

Minutes of **Allotment Advisory Committee** held on Monday **18th February 2013** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), J R Walker, Mrs J Briggs, M Proctor, J England & T Foster; Mr P Chapman, Mr M May & Mr R Ross and the Clerk.

390. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillor J Mountain and Mr M Walker

391. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None received

392. MINUTES OF MEETING 17TH December 2012

The minutes were circulated to all members prior to this meeting. They were agreed to be a true record. Approved by Parish Council Min Ref. 1050/131 14th January 2013.

393. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 384b Rules Amendment

The Clerk advised members of the new Rule 31 regarding the burning of garden waste. The wording was approved and it was agreed that all tenants be given a copy at rent collection.

b) Min 385b Allotment 42aa

The Clerk reported that she had been in contact with the tenant, Mr Burr, with regard to relinquishing part of his allotment due to his change in circumstances. He had advised that he would give it consideration.

394. CORRESPONDENCE

a) RHS Newsletter

b) Messingham Scouts – for information only with regard to building an extension to the Scout/Guide store and removing the container. There were no objections from the members present.

395. ALLOTMENT TENANCY TERMINATIONS

a) Allotment 11f - Mrs N Pitchfork

b) Allotment 58a – Mr W Benson. Agreed that this would not be re-let but used as access for B Ross.

c) Allotments 52a & 53a – B Ross

396. ALLOTMENT TENANCY APPLICATIONS

Mr R King, 19 Gelderbeck Road. APPROVED

397. ALLOTMENT ALLOCATIONS

a) Allotment 11f – Ms A Chapman

b) Allotment 52a – Mr R King

398. ALLOTMENTS INSPECTION REPORT

The Clerk reported that Mr M Walker had advised that due to the prolonged wet weather conditions that no action is taken on any tenants at this time.

a) Allotments to be monitored: 42aa/42b – Mr M Burr; 44a Mr Ingledew;

b) 4b – Mr Ancliffe- manure being trampled onto road – Councillor Foster agreed to have a word.

399. OTHER BUSINESS

a) 2013/14 Expenses

The Clerk provided a summary of expenses incurred during 2012/13 which amounted to a total of £329.74 for hedging & dyking and water. It was agreed that the expenses for garden tenants for 2013/14 to be £4.50 per plot and £2.00 per smallholding plot.

b) Rent Review

After discussion it was agreed that the rents remain the same.

c) Allotment Holders Annual Meeting

It was agreed to hold this meeting , as last year, on rent collection day – Wednesday 10th April.

d) West View Entrance

Councillor Walker reported that there are a number of gaps in the hedge bordering Green's farm.
It was agreed to obtain permission from Miss Green to plant the gaps with hawthorn hedging.

MEETING CLOSED 7.40pm