

Wigginton Parish Council

The Old School Community Hall, Mill Lane, Wigginton, York YO32 2PU

Draft Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council's Environment Committee held at 1130 hours on Tuesday 17th February 2015 in the John Jeffery Room at the Old School, Wigginton.

E14/26 Present

Cllrs Douglas (Chair), Denton, Fisher, Jeffery and Vaughan

E14/27 In Attendance

The Clerk

E14/28 Apologies for Absence

None

E14/29 Declarations of Interest

None

E14/30 Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 03.10.14 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

E14/31 Matters arising

a) Allotment hedgerow height

The clerk informed members that the hedgerow has now been cut and a height review will be carried out periodically to avoid over growth.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted.

b) Westfield Lane/Beck

The clerk informed members that the project has been postponed until the springtime.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted

c) Village Winter Planting

The clerk informed members that the winter planting had been successfully carried out.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted

E14/32 To receive a report in respect of the village pond

The clerk informed members that there is a problem with subsidence in a garden to the rear of the village pond. This has been investigated but it is unclear at this stage as to responsibility.

RESOLVED that a survey be carried out by a suitably qualified surveyor to understand the extent of any issues and that a meeting be arranged with a legal advisor in respect of ownership and responsibilities.

E14/33 Allotment lettings

The clerk informed members that an allotment holder has recently given up his allotment which has now been re-let. There are 14 local residents currently on the waiting list. All invoices for 2015-16 have been sent to allotment holders, payment being due on 01.04.15.

E14/34 Obstructed allotment access

The clerk informed members that during the recent hedgerow cutting exercise it was noted that access on the allotment internal footpath has been obstructed by the tenant of allotment 9a. It was noted that the internal footpath should be maintained open in both directions for access and maintenance purposes.

RESOLVED that the clerk corresponds with allotment holder 9A and instruct him that the footpath must be reopened and remain unobstructed.

E14/35 Village Summer Planting

The clerk informed members that the summer planting will be carried out on Thursday 28th May 2015. It is anticipated that the planting out will be carried out with the assistance of business volunteers being arranged on behalf of the Parish Council with Iain Dunn of City of York Council. It was also noted that the planting out will be undertaken jointly with Haxby Town Council.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted.

E14/036 Grass cutting tenders

The clerk informed members that he has received replies from the three contractors invited to tender. These were given to the Chairman to open. The tender prices were quite varied and one was incomplete.

RESOLVED that the clerk contacts the contractor with incomplete information to discuss the matter. The tenders will be reviewed again when the matter has been resolved.

E14/037 Other business not requiring notice

None

E14/038 Date and time of next meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Environment Committee will be advised by the Parish Clerk.

NB: These minutes are unconfirmed and subject to confirmation at the next meeting of the Environment Committee.