Increases

The tenant of fields 85 North and South & Fields 98, 99/11 has been issued with the Section 5 notice relating to his tenancy agreement, as specified by law, this is a formality to advise of the termination of the current tenancy, on 31st March 2019. The tenancy agreement and rent will be reviewed at the September Land Meeting in line with inflation and the current land valuation, received from Mr Abbey at John Earle. The rental increase will take effect from April 2019 when the new tenancy agreement comes into force.

L18.009 General Matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Fields.

a) Chairman's Report

- **Locks** – The search continues for suitable locks for the allotments. Cllr Davis agreed to price these up.

L18.010 To confirm the date of the next Parish Council land meeting:

- **Site Inspection** is Sunday 9th September 2018
- **Land Meeting** is Tuesday 11th September 2018 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 7:25pm

Signed Chairman

Dated