

Wigginton Parish Council

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

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council's Environment Committee held at 10.30 on Thursday 8th May 2014 in the John Jeffery Room at the Old School, Wigginton.

E13/66 Present

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

E13/67 In Attendance

The Clerk

E13/68 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Firth and Jeffery

E13/69 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Denton and Vaughan declared an interest in the allotments.

Cllrs Denton and Fisher declared an interest in Willow Garth.

E13/70 Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 20.02.14 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

E13/71 Matters arising

a. Parish Council Notice Boards

The Clerk informed members that the new Parish Council Minute Notice Board has now been erected at the corner of Westfield Lane.

b. Boundary Issue

The clerk informed members that the resident does not accept that the matter is closed. He has been advised that unless he can produce evidence to support his claim then the matter is closed. Members agreed that this should be reiterated to the resident.

c. Allotment hedgerow height

The clerk informed members that the hedgerow height is considered to be too high at allotments 7a to 10b inclusive. It was agreed that the allotment holders and the residents from 9 to 35 Burrill Drive be consulted and their views obtained before any action is taken.

The clerk will also obtain quotations for the height reduction.

d. Willow Garth

Cllr Denton confirmed that the Willow Garth work was now completed, although additional grass seeding may be necessary. The clerk reminded

members that signs indicating No Ball Games or Loitering have not been placed in the area.

RESOLVED that the matters be noted and actioned accordingly.

E13/72 Allotments.

The clerk informed members that the allotment waiting list was now at 16 and that all allotments had been let. All rent due for 2014-15 has been paid.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted.

E13/73 To consider a request to erect a shed on Allotment no.1

The clerk informed members that he has received a request from the allotment holders of no 1 allotment, to erect a shed behind the existing poly tunnel. This will not be viewed by the neighbour in Westfield grove due to the position of their garage.

RESOLVED that the allotment holder be advised that a shed not greater than 6feet x 4feet may be erected out of view of the residents.

E13/74 To consider a residents request for paid litter picking duties

The clerk informed members that he has received a residents request to carry out litter picking in the village as a paid duty. The matter has been considered by the Finance Committee at its meeting held on 28th April 2014 and they advised that no further employees are to be engaged and that should this work be necessary then the person should act in a self employed capacity only when requested by the Parish Council.

RESOLVED that the resident be informed that the Parish Council will continue to use contractors and Volunteers for this work.

E13/75 Matters not requiring notice.

a) Westfield Grove

Cllr Denton informed members that the area on the corner of Westfield Lane/Mill Lane is in poor condition and suggested that after a clean-up, ground sheets be put down and be covered in wood bark.

RESOLVED that the proposal be discussed with a local contractor and costed.

b) Footpath Hedgerow

Cllr Vaughan raised the matter of overgrown hedgerow affecting pedestrians on Green Dyke.

RESOLVED that the resident concerned will be contacted.

Date and time of next meeting

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

Signed.....Date.....