

## Minutes of Cookhill Parish Land meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7pm at Cookhill Village Hall.

Present: Councillors R. Pinfield (Chairman), A. Sumner (Vice-Chair), M. Churchill, C. Hamilton

In Attendance: Chairman of the Allotment Association – Mr David Claydon

Clerk Kate Brazier 1 member of the public

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.

L19.011 Apologies - Cllr Bennett, Cllr Gupta & Cllr Davis

#### L19.012 Declaration of Interest

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

#### L19.013 General matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Allotments

## a) Report from Allotment Association Chairman

- Overview There are now 25 tenants with a recent vacancy. There may be further changes as the end of the season approaches. Plot 28 has a small orchard at the bottom and when it becomes vacant the Association intend to take the orchard for the use of the other tenants, making the plot smaller and more manageable.
- Fencing Repairs The recent fencing repairs look good, with Mr Snape to return to the site to replace a loose post at plot 1.
- Hedge & Grass-cutting This will soon be completed by Mr Cook and the Parish Council will receive invoice before
  the October meeting.
- Burning Plot The implementation of the burning plot has been a huge success, stopping multiple bonfires across the site.
- b) Public Liability Insurance Following information that lots of Allotment Associations across the country have started taking out Public Liability for their sites David carried out extensive research into the best insurance for the Cookhill Allotment site. It was agreed that insurance that covered the tenant, and anyone visiting them, on their plot and also elsewhere on site. It was proposed and approved to go ahead with Shield Insurance, the company used by other associations. All in favour.
- c) Strimmers It was proposed that a strimmer be purchased for use on the allotment site. All in favour.

## L19.014 General Matters relating to Cookhill Parish Council Fields.

- a) Chairman's Report
  - Noticeboards -
  - Allotment Trophies The winners will be awarded at the Allotment Association AGM on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.
  - Footpath behind Ridgeway Meadows The footpath access is to be maintained behind Ridgeway Meadows.
  - Footpath signage Signage asking walkers to keep to the footpath and to keep dogs under control at all
    times to be reinstated along the footpaths. New signage required. It is important that walkers keep to the
    official footpaths. The Parish Path's Warden will look at the signs needed.

# **L19.015 To confirm** the date of the next Parish Council land meeting:

- Site Inspection is Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- Land Meeting is Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 7.25pm

Signed Chairman Dated