

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 1530 on Monday 11th September 2017 in the John Jeffery Room at the Old School, Wigginton.

E17/012 Present

Cllrs. Denton, Fisher and Jeffery.

In the absence of the Chairman Cllr Denton was nominated to take the chair.

E17/013 Apologies

Cllr Firth, Spence and Vaughan

E 17/014 In Attendance

The Clerk

E17/015 Declarations of Interest

None

E17/016 Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 05.06.17 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

E17/017 Matters arising

1) Allotment division fences

The Clerk informed members that the division fences have been completed.

2) Allotment conditions

The Clerk informed members that problems remain with allotment 3a and that allotments 10a and b do not appear to be actively being cultivated. Members were informed that allotment 10b tenant may be ill, it was agreed to investigate this. The tenant of 10a will be contacted to discuss the situation.

3) Greenshaw Drive/Church Lane access verge.

The clerk informed members that the work to create a hard surface will commence on 13.09.17 and be completed by 14/09/17. There will be limited access and the area will be left safe overnight.

4) Snicket upkeep

The clerk informed members that this is now ongoing and will continue.

Members noted that the overhanging holly bush at the entrance to Butts Stead from The Village is very low and creates a dark entrance. This will be investigated and actioned.

5) Hedge Cutting

The clerk informed members that phase one of the hedge cutting has been completed. Members feel that one cut per year is sufficient. This will be relayed to the hedge cutting contractor.

It was noted that there is a significant overhang of some trees in Church Lane which may affect tractor access. This will be investigated and actioned.

6) Old school Car Park repairs

The clerk informed members that minor repairs have recently been carried out but it is likely that more extensive work may become necessary in the near future.

RESOLVED that the matters be noted and actioned accordingly.

E 17/018 Tree management

The Clerk informed members that emergency tree work was required at Church Lane resulting in the temporary closure of the dog walk. The incident involved an ash tree section falling across the dog field access gate. The matter was resolved within 5 hours of the occurrence by Yorkshire Tree Surgeons Ltd.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted.

E 17/019 Allotments

The clerk informed members that all allotments are now let and there is a waiting list of 20.

It was noted that the allotment 3a-6a access gate requires repairs.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted and action accordingly.

E 17/020 Footpath edging

The Clerk informed members that he has obtained a quotation for the edging of footpaths in Mill Lane/Westfield Lane. This is a winter/spring type project and is costed at £ 200.00. A likely total cost (this is time dependent) will be in the region of £1500.00/2000.00. Members were agreed that this would enhance the village appearance and should be referred to the Parish Council for support and decision.

RESOLVED that the work be advised to the Parish Council with a recommendation that the work be undertaken.

E17/021 Date and time of next meeting

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting of the Environment Committee will be arranged for Tuesday 28th November 2017 commencing at 3.30pm.

NB These minutes are unconfirmed and subject to confirmation of the next meeting of the Planning Committee.