

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 1400 on Thursday 26th July 2018 in the John Jeffery Room at the Old School, Wigginton.

E18/012 Present

Cllrs. Vaughan Chairman, Denton, Fisher and Jeffery.

E18/013 Apologies

Cllr P Firth

E 18/014 In Attendance

The Clerk

E18/015 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Denton in respect of Minute 18/018.

E18/016 Planning Application

Due to an application being inadvertently omitted from the Parish Council meeting held on 17.07.18 the committee considered an application 18/01310/FUL. 2, Townend Gardens, Wigginton, York. YO32 2PF. Single storey rear extension and extended porch to front.

RESOLVED 'B' We have no objections.

E18/017 Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 22.05.18 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

E18/018 Matters arising

1) Allotment Hedgerow

The Clerk informed members that he has now received three (3) quotations to undertake the hedgerow removal. The matter has been discussed with City of York Tree Officer D Calvert who advises that the work should not be carried out during the bird nesting season, best start date would be October. Members considered the quotations and accepted that received from P H Dobson who will provide a split on the quotation to reflect tree removal and installation of fencing as separate costs. It was agreed that residents in Burrill Drive whose properties back on to allotments 7a to 10b will be informed of the removal as a matter of courtesy. Allotment holders 7a to 10b will be informed also. The work will be carried out at the beginning of October 2018.

2) Pond repairs

The Clerk informed members that he has received 2 of 3 quotations requested. He also informed members that he discussed the pond edging proposals with the City of York Councils Common Land Officer who has no objections to the proposal. Members agreed that the matter be deferred until the third quotation is received. When three (3) quotations are to hand the Clerk will convene a Parish Council meeting to discuss the funding of the project, which members of the Environment Committee recommend be carried out.

RESOLVED that the matters be noted and progress accordingly.

E 18/019 Local Residents Complaint regarding Allotment issues affecting her property

The Clerk informed members that he has received a complaint in respect of allotment 7A and the effect of a lack of cultivation affecting her property on Mill Lane. An inspection was carried out and members agreed that the affected car park area be weed sprayed, the hedgerow cut as part of the annual maintenance of the hedgerow and that the allotment holder be advised to attend to his allotment within 8 weeks to a satisfactory standard, failure to do so will result in the Parish Council reconsidering the tenancy.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted and be acted on accordingly.

E 18/020 Allotment lettings

The clerk informed members that all allotments are now let and that there is now a waiting list of 23.

RESOLVED that the matter be noted.

E 18/021 Tree Survey Report

The Clerk informed members that a village tree survey has been carried out at the St Nicholas Church Yard, The Pond Area, Churchfield Open Space, Church Lane and Wigginton Sports and Playing Field. The report indicates low risk maintenance is required and quotations have been obtained for the rectification work. Appropriate extracts of the report have been circulated to the groups concerned.

RESOLVED that the work be undertaken as quoted by Yorkshire Tree Surgeons.

E 18/022 Date and time of next meeting

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting of the Environment Committee will be held on Wednesday 10th October 2018 commencing at 1530 hours immediately following the Finance Committee meeting.

E 18/023 Other business

a) Village Garth

The Clerk informed members that minor works are required at Village Garth which can be financed from S 106 reserves. A quotation has been obtained for the work.

b) Gullies

The Clerk informed members that City of York Councillor and Parish Councillor John Gates has now raised issues about gully cleaning and frequency with City of York's Officers. We are however awaiting the response.

RESOLVED that the matters be noted and actioned accordingly.

c) Hedge cutting

Cllr Jeffery asked when the hedgerow will be cut. The Clerk will arrange for this to be carried out immediately.

RESOLVED that the matters be noted and acted upon accordingly.

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