

Gainsborough Town Council

Notes for the Allotments Committee Meeting

Held Tuesday 13th December 2005 at Gainsborough House



Present

The Mayor Cllr. S. Jupp, Cllrs. WSR. Parry, T. Davies, R. Hesse-Phillipson, JS. Morley, G. Bardsley with Allotment Secretaries F Holmes and A Cowan.

In Attendance

The Clerk P.R. Leeder & Assistant Clerk R.C. Allbones

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr P. O'Connor
Cllr. S. South
Secretary John Stanham

2. Declaration's of Interest

Cllr. WSR Parry – Spital Hill Allotments

3. Approval of Minutes

The Notes of the last meeting held Tuesday 14th June 2005 were agreed, approved as the minutes and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Mrs A. Cowan, seconded by Cllr. S. Jupp.

4. Spital Hill Allotment

Mr Nicholson wasn't in attendance at the meeting so this item will be forwarded to the next meeting. The Clerk did however inform the Committee that we have appointed a Recreational Officer due to start in the new year and part of his job will be grass cutting on all allotment sites.

5. Allotment Management Matters Arising

Showfields Allotments

Mrs A Cowan had managed to purchase a second hand pump for the allotments holders which they are all very pleased with.

Mrs Cowan had cleared the two plots that were overgrown and untidy and have since been let. Since purchasing some rat poison their rat problem had calmed down.

North Warren Allotments

Not in attendance.

Foxby Hill Allotments

Mr Holmes expressed his concern regards the recent break-ins of the sheds on the allotments. There had been a few misunderstandings with the Police and crimes had gone unreported. The Clerk advised that there is a Police Partnership Working Group meeting in January and they would put the matter to the Inspector then, but in due course the Clerk would contact the Police to make sure they have all the full details of the crimes.

Mr Holmes informed the Committee that he had had property from another plot holder left to him but wanted to know if it was rightly his. The Clerk informed the Committee that he will seek legal advice from their Solicitor.

Mr Holmes asked if it would be possible to have some 4' fencing along the side of the allotments. The Clerk informed Mr Holmes that there has been money put in the precept for fencing on the allotments and if Council approved the Precept then he would proceed and get some quotes.

Mr Holmes also informed the Committee of the piles of rubbish that had been collected and dumped in one area on the allotments and previously Council provided skips for the allotments once a year but stopped due to cost. Cllr. S. Jupp proposed a skip was provided to the allotments as and when needed, seconded by Cllr. JS. Morley. Carried.

Love Lane Allotments

Not in attendance.

Spital Hill Allotments

Not in attendance.

Signed.....Chairman.....