

**Minutes of the Allotment Committee Meeting held on
Monday 21st December 2020 at 7.30 pm Conducted Online Via Zoom**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cllr Smith (Chairman), Cllr Ellicott (V. Chairman), Cllr Edwards, Cllr Wilson, Cllr Funnell, Miss French and Mr Banks.

OFFICER PRESENT

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT

None

- 1. Enquire whether anyone present intends to film, photograph and/or record the meeting**
No-one present intended to film, photograph and/or record the meeting.

- 2. To receive and approve apologies for absence**
None

- 3. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**
Cllr Ellicott, Cllr Smith, Cllr Wilson, Mr Banks and Miss French have allotment plots.

- 4. Declarations of Lobbying**
All Cllrs were lobbied on the matter to be discussed

- 5. Minutes of the meeting held on 9th December 2020**
These were agreed, and it was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman signed them as a true record

- 6. Open session for questions from the public**
There were none.

- 7. To Consider Response to an Appeal**
An appeal was received by a tenant who had received a letter to quit due to wilful damage of trees along boundary of allotment site. Letters of support on behalf of plot holder also received. It was thought, by some members of the Committee, that he had signed the TA and therefore should have known what he did was not acceptable. Cllrs discussed various options – a) letting termination stand b) requesting that he replaced trees and forfeit plot but allowed to be put on the bottom of the waiting list c) Writes a letter of apology to the Cllrs and to the WhatsApp group (having posted misinformation, causing upset to the Cllrs and the Clerk) and paying for and planting replacement trees, to be chosen by the Cllrs, for the two that he had removed from the boundary. It was eventually agreed by 4 out of 5 Cllrs to accept the third option, C). Cllr Funnell did not agree to this motion.

It was also agreed that the members would stand by their previous decision and not allow the plot holder to have a gate between his own garden and the allotment site.

Meeting Closed at 20.00

..... **Chairman**

Dated